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to the Supt. of Works
Presidency who will estimate
for the work approved
in these orders.

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Govt. of (1881) Madras.
MILITARY.

To
THE SURGEON-GENERAL WITH
THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
&c., &c., &c.

Dated February, 1st.

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G.O., 1st February 1881, No. 588

FEBRUARY.
Nos. 5-8.

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General with the Government of Madras for the
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Store Depot, and communicating to the Judicial
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Supt. of Works, Presy.

[For Heads of Departments only.]

Circular No. I Public Works.
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
ACCOUNT.
General.

Fort William, January 19, 1881.

Copy of the following forwarded to the Local Governments and Administrations and Officers noted in the margin for information and guidance, in continuation of Public Works Department Circular No. XXII P. W., dated 1st July 1880.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

1st February 1881, No. 588.

Barracks and Buildings.

Read the following papers :—

No. 3. *From Surgeon-General W. R. CORNISH, F.R.C.S., C.I.E., Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, to Colonel E. L. HANKIN, Acting Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Fort St. George, 7th January 1881, No. 4.*

I have the honor to forward, for the favorable consideration of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying letter from the Principal Medical Storekeeper, reporting an outbreak of fire in the straw-godown from spontaneous combustion; the prompt extinction of the same before much injury was sustained, through the watchfulness and zealous efforts of the Police on duty; and suggesting the following precautionary measures :—

1st.—To build a light corrugated iron shed for the storage of straw.
2nd.—To supply a few lengths of ordinary water-hose to each of the two brass water-mains on the premises, together with some fire buckets.

2. The cost would be but a trifle as compared with the value of the property which it is sought to protect from possible destruction by fire, and the recommendations receive my warm support for the favorable consideration of Government.

3. I would at the same time beg to bring the conduct of the Police to favorable notice, and to suggest the grant of a small gratuity by way of marking the approbation of Government.

From Surgeon-Major R. PEARSE, Officiating Principal Medical Storekeeper, to the Secretary to the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras; dated 1st January 1881, No. 3460.

I have the honor to report, for the information of the Surgeon-General, that a fire broke out in this dépôt during the night of the 29th-30th December 1880.
From enquiry made on the spot, I find that the fire was first discovered by Sentry Constable No. C 688, at about 2 A. M. on the morning of the 30th. He at once woke up the guard and the dépôt servants, who found the fire to be situated in the extreme room on the right of the entrance on the ground floor, which is used for keeping field and other medicine chests, and a portion of which, separated by a wall to a great extent from the rest of the space, is used for storing straw for the packing department, and it was in this straw that the fire had broken out. The guard at once sent for a fire engine, and in the mean time broke open the room, and there being a water-main in front of the door, succeeded in extinguishing the fire before the engine arrived at about half-past two.

The injury done is, I am glad to say, very small, extending only to the destruction of a portion (about 60 lb.) of the straw stored there, and one window immediately above the straw-bin burnt out.

The cause of the fire is evidently spontaneous combustion of damp straw in an enclosed area (as so frequently occurs on board ship), the straw in question being some obtained from casks of bottles, &c., recently imported from England and passed into store before being quite dry. The room was sealed up by the Manager on the evening of the 23rd and was never opened again until burst open to arrest the flames. Ignition from a spark or similar accident is therefore out of the question.

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I have pleasure in reporting that the men on duty, whose names I enter in the margin, acted with promptitude and discretion, and converted what might have been a most serious and disastrous conflagration into an unimportant accident, and would beg to submit their conduct for the favorable consideration of the Surgeon-General.

I would desire to avail myself of this opportunity of submitting the following two proposals for the favorable consideration of the Surgeon-General:—

1st.—It is evident that straw in considerable quantity (for packing purposes) *must* be kept on hand, but as matters stand at present it cannot be kept safely, for if stored away in a locked-up room it is liable to become ignited, and if kept in the open yard there is equal danger from casual sparks. I beg to suggest, therefore, that a light corrugated iron shed be erected in the quadrangle, in which consignments from England can be unpacked, and the straw for depôt use kept.

2nd.—There are two brass water-mains, one at each end of the quadrangle, supplied from the Seven Wells on the opposite side of the road, and which raise the water about three feet above the level of the ground; if to each of these a few lengths of ordinary water-hose were supplied, together with some fire buckets, the serious risk to the depôt of destruction by fire, which at present exists, would, I consider, be very materially diminished.

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No. 253.

Transferred to the Quartermaster-General, with reference to G.O.C.C., No. 31, dated 3rd April 1873.

(By Order.)

FORT ST. GEORGE,
17th January 1881.

(Signed) E. L. HANKIN, Colonel,
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No. 5. *From Brigadier-General H. O'CONNELL, Quartermaster-General, to Colonel E. L. HANKIN, Acting Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Fort St. George, 18th January 1881, No. 431.*

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(True Extract.)

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To the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras.

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Exd. A. Raitt.

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To the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras.
,, Public Works Department. *note to Surgeon*
,, Judicial Department.

Exd. A. Raiff.

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Dated February, 1st.

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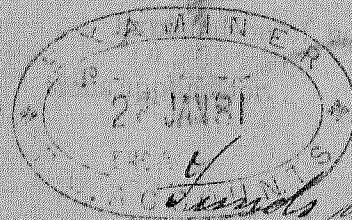
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With order

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Supt of Works Presidency / 2000
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Funds are required for
the execution of the work
mentioned within, the Estimate
for which was prepared at
the request of the Military
authorities and has been
approved of by them.

Major R. E.
Supt of Works Presy

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From

The Superintendent of Works
Presidency

To

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
through the Examiner,
P. W. Accounts.

No 3891

Dated 26 January 1881

Balance application for modification
of Imperial Budget
appropriations, for the reasons noted in the
margin.

No 146, Dated 2 February 1881

Forwarded to the Secy to Government.

This office is unable to point out
the source from which the funds
required may be sanctioned.

D. H. Trail Major R. E.

Examiner, P. W. Accounts.

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Proceedings of Madras Government, 2-2-81
No 313W, Dated 24 Feb 1881
Recd application from Superintendent
of Works Presy No 3891 of
26th Jan 1881 requesting modification
of Imperial Budget Appropriations.

Order Thereon, 1881 No.

The modifications shown in the accom-
panying statement are sanctioned and
appropriated from the Revenue
Imperial Imperial Imperial

Under Secretary to Government

Desks to C-4-28.

R. E.

Arrangement
Superintendent of Works
Presidency

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Graveling Streets in the 39th.
Regiment, Native Infantry
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Chas Davis
L. H. G. M.

The City of Detroit
 Mayor R. W. Brewster
 Superintendent of Public Works
 President

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Be N^o 312 W of 3rd July 1881

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To *Rs. 1000/-* *February 1881*

Circular No. 1 Public Works.

Dated January 19, 1881.

Received *1000/-* *1000/-*

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S. A. P. ✓
Supt. of Works. ✓
Capt. H. A. W. ✓
Com. Archd. ✓
Enl. P. W. A. ✓
Genl. Supt. P. W. D. ✓
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ACCOUNT.

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