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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Military Works.

No. 171.

Read—the following papers :—

From Colonel J. BEATTY, R.E., Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Coimbatore, 13th October 1882, No. 440.

In reply to your memorandum, No. 866 E., of the 9th instant, I have the honor to state that Government, in allotting Rs. 6,000 in the budget of the current year for cooking stoves, Wellington, ordered, in paragraph 4 of G.O., No. 3120 W., of 16th December 1881, that no expenditure should be incurred pending sanction to an estimate.

2. Accordingly, an estimate was prepared and submitted on 25th August to the Deputy Quartermaster-General for the approval of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, which has not yet been returned.

3. In the meantime, as you requested this office, in your telegram of the 15th September 1882, to surrender funds from all works entered as *not commenced in the budget*, I considered it necessary to give up the sum of Rs. 6,000 allotted for the cooking stoves, and because an estimate for that work has not yet been formally sanctioned by Government.

No. 916 E.

MEMORANDUM.

It is observed that in paragraph 4 of G.O., No. 3120 W., dated 16th December 1881, Superintending Engineers were directed to lose no time in submitting the necessary plans and estimates for certain works entered in the Military Budget, among which were the cooking stoves at Wellington, the works in question being considered of "very great urgency." Notwithstanding which, it would appear that the estimates for the stoves were not sent to the Military authorities till August of the following year. This delay, which seems excessive, should be explained.

(Signed) J. SHAW-STEWART, Colonel, R.E.,
Acting Chief Engineer, P.W.D.

18th October 1882.

To the Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle.

No. 171-A.

From Colonel J. BEATTY, R.E., Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Coimbatore, 30th October 1882, No. 455.

One letter, No. 142, of 27th October 1882, from Executive Engineer, Nilgiri Division.

In reply to your memorandum, No. 916 E., of 18th instant, I have the honor to forward herewith the explanation of the Executive Engineer regarding the delay in submitting plans and estimates for cooking stoves for Wellington, from which it appears that it arose out of the difficulty met with in obtaining the plan of a suitable stove, as there is no standard design for such stoves.

ENCLOSURE.

From Captain C. C. RAWSON, R.E., Executive Engineer, Nilgiri Division, to the Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle, dated Ootacamund, 25th October 1882, No. 142.

Referring to your No. 685-N.I., dated 20th October 1882, I have the honor to inform you that the delay in submitting plans and estimates for the cooking stoves for the married quarters at the Wellington Barracks is due to there being no standard plan of such stoves, and to the difficulty there was in consequence of getting the plan of a suitable stove.

No. 171-B.

From Lieutenant-Colonel J. EWING, Officiating Quartermaster-General, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Fort St. George, 11th November 1882, No. 9163.—(Through the Secretary to Government, Military Department.)

In forwarding the enclosed letter, No. 469, dated 21st October 1882, from the Officer Commanding Bangalore Division, regarding the delay in submitting plan and estimate for stoves for the married quarters at Wellington, which only reached this office on 31st August 1882, though the work was included in the budget of 1882-83 sanctioned in September 1881, I am directed by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief to bring to your notice that the explanation offered by the Executive Engineer, Nilgiri Division, does not seem very satisfactory. Sir Frederick Roberts thinks there could have been no difficulty in providing stoves, and had this been done at once, funds provided for the work would not have lapsed.

2. His Excellency hopes even now it will be possible to provide the stoves in question this year.

No. 6101, Military.
Forwarded.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
13th November 1882.
To the Public Works Department.

(Signed) E. L. HANKIN, Colonel,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

No. 171-C.

From Colonel J. BEATTY, R.E., Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Coimbatore, 24th November 1882, No. 497.

With reference to your memorandum, No. 2004 C., dated 8th November, I have the honor to inform you that the Executive Engineer, Nilgiri Division, reports that the cooking stoves have been telegraphed for to England, and he expects that, if they arrive in February, the work will be completed in March 1883.

No. 171-D.

