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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

15th June 1880, No. 3748.

Accommodation and Quarters—Office.

Read the following papers :—

No. 245. *From Surgeon-General Sir A. D. HOME, v.c., R.C.B., Army Medical Department, to Colonel H. N. D. PRENDERGAST, v.c., C.B., R.E., Acting Secretary to Government, Military Department, Ootacamund; dated Fort St. George, 13th May 1880, No. 189-80.*

Having learned that the building in the Fort lately vacated by the Examiner of Public Works Accounts is deemed unsuitable for officers' quarters, I have the honor to request that His Grace the Governor in Council will be so good as to sanction its being handed over as office rooms for the Surgeon-General, Army Medical Department.

2. The rooms presently occupied are unfortunately situated, as they have close on the one side the married quarters of the European regiment in the Fort, and on the other those of the Director of the band. The noises which invade the office all day long are therefore very disagreeable and distracting, and render it, at times, almost impossible to carry on any serious work.

3. It may further be mentioned that the present office is so surrounded with other buildings, that a breeze can scarcely ever enter it, and that it is consequently excessively hot and not so well ventilated as is desirable.

No. 3121.

Referred to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

(By Order.)

OOTACAMUND,
17th May 1880.

(Signed) H. N. D. PRENDERGAST, Colonel, R.E.,
Acting Secretary to Government.

No. 246. *From Brigadier-General H. O'CONNELL, Quartermaster-General, to Colonel H. N. D. PRENDERGAST, v.c., C.B., R.E., Acting Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Ootacamund, 20th May 1880, No. 238.*

In returning letter from the Surgeon-General, Army Medical Department, referred to the Commander-in-Chief under your No. 3121, dated 17th instant, I have the honor, by order, to state that Sir Neville Chamberlain agrees that the present office of the Surgeon-General is unsuitable and not such as an officer in his position is fairly entitled to, or in which he can be expected to carry on his duties with comfort.

2. His Excellency, therefore, recommends that the building lately vacated by the office of the Examiner of Public Works Accounts be appropriated as an office for the Surgeon-General, Army Medical Department. This will reduce the number of officers' quarters in the Fort, but that is a matter that can be considered hereafter.

No. 247. *Memorandum from Brigadier-General H. O'CONNELL, Quartermaster-General, to Colonel J. MICHAEL, C.S.I., Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Ootacamund, 3rd June 1880, No. 354.*

Forwarded for the information of Government, with reference to memorandum, No. 3213, dated 22nd May 1880, from the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

2. The back room mentioned in para. 3 is the room that the Accountant-General wishes to have transferred to his office. (See O.G., Public Works Department, 12th June 1879, No. 1580-W, Military Department No. 3437.) As it is not required by the Surgeon-General, His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief recommends that it be handed over to the Accountant-General.

From Surgeon-General Sir A. D. HOME, V.C., K.C.B., Army Medical Department, to the Quartermaster-General, Ootacamund; dated Fort St. George, 28th May 1880, No. 205-80.

In reply to your No. 286-4279, of 26th May 1880, I have the honor to report to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief that the rooms lately occupied by the Examiner of Public Works Accounts have been examined and found suitable in every respect as an office for the Surgeon-General, Army Medical Department.

2. The expense connected with the transfer will be trifling, as it will merely involve the putting up of a few punkah wheels, the re-arrangement of a few punkahs and the cost of moving furniture and records.

3. There will be no objection to handing over the back room on the ground floor to the Accountant-General as suggested.

No. 248.

ORDER THEREON, 15th June 1880, No. 3748.

The use of the rooms referred to may be granted as requested, pending the return of a British regiment to Fort St. George.

(True Extract.)

J. A. Davis

For Secretary to Government,
Military Department.

To the Surgeon-General, Her Majesty's Forces in Madras.
" Quartermaster-General.
" Public Works Department.
" Accountant-General.

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To

THE SURGEON-GENERAL,
HER MAJESTY'S FORCES

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IN MADRAS

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Dated June, 15th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 13th June 1880, No. 8748.

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Nos. 215-248.

Sanctioning the use of the building lately vacated by the office of the Examiner of Public Works Accounts as an office for the Surgeon-General, Her Majesty's Forces in Madras, and also the transfer of the back room on the ground floor to the Accountant-General.

No. 14454 of 24th June 80

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