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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

28th November 1881, No. 2963 W.

Buildings and Roads.
Military Works.

Read the following papers :—

No. 122. Endorsement of the Acting Secretary to Government in the Military Department, dated 2nd November 1881, No. 5788.

From Brigadier-General H. O'CONNELL, Quartermaster-General, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Bangalore, 27th October 1881, No. 1573/7142.

In forwarding the enclosed letter No. G/176, dated 18th instant, from the General Officer Commanding, Centre District, I have the honor, by order, to request, with reference to the orders of Government as per margin, that early arrangements may be made for providing the Surgeon-General, Army Medical Department, the Surgeon-General with Government, and the Judge Advocate-General with offices outside Fort St. George, in order that the buildings now occupied by those offices may be utilized as officers' quarters.

2. With reference to G.O., No. 1288, dated 3rd March 1881, it may now be accepted that the future strength of British Infantry in Fort St. George will be a battalion, furnishing a detachment at Malliapuram. The number of officers with a battalion of British Infantry fluctuates; but deducting those with the depôt in England, those on detachment at Malliapuram, and those absent on leave, quarters will be required in Fort St. George, on an average, for 26 or 28 officers of British Infantry, including medical officers. There are now 23 quarters only, so that at least three additional quarters will be required.

3. The Essex Regiment will arrive in Fort St. George from Burmah in December 1881 and February 1882, and it is desirable that the three additional quarters mentioned above be available by the beginning of next year.

4. The deficiency of field officers' quarters for the present increased number of field officers cannot be helped. The junior Majors and Captains will have to be supplied with inferior quarters.

5. With reference to the last paragraph of Brigadier-General Stewart's letter, it is requested that the provision of quarters outside the Fort, for the Director of the Governor's Band, may be expedited.

REFERRED to the Public Works Department with advertence to the correspondence quoted.

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

No. 2617.

MEMORANDUM.

No. 122-A.

REFERRED, with advertence to G.O., No. 387 W., dated 11th February 1881, to the Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle, for report, in communication with the Judge Advocate-General and the two Surgeons-General, whether arrangements can now be made for the immediate removal of their offices to their own residences or elsewhere outside the Fort, Government paying rent for the accommodation provided.

2. With reference to the last paragraph of the Quartermaster-General's letter, information should be afforded as to what action has been taken by the Executive Engineer, Presidency, on G.O., No. 1504 W., dated 16th June 1881.

3. A very early reply is requested.

(By order,)

(Signed) ROSS THOMPSON, Lieut.-Col., R.E.,
Ag. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

9th November 1881.

No. 122-B. From Colonel H. L. PRENDERGAST, R.E., Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Chepauk, 23rd November 1881, No. 186.

WITH reference to your memorandum No. 2617 of the 9th instant, I have the honor to report that the Judge Advocate-General says he will be able, on receiving sufficient notice, to move his office to the Victoria Chambers, Royapettah, where he is residing, and he has engaged a portion of that building as a temporary arrangement, at a monthly rent of Rs. 130, for the accommodation of his office. The Judge Advocate-General's proposal appears to me to be suitable.

2. The Surgeon-General with the Madras Government states that the middle of the north-east monsoon would be a most inconvenient time for removing the records, which might sustain serious damage from heavy rain. The Surgeon-General doubts if his own house would afford sufficient accommodation, and he would prefer not to have the office in his private residence. He selects two houses that might be suitable, viz., Mr. Deschamp's house, L'Elysée, opposite the Royal Hotel, and the house on the Mount Road, formerly Atkinson's Hotel, though this house is out of repair.

3. The Surgeon-General, Her Majesty's Forces, writes that he finds only one house with sufficient accommodation and suitable in site and situation for his office, viz., L'Elysée mentioned above. The Surgeon-General is prepared to move there at once; he considers that the house would not afford accommodation for both offices (i.e., his own and the other Surgeon-General's) and that it would not be desirable to have both in one building. He adds that he believes he has the prior claim on the house, as having been the first to apply for it to the Agents.