From the same Officer, dated Coimbatore, 3rd December 1882, No. 516.

I have the honor to report more fully the circumstances connected with the submission of the estimates for cooking stoves for the barracks at Wellington.

2. The G.O., No. 3120 W., of 16th December 1881, with which the Military Works Budget of 1882-83 was sent, reached the Superintending Engineer on the 6th January 1882.

3. On the 9th January 1882 the special attention of the Executive Engineer, Major A. T. Fraser, R.E., was called to paragraph 4 of the Government Order in which it was ordered that no expenditure should be incurred on the works for which estimates were awaited, and the Government considered the works to be of very great urgency.

4. Captain Rawson, R.E., assumed charge of the division on the 31st May 1882, and on the 25th August submitted the plan and estimate to the Quartermaster-General for the approval of the Commander-in-Chief.

5. G.O., No. 2949 W., of 8th November 1882, sanctioning the estimate, reached this office on the 13th ultimo, and until its receipt no outlay could be incurred in the face of the order prohibiting outlay until the plan and estimate had been sanctioned.

6. Captain Rawson explained that the delay in submitting the estimate had been due to "there being no standard plan of such stoves, and to the difficulty there was in consequence of getting the plan of a suitable stove."

7. I also observe that on 13th July 1882, on a reference from Captain Rawson, Lieutenant-Colonel Mead, R.E., wrote to the Quartermaster-General asking "what sort or description of stove was proposed, as there was no standard plan or anything to show what was required, and he was not aware that small cooking stoves had been supplied to any married quarters in this Presidency."

8. The plan sanctioned appeared to me to be that of an ordinary English kitchen range, and it does not appear where Captain Rawson, who is at present on leave, obtained it.

No. 171-E.

From the same Officer, dated Coimbatore, 11th December 1882, No. 529.

In reply to your memorandum, No. 2241 C., of 6th instant, I have the honor to report that after 9th January 1882, when the special attention of the Divisional Officer was called to the fact that Government considered certain military works of very great urgency, including that for cooking stoves, the Executive Engineer received three reminders—

(1.) In this office No. 85, of 6th February 1882, that estimate, with those for the other military works ordered in G.O., No. 2292, of 6th September 1881, was again called for.

(2.) On an application for standard plans of this and other works, the Executive Engineer was, in this office No. 310, of 15th May 1882, referred to G.O., No. 2202, of 20th September 1880.

(3.) He was informed in this office No. 365, of 10th June 1882, that Rs. 6,000 has been allotted for the construction of cooking stoves, and he was requested to submit the plans and estimates in communication with the Military authorities.

2. I have now reason to believe that the Military authorities were unable to provide a plan, and that the one submitted was obtained from a contractor at Coonoor.

3. The great delay that occurred in this case was therefore attributable to the want of a plan that would satisfy the Military authorities, combined doubtless with the fact that the work in the old West Coast Division appears to have been too heavy for one officer.

No. 172.

ORDER—dated 17th January 1883, No. 190 W., Public Works.

Communicated, through the Military Department, to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief for information.

2. It is observed that although the Executive Engineer, Major Fraser, was no doubt overworked, and could not obtain any guidance from the Military authorities

as to the standard of stove required, the Government are unable to free him from blame.

3. He should have at once brought forward his difficulty in a manner to insure a reference to this office, and at least some authoritative disposal, instead of allowing the matter to drift.

(True Extract.)

Captain, R.E.,
Ag. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Military Department.
" Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle.
" " " Sixth Circle.

Exd. A. F. Goodall.
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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
MILITARY WORKS.

Govt. of {1883} Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated January, 17th.

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 17th Jan. 1883, No. 190 W.

JANUARY.
Nos. 171-172.

Wellington Barracks.

Delay in the provision of cooking stoves for the —.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Military Works.

No. 14.

Read—the following telegram from the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Simla, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Madras, dated 3rd November 1882.

Your letter $\frac{2470}{B}$ W., 22nd September. Rs. 10,000 for exchange house, Fort St. George, are hereby withdrawn. Remaining works can be proceeded with according to budget.

