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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

13th January 1882, No. 106 W.

Buildings and Roads.
Military Works.

Read the following paper:—

No. 58. Endorsement of the Acting Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Fort. St. George, 9th January 1882, No. 83.

From Brigadier General H. O'CONNELL, Quartermaster-General, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Bangalore, 21st December 1881, No. 8772.

I HAVE the honor, by desire of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, to submit, for the consideration and orders of Government, the advisability of making immediate arrangements for the permanent location of the 1st Light Cavalry at Bangalore, and for erecting the necessary buildings, lines, &c.,

2. This Regiment returned from Southern Afghanistan in May last, and was sent to Bangalore as the best locality for it, there being no vacant lines for a Native Cavalry Regiment at any station in the Madras Presidency. The former station of this Regiment, Secunderabad, has been occupied by the 3rd Light Cavalry, withdrawn from Sangor.

3. The 1st Light Cavalry is at present temporarily located in some of the buildings belonging to the British Cavalry at Bangalore, but as these will be required for the 12th Lancers early in March 1882, it will be necessary to provide accommodation elsewhere for the 1st Light Cavalry.

4. There is good ground at the south-east corner of the Cantonment of Bangalore for the location of the Regiment, on the spot known as the Arab Lines, which was formerly used as a Brigade Parade Ground, but is no longer required for that purpose. The ground slopes gradually from north to south, is naturally dry and well drained, while water in any quantity for men and horses is obtainable from tanks near and from wells on the low ground. There is ample space on the ground for hutting lines, horse lines, saddle-room, place of arms, hospital, &c. It is well clear of bazaars and of buildings occupied by British Troops, and is conveniently situated as regards the Agram plain, which is the only ground available as a Parade Ground for a Cavalry Regiment.

5. There are no public buildings on the spot that could be utilized, and all that is required will have to be built. The cost will be considerable, but as it is one that will have to be undertaken, His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief would recommend that the matter be submitted to the Government of India, with a view to a special grant of funds being made for the purpose.

6. The men's lines should be substantially built on the system advocated in this office letter published in Proceedings of Government, No. 3123, dated 10 June 1881.

7. It seems certain that a Regiment of Native Cavalry will be permanently located at Bangalore. This was proposed by the Army Organization Commission in 1879, and there is no doubt the place is an excellent one for the location of a Native Cavalry Regiment. One was stationed here until 1862, when requirements further north led to the Regiment being withdrawn. The ground formerly occupied by Native Cavalry at Bangalore is now appropriated by the Sappers and Miners.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Works Department, with an expression of opinion in the Military Department, that early steps should be taken to obtain the sanction of the Government of India for the provision of funds for the erection of the buildings referred to in the foregoing letter.

(By Order.)

(Signed) E. L. HANKIN, Colonel,
Ag. Secy. to Govt., Mily. Dept.

No. 59.

ORDER THEREON, 13th January 1882, No. 106 W.

COMMUNICATED to the Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle, who will submit as quickly as possible, in communication with the Military Authorities, plans and estimates for the required buildings.

(True Extract.)

Lient.-Col., R.E.,
Ag. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle.
„ Military Department.

BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
MILITARY WORKS.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To
THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
FIFTH CIRCLE.
&c. &c. &c.

Dated January, 1882.

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G.O., 13th January 1882, No. 106 W.

JANUARY.
Nos. 58-59.

Erection of buildings, &c., for the permanent location of the 1st Regiment Light Cavalry at Bangalore.—Endorsement, Military Department, stating that early steps should be taken to obtain the sanction of the Government of India for the provision of funds for the —, communicated to the Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle, for submission of the plans and estimates for the required buildings.

QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE.

H. D. Bangalore
21st December 1881

From
Brigadier General H. Connolly,
QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL.

To
The Secretary to Government
Military Department.

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I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Yours obedient servant,

J. T. Cornwell Brig. General.

Quarter Master General.

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Military 1881 Department
 From
 The Sr. Mr. Genl.

Fort St. George,
 Milly. Dept.
 9 January 1882.

The Secretary to Government
 Military Department

N. 89 Transferred to the
 Public Works Department, with
 an expression of opinion in the
 Military Department, that
 early steps should be taken
 to obtain the sanction of the
 Government of India for the
 provision of funds for the
 erection of the buildings
 referred to in the foregoing letter.
 (By Order)

Dated 21st
 Recd 22nd Dec
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By Order
 Col. Hamilton
 Secy. Secretary to Government
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Submits for consideration
 and orders of Government, the advisa-
 bility of making immediate arrange-
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 the 1st Regiment Light Cavalry at
 Bangalore and for erecting the
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The Public Works Department

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 13th January 1882.
 Read the following:—

Endorsement from the milly Dept No 83 of 9 January 1882.

Communicated to
 the Supty Engr 5th Circle
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 quickly as possible,
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 the Military Authorities,
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PUBLIC WORKS.

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G. O., 13th January 1882, No. 106 W.

Nos. 559

Erection of buildings for
the permanent location of the
1st Regt Lt Cavalry at
Bangalore. Enclosure,
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early steps should be taken
to obtain the sanction of the Govt
for the provision of funds for the
Comm^{rs} to the Lt Col
for submission of the plan
estimates for the reg^t building
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