4. The Agents for L'Elysée have just now had an offer for a short occupation of the house, which, however, would make it not available till the end of January. I have therefore assumed that the house must be engaged at an early date on the part of the Government, as it is the only one that is approved of. The rent is Rs. 225.

5. I was at first under the impression that both the offices might be located together, but the accommodation is not equivalent to that which they now have, and the house also is not conveniently arranged for two principal officers of departments. The enclosed pencil sketch shows the arrangement of the rooms.

6. Should the Government decide that the Surgeon-General, Her Majesty's Forces, shall occupy L'Elysée at an early date, further search must be made for an office for the Surgeon-General with the Madras Government.

7. With regard to G.O., No. 1504 W., of the 16th June 1881, the Executive Engineer at the Presidency has obtained the refusal of a bungalow on the Mount Road not far from the Club, the property of Messrs. Jackson and Co., and to be rented for Rs. 50. There appears to be no probability of a more suitable bungalow being found and it is desirable not to lose the present opportunity of taking it.

No. 123. ORDER THEREON, 28th November 1881, No. 2963 W.

THE Right Honorable the Governor in Council desires that immediate arrangements be made for vacating the quarters in the Fort, at present occupied by the offices of the Surgeon-General, Army Medical Department, the Surgeon-General with Government, and the Judge Advocate-General, as also those in the occupation of the Director of the Governor's Band.

2. The quarters thus made available will be handed over to the Military Department to be disposed of as suggested in the Quartermaster-General's letter of the 27th October, No. 1573/7142.

3. The Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle, will rent suitable houses in substitution outside the Fort, reporting for formal approval the precise arrangements made.

(True Extract.)

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Ag. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle.
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Exd. E. C. Shunker.
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- 1 Letter No. 176/G, dated 18th October 1881, from General Commanding, Centre District, to the Quartermaster-General.
- 1 List of Quarters.
- 1 Pencil Sketch.

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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
MILITARY WORKS.

Govt. of (1881) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

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

Dated November, 28th.

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 28th November 1881, No. 2963 W.

NOVEMBER.

Nos. 122-123.

Quarters in the Fort occupied by the Offices of the Surgeon-General, Army Medical Department, the Surgeon-General with the Government, Judge Advocate-General, and those occupied by the Director of the Governor's Band.—Directing that the — be vacated and handed over to the Military Department, and the Superintending Engineer to arrange for renting suitable houses in substitution outside the Fort.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

13th December 1881, No. 3091 W.

General.
Establishment.

Read the following paper:—

No. 51. Proceedings of Government, Public Department, dated 12th December 1881, No. 1683.

From Colonel H. L. PRENDERGAST, R.E., Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Chepauk, 1st December 1881, No. 275.

In continuation of my letter No. 186 of the 23rd ultimo, I have the honor to report that the house close to the College Bridge, lately occupied as the Cosmopolitan Club, has been selected by the Surgeon-General with the Madras Government as suitable for his office.

The rent is understood to be Rs. 170.

No. 2901.

REFERRED to the Public Department, with reference to G.O., No. 2963 W., dated 28th November 1881.

(By Order.)

3rd December 1881. (Signed) ROSS THOMPSON, Lt.-Col., R.E.,
Ag. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

APPROVED.

2. The Surgeon-General will arrange to vacate his present quarters in the Fort as soon as practicable.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. S. LAFFAN,
Ag. Asst. Secretary.

No. 52. ORDER THEREON, 13th December 1881, No. 3091 W.

Recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle.
„ Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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GENERAL.
ESTABLISHMENT.

Govt. of (1881) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

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

Dated December, 13th.

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 13th December 1881, No. 3091 W.

DECEMBER.

Nos. 51-52.