No. 15.

Order—dated 4th November 1882, No. 2897 W., Public Works.

Communicated to officers concerned with reference to Proceedings of Government No. $\frac{2470}{A}$ W., dated 22nd September 1882.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. SHAW-STEWART, Colonel, R.E.,
Offg. Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To Superintending Engineers, Third, Fourth, and Fifth Circles.
To the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
„ Military Department.
„ Revenue Department, with copy of G.O., No. $\frac{2470}{A}$ W.

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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MILITARY WORKS.

Govt. of (1882) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated November, 4th.

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 4th Nov. 1882, No. 2897 W.

NOVEMBER.
Nos. 14-15.

Exchange House in Fort St. George.

Telegram from the Government of India withdrawing Rs. 10,000 *from the allotment for the* —, and directing to proceed with the remaining works budgetted under Original Works, Military, communicated to the officers concerned.

8th November 1882, No. 2949 W., Public Works.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Military Works.

No. 58.

Read—the following paper :—

G.O., dated 14th October 1882, No. 5523, Military.

No. 59.

Order—dated 8th November 1882, No. 2949 W., Public Works.

The estimates amounting to Rs. 8,020, for providing kitchen ranges for the married quarters at the Wellington barracks, is sanctioned.

2. The sum of Rs. 6,000 is provided for the work in the current year's Military Budget, and it may be at once proceeded with to the extent of available funds, with reference to G.O., No. 2877 W., dated 4th November 1882.

3. This sanction has been registered as Imperial Ordinary No. 26 W. of 1882-83, and classified as Military, Original Works.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. SHAW-STEWART, Colonel, R.E.,
Offg. Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle, with three enclosures.
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
" Military Department.

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
MILITARY WORKS.

Govt. of (1882) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated November, 8th.

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 8th Nov. 1882, No. 2949 W.

NOVEMBER.
Nos. 58-59.

Wellington Barracks.

Estimates for providing kitchen ranges for the married quarters at the —, sanctioned.

P. W. Dept

190/b

Letter from the S.E. Fourth Circle No. 440 d/ 13th Octr ,, 1882

Do do ,, 455 d/ 30th ,, ,,

Do from Quarter Master Genl ,, 9163 d/ 11th Novr ,,

Do from S.E. Fourth Circle ,, 497 d/ 24th ,, ,,

Do from do ,, 516 d/ 3d Decr ,,

Do from do ,, 529 d/ 11th ,, ,,

—

Circulated to His Excellency the Commander in Chief for information.

2. It is observed that although the Executive Engineer, Major Fraser, was no doubt overworked, and could not obtain any guidance from the

Military Authorities as to the standard of stove required, the Chief Engineer is unable to free him from blame.

3 He should have at once brought forward his difficulty in a manner to insure a reference to this office and at least some authoritative disposal, instead of allowing the matter to drift.

R. H. Sankey
Colonel R.E.

Chief Engineer & Secy to Govt PWD

Madras,
13th Decr 1882

Mily Departt
S.E. Fourth Circle

Memo

Returned to me without observation by H.E. the C in C

30/12/82

190/8

5. October 1882.

My dear Sankey,

I am sorry to find ~~that the~~ Rs 6000 allotted for Stoves for married families at Wellington have not been expended and consequently have had to be withdrawn under the recent ruling of the Government of India — Will you kindly tell me whether there has not been unnecessary delay in the matter. Whether or no I should like the matter brought before the Government in view to sanction being obtained to the money being reallotted this year, it is a small sum, and the comfort of the families at the depôt depends, in a great measure, on stores being provided. —

I hope Gov. Government will sanction a special application being made for Stables —

Yours sincerely

Fred Roberts,

His Excellency the Com

Dear Brown-Stuart

This refers to the matter of the Stoves at Wellington — Perhaps after sending H.E. the Official Mr Beatty you had better consult him as to further action

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To W

190/10

The Govt. of India have already been specially requested to allow the works to progress, and to withdraw the retrenchments.