Office of the Surgeon-General with the
Government of Madras.—Proceedings, Public
Department, approving the proposal for
removing the — from Fort St. George,
recorded.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

16th February 1882, No. 423 W.

General.
Establishment.

Read the following paper :—

No. 54. From Colonel H. L. PRENDERGAST, R.E., Superintending Engineer,
Fifth Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated
Chepauk, 6th February 1882, No. 948.

WITH reference to G.O., No. 2963 W., of the 28th November 1881, and No. 3091
One original letter, (to be returned.) of the 13th December 1881, I have the
honor to report that the Surgeon-General
Her Majesty's Forces has moved into the house called Elysée, opposite the Royal
Hotel. The rent of this house, as previously mentioned, is Rs. 225.

2. The Surgeon-General with the Madras Government is going into the house
near the College Bridge, lately occupied as the Cosmopolitan Club. Some repairs have
still to be made before the house is fit for occupation, and the rent is Rs. 205.

3. A change has necessarily had to be made, from the arrangement reported in
my letter No. 186 of the 23rd November, for the Office of the Judge Advocate-
General, on account of the retirement of Colonel Wilson. I enclose Colonel Hands'
letter No. 100 of the 4th instant, and propose, upon this, to engage the small house in
White's road, if it is found to afford sufficient accommodation.

From Colonel W. HANDS, Officiating Judge Advocate-General, to the Superintending Engineer,
Fifth Circle, dated Fort St. George, 4th February 1882, No. 100.

THE Executive Engineer, Presidency, has intimated to me that a house is about to be rented
by Government for joint use of the offices of the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras
and Judge Advocate-General.

2. As requested by him I have visited that house and have had an interview with the Secre-
tary of the Surgeon-General, which has resulted in the conclusion on both sides that it is very
doubtful whether the house will afford sufficient accommodation for the two offices, and this was
notified to the Executive Engineer in my letter No. 74, dated 26th ultimo, in which I suggested
that it will not be advisable to move the offices simultaneously, that it will be better to move that
of the Surgeon-General first, which being completely arranged it will be readily seen whether
the accommodation then remaining available is sufficient and suitable for my office.

3. The superficial area of the existing offices and of the house proposed to be jointly used
as such having been taken, it is very possible the measurements may show that the two offices
can be compressed in the one building. I beg however you will do me the favor of bringing to
the notice of Government that the records of my office are for the most part of a confidential
nature, and no access to them should be possible by persons unconnected with the office, for which
reason I consider that the office of the Judge Advocate-General should, as at present, be entirely
isolated from any other, which will, I believe, be impossible if the proposed arrangement is
carried out.

4. Had it been feasible to accommodate one office in the upper and the other in the lower
storey of the house, with separate entrance for each, one office being thus quite apart from the
other, the joint occupation would have been less open to objection; but as it is, the two must be
more or less mixed together, the Clerks of the Surgeon General's office having access to and
right of entry into my office there will at all times, I apprehend, be a risk of confidential papers

falling into the hands of or coming under the observation of persons who should not see them, for which reason I think it is very desirable the Judge Advocate-General's office should occupy a building reserved for its separate use.

5. There is a house of moderate size in White's Road (next to that occupied by Mr. Bliss), at present rented by General Godfrey Clerk, which will, I believe, be vacated shortly, and will, I think, afford sufficient accommodation for my office.

No. 54-A.

No. 335 C.

REFERRED for approval to the Military Department, with regard to the offices of the Surgeon-General Her Majesty's Forces and the Judge Advocate-General.

2. The removal of the office of the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras to the house in question near the College Bridge has already been approved in the Public Department (G.O., No. 3091 W., dated 13th December 1881).

(By Order.)

9th February 1882.

(Signed) ROSS THOMPSON, Lt.-Col., R.E.,
Ag. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

No. 54-B.

No. 747.

Approved.

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

FORT ST. GEORGE,
14th February 1882.
To the Public Works Department.