There has apparently been delay in commencing the Cooking Stoves at Wellington which will require explanation.

As regards the Stables required by H.E. the C in C, the Govt. of India have already been addressed in the strongest possible terms, but without effect. (Papers in the file).

Plan & Estimate of Sepoys' Lines submitted

R. S.
6/10

CAW

Call for early Explanation about the delays in carrying out the Stores for the C in C inspection

RHH

6/10

AgW

9166

Letter from S.E.W.
No 660 d/13 Octr 82

Before submitting this to H.E. the C in C perhaps it would be as well to obtain further explanation? In para 4 of S.O. 3120 W d/16 Dec. 81 the S.E. was directed to lose no time in submitting estimates as the works were "considered to be of very great urgency".
Notwithstanding which the estimates were not prepared till the 25th August following.

R.J.
16/10

To AgG

190/12

C. No: 7457

The explanation does not seem quite satisfactory. The Supdg: Eng: might be asked when he now expects to have the work completed; the Govt. of India having waived the surrender of funds.?

R.S.
7.11.

Yes.
7.11.82.

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Cooking Stoves - Wellington

190/13

M.

For Orders. —

From the S.E.'s letter No 816 of 3rd Decr. herewith —

The Subject appears to have been under Major Fraser's Consideration from the 9th of January upto 31st May 1882. — And under Capt. Ransom's from 31st May to 25th August when plan and Estimate was submitted to the Dy. Mr. Genl —

The difficulty appears to have been — that there was no "Standard plan" —

5. 12. 82

CAW

Still unsatisfactory

The SE in writing to Major Fraser on the 9th January 182 informed him that the work was

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614/12 & 16/12

"of any great urgency" but so far as can be judged from the present reply no ~~explanation~~ or action was taken by the EE in explanation of delay afforded —

The SE does not appear to have followed up his letter with any reminder to the EE

Explanation on these points should be given

5/11/82

Head Quarters, Bangalore Division.

BANGALORE, 20th October 1882.

100/14

No. 469.

From

Lieut. General W. Payn C.B.

Commanding Bangalore Division.

Dont forward

To

The Quarter Master General

Ootacamund

Sir,

In reply to your No. 1188, dated the 12th instant, I have the honor to intimate that, the Executive Engineer Nilgiri Division reports that, the cause of delay in submitting the plan and Estimate for provision of Stoves to the married quarters at Wellington, arose from there being no standard plan, or other guide to the P.W.D. as to the stove best suited for the purpose, and some difficulty was experienced in obtaining a suitable design.

With reference to the discrepancy between the approximate, and the Estimated cost, the Executive Engineer explains that, the figures quoted in the proceedings of the Annual Barrack Committees are in many cases approximations only, which, when plans and Estimates are fully prepared, are generally proved to be more or less erroneous.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant

E. S[illegible] Col
Asst. Qmr. Genl.
for Lt. Genl. Comg. Bangalore

From the Offg. Comg. Bang. Dn.
To the Dy. Qr. Mr. Genl.
Ootacamund

No. 459.
Bangalore 20th October 1882.

Reporting cause of delay in submitting plan and estimate for provision of stoves to married quarters at Wellington.

In D. 6582 of 82

Dy No. 1226.

SUPG. ENGINEER'S OFFICE 4TH CIRCLE,
Coimbatore, 13th October 1882,

No. 440

190/16

From,
The Superintending Engineer,
Fourth Circle.

To,
The Chief Engineer
P. W. Departt.
Madras.

Sir,

In reply to your Memorandum No. 866 E of the 9th Instant, I have the honor to state that Government in allotting Rs 6,000 in the Budget of the Current year for Cooking Stoves, Wellington, ordered, in para 4 of G. O. No. 3220 of 16th December /81, that no

Expenditure

Expenditure should be incurred pending sanction to an Estimate.

2. Accordingly an Estimate was prepared and submitted on 25th August to the Dy. Quarter Master General for the Approval of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, which has not yet been returned.

3. In the meantime as you requested this Office, in your telegram of the 15th September 1882, to Surrender funds from all works entered as not Commenced in the Budget, I considered it necessary to give up the sum of Rs 6000 allotted for the Cooking Stoves; and because an Estimate for that work has not yet been formally sanctioned by Government.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obt. Servt.

L. Beatty Colonel R.E.
Supg. Engineer, 4th Circle.

G.O. 3120 W d/16·12·81.
" 2490/A W d/22·9·82
No. 866 E d/9·10·82

No. 916 E d/ 18th Octr. 1882

It is observed that in para 4 of G.O. 3120 W d/16 Decr. 1881 Supdg Engineers were directed to lose no time in submitting the necessary plans and estimates for certain works entered in the Military Budget among which were the Cooking Stoves at Wellington – the works in question being considered of "very great urgency". Notwithstanding which, it would appear that the estimates for the Stoves were not sent to the Military Authorities till August of the following year. This delay which seems excessive, should be explained.

(Sd) J Shaw Stewart
Col R.E.
Ag Chf Eng. P.W.D.

The S.E. Fourth Circle

O.L.S. 21/10. Despd 18/10

Cha 7087

From.
The Supg. Engineer
4th Circle.

Dated 13th } October 1882.
Recd 16th }

No. 916 E d/ 18th Octr 1882
No. 2200 W d/ 30th Novr/ 82
No. 440

Enc: –

Cooking Stoves at Wellington.

Surrenders the sum of Rs 6,000 allotted in the Current year's Budget for the –

With Memo

No: 455.

Supg: Engineer's Office IV Circle
Coimbatore, 30th October 1882.

From,
The Superintending Engineer
IV Circle.

To,
The Chief Engineer
P.W. Department.

Sir,

Enclosure 1
1 Letter No: 142 of 27-10-82 from Ex: Engineer N. D.

In reply to your memo No. 916 E. of 18th instant, I have the honor to forward herewith the explanation of the Executive Engineer regarding the delay in submitting Plans and Estimates for Cooking Stoves for Wellington, from which it appears that it arose out of the difficulty met with in obtaining the plan of a suitable Stove, as there is no Standard Design for such Stoves.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obt. Servant
E. Beatty Colonel R.E.
Supg: Engineer IV Circle

G.O. 3120 W d/ 16.12.81
" $\frac{2470}{A}$ W d/ 22.9.82
" 2897 W d/ 4.11.82
No. 906 E d/ 18.11.82

From

The Supg. Engineer,
Fourth Circle.

AH 9/11

Dated 30th }
Despd: 31st } October /82

No. 455
No. 2004 C d/ 8.11.82
No. 2200 Encl. of 30-11-82

Cooking Stoves at Wellington:—

Forwarding the explanation of the Executive Engineer Nilgiri Dn., regarding the delay in submitting Plans Estimates for—

MADRAS D. P. W.

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER'S OFFICE, ~~WEST COAST~~ Nilgiri DIVISION.
Ootacamund 25 October 1882.

No. 142

190/19

FROM

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
Nilgiri ~~WEST COAST~~ DIVISION,
Ootacamund ~~CALICUT~~.

TO,

The Superintending Engineer,
Fourth Circle.

SIR,

Referring to your No $\frac{685}{W.I.}$ dated 20th October 1882 I have the honor to inform you that the delay in submitting Plans and Estimates for the Cooking Stoves for the Married Quarters at the Wellington Barracks is due to there being no Standard plan of such Stoves, and to the difficulty there was in consequence of getting the plan of a suitable stove

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient Servant
Capt. RE
Executive Engineer
Nilgiri Division

26 OCT 82

From

The Executive Engineer

Nilgiri Dn

7457

No. 142

Despatched 27-10-82

Received

Enclosures. 0

Cooking stoves for the married quarters Wellington Barracks

Explains delay in the submission of plan and Estimate for the —

Thro' Secy: to Govt:
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QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Fort Saint George,
11th November 1882.