No. 55.

ORDER THEREON, 16th February 1882, No. 423 W.

Recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle, with one enclosure.
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
" Military Department.

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GENERAL
ESTABLISHMENT.

Govt. of (1882) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

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

Dated February, 16th.

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 16th February 1882, No. 423, W.

FEBRUARY.
Nos. 54-55.

Offices of the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras and of the Judge Advocate-General.—Report on the subject of accommodation for the —, recorded.

Public Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following letter from

the Accountant General, Madras dated
20th November 1882 N. E. A. B.
297

With reference to the Pro.

ceedings of Government, Public Depart-
ment, N. 1083 dated the 12th December

1881, I have the honor to state that in the

Superintending Engineer's letter N. 276

dated 1st December 1881, recorded in the

above order, the rent of the building selec-

ed by the Surgeon General for his Office

was stated to be Rs. 170. In a subse-

quent letter of the Superintending

Engineer's N. 948 dated 6th February

1882, recorded in G. O. Public Works

Department, N. 423 W. dated 16th February

1882 but not communicated to this

office, the rent of the building is stated

to be Rs. 205, and this latter amount

has been claimed by the Surgeon General

in a Contingent bill submitted for payment,

supported

No 2273 C of 11 Decr/82

Referred to the
Supt Engineer Fifth
Circle for remarks.

(By order)

W. S. S. S.
Local Rs.

Asst. Engineer of 5th Circle

Govt. of (1881) Madras.

To

He P. D.

Proceedings, dated 7th Dec 1882.

No. 1540 P. M.

Subject.

Sancty the enhanced
rate of rent of the
M. P. premises of the
Surgeon General.

With duty

No. 3296.

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE
5TH CIRCLE, MADRAS,
Chepauk, 16th Decemb 1882

From

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

5TH CIRCLE,

To

THE

Chief Engineer
J. P. W. D.

SIR,

Enclosures 1.

In returning your Enclosure
containing No. 2273 C dated 11th December
1882, I have the honor to observe
that in my letter No. 275 of the
1st December 1881 I took care to
write that the Rent is understood to
be Rupees 170⁰⁰. But by the time
I wrote again, on the 5th February 1882,
I had definitely ascertained and
stated that the Rent was Rs. 205.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedt Servant
W. S. S. S.
J. P. W. D.

Superintending Engineer,
5th Circle.

By Wd. 20. Decr 82

From

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

5TH CIRCLE,

To

THE Chief Engineer
P.W. Department

Dated

Recd.

16th } December 1882.

ENCLOSURES. 1.

No. 3367 Wd/20. 12. 82

No. 3296.

Offices of the Surgeon Genl
with the Govt of Madras.

Informing regarding
the amount of house rent
fixed for the Building
occupied as

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Decr 82

Wth order

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following:—

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Madras-Irrigation and Navigation.

Statement of Payments made in England on account of Stores and Freight, and of Invoices
despatched to India, during the Month of October 1882.

963. W. 28. 11. 81
91. W. 13. 12. 81
2273. C. 11. 12. 82

Decr 20-12-82.

The Public Dept
with copy of G.O. No.

423 Wd/16. 2. 82
in Receipt Pass

No 2

17 May 20. Dec 82

Communicated
to the Public Dept
with reference to Pro
in that Dept by 1540 hrs.
of 7 Dec 1882.

2. A copy of S.O. No. 423W of 16. February, which by oversight was not communicated to the Public Dept, will now be furnished to that Dept.

Cu Asst
18/12/82

No 2963. W. 28. 11. 81
No 3091. W. 13. 12. 81
No 2273. C. 11. 12. 82

Despts 20-12-82.
To the Public Dept
with copy of S.O. No. 423W of 16. 2. 82
Sd/- in Receipt Reg.

From W.C. No 8683
THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
5TH CIRCLE,

To
THE Chief Engineer
P.W. Department

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