No. 9163.

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From

The QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL,

To

THE Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department.

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Frederick

Frederick Roberts thinks there could have been no difficulty in providing Stoves, and had this been done at once, funds provided for the work would not have lapsed.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedt. Servant,
D. J. S. McLeod Major
Offg. Depy. Qr. Mr. Genl.

Fort St George
13 Nov /82

No. 6101.

Forwarded

W. Hawkins Colonel
Actg. Qr. Mr. Genl.

To the P. W. Dept.

190/21

Mily. 1882 Dept

From No.
The Q.Mr. General
P.W.C. No 7816
To
The Secy to Govt.
P.W.D.

D/ 11 } Novr.
R/ 13 }

Ro 9163
No 2200 C of 30-11-82

Wishes to notice the delay in the provision by the P.W.D. of Stoves for the married Qrs at Wellington.

No 497

Superg Engineer's Office
Coimbatore, 24 November 82

190/22

From
The Superintending Engineer
IV Circle

To
The Chief Engineer
P.W. Dept

Sir

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Your most Obedt Servt
F. Beatty Colonel R.E.
Superintending Engineer
IV Circle

From
The Supdt. Engineer
Fourth Circle

Dated 24th
Despd. Do. } Nov. 1882

No. 497
No. 2200 C of 30th Novr/82

Cooking stoves for Wellington.

Reports that the — have been telegraphed for to England; that the work can be completed in March 1883.

P.E.

No. 516

Superintending Engineers Office
4th Circle
Coimbatore 3rd December 1882

190/23

From The Superintending Engineer
4th Circle

To The Chief Engineer
Public Works Department
Madras

Print

No. 2200 C of 30-11-82—

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I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obt Servant

Beatty Colonel R.E.
Superintending Engineer 4th Circ.

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From

The Supg. Engineer,
Fourth Circle

Dated 3d
Recpd 4th } December/82

No: 516

No 2241 C of 6th Decr/82

Kitchen Ranges or Cooking Stoves at Wellington
Reports more fully the circumstances connected with the submission of the estimate for........

No: 529

Supg: Engineer's Office IV Circle
Coimbatore, 11 December 1882

190/25

From,

The Superintending Engineer
IV Circle

To,

The Chief Engineer
P. W. Department
Madras.

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Division

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Sir
Your most Obt. servt.
L. Beatty. Colonel R.E.
Supg. Engineer IV Circle

From

The Supg. Engineer,
Fourth Circle.

G.O. 2202 W. d/ 20.9.80
" 2292 W. d/ 16.9.81
3120 W. d/ 16.12.81
2470/M.S. W. d/ " 22.9.82
No. 916 E. d/. " 18.10.82
G.O. 2897 W. " 4.11.82
" 2949 W. " 8.11.82
No. 2004 C. " 8.11.82
" 2200 C. " 30.11.82
" 2241 C. " 6.12.82

Dated 11th }
Despd. do. } Decr. /82.

No. 529

Cooking stoves at Wellington:—
Regarding delay in submitting the estimate for—

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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UNDER date the 17th Jany/83

Read the following:—

Letter from the S.E. Fourth Circle (A.E., No. 440 d/ 13th Octr. 1882)
— " — " — Do. — (" " 455 d/ 30th " ")
— " from the Quartermaster Genl. (" " 9163 d/ 11th Novr. ")
— " — " S.E. Fourth Circle (" " 497 d/ 24th " ")
— " — " — Do. — (" " 516 d/ 5th Decr. —)
— " — " — Do. — (" " 529 d/ 11th " —)

Communicated, through the Military Dept. to H.E. the Commander-in-Chief for information.

2. It is observed that although the Executive Engineer, Major Fraser, was no doubt overworked, and could not obtain any

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Nos. 176-172

Wellington Barracks

Delay in the provision of cooking stove for the "

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