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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General Account.

No. 19.

Read—the following papers :—

From Lieutenant-Colonel M. C. PERREAU, Officiating Controller of Military Accounts, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Fort St. George, 15th February 1888, C. :—

In forwarding memorandum, as per margin, from the Quartermaster-General, I have the honor to state that the building occupied by the Royal Artillery Mess at St. Thomas' Mount is the property of Government, the rent charged to the Mess for the same being Rs. 100 per mensem, which rent is credited to the Public Works Department.

2. It is accordingly for Government in that department to determine whether, under the circumstances urged, the reduction sought may be allowed.

No. 1217, 12th February 1888, recommending a reduction in the rent of the Mess House, Royal Artillery, St. Thomas' Mount, from Rs. 100 to 60 for the period during which only two batteries are at the station.

Proceedings of Government, Public Works Department, No. 451, 9th February 1870, under Military Department No. 501, 18th idem.

Enclosure.

From Colonel A. R. GLOAG, Commanding Royal Artillery, Eastern District, to the Deputy Assistant Quartermaster-General, Eastern District, dated St. Thomas' Mount, 7th February 1888, No. 69.

Since the 14th December last the Royal Artillery in this district has been one battery below its strength, and will be so until the arrival of 2nd Battery, 1st Brigade, Royal Artillery, on relief of O Battery, 1st Brigade, Royal Artillery, on the 1st March.

The rent of the Royal Artillery Mess House at St. Thomas' Mount is Rs. 100 per mensem. This is defrayed from the monthly Government allowance of Rs. 40 per battery, so that since the 14th December last the Rs. 100 per mensem has been paid out of a receipt of Rs. 80 only. This naturally entails increased expenditure on the part of the officers, which, in view of recent orders, is to be deprecated, more especially on the part of the junior officers. The establishment must be maintained at its normal strength, and the property, both Government, in the shape of the building, and private, kept in order, which cannot be done without increased subscriptions.

Under these circumstances I have the honor to submit, for favorable consideration, a reduction of the rent, from the 14th December 1882 to the 1st March 1888, from Rs. 100 per mensem to Rs. 60 per mensem.

No. 499.

Forwarded to the Quartermaster-General, Fort St. George, for orders.

Fort St. George,
9th February 1888.

(Signed) S. E. ATKINSON, Major,
Dy. Asst. Quartermaster-General, Eastern District,
for Brigadier-General Commdg. Eastern District.

GENERAL.
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of {1883} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated March, 3rd.

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 3rd March 1883, No. 605 W.

MARCH.

Nos. 19-20.

Royal Artillery Mess at St. Thomas' Mount

Sanctioning a reduction in the rent of the building occupied by the — from 14th December 1882 to 1st March 1883.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 9th February 1870.

No. 146. Read the following letter from the Controller of Military Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Fort St. George, 20th January 1870-E. :—

I HAVE the honour to forward a docket memorandum from the Quartermaster General submitting correspondence regarding the rent demanded by the Department of Public Works for the Artillery Mess-house at the Mount, and suggesting that the amount be fixed at Rupees 100 per mensem, the rate paid by the Artillery at Secunderabad and the European Regiment in the Fort.*

Dated 17th January 1870, No. 310.

* P. C., No. 1,209, of 4th June 1864.

2. The present rate of house-rent absorbs the monthly Mess allowance, and the expenses of the mess exceed the monthly subscriptions of the officers by Rupees 22-1-7.

Rupees. 160.

3. Under these circumstances Government, in the Department of Public Works, may see fit to fix the rent at the amount recommended by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

From the President of the Mess Committee, Royal Artillery, to the Officer Commanding Royal Artillery, Centre Division, dated Saint Thomas' Mount, 9th November 1869, No. 193.

I HAVE the honour to enclose copy of a letter from the Executive Engineer, Mount Range, by which you will observe that that Officer claims rent on the part of Government from the 14th June 1869 for the Artillery Mess-house at this station at the rate hitherto paid to the Special Committee for the settlement of the Mess funds of the late Madras Artillery, viz, Rupees 160 per mensem.

2. I beg to submit, for your consideration, that the monthly subscriptions levied from the members of this mess are at the maximum rate allowed by the regulations ; that these subscriptions, together with the Government allowance for four Batteries, amount to Rupees 282-6-5, and the expenditure, on account of servants and rent (at the above rate,) amounts to Rupees 304-8-0, Rupees 22 in excess of receipts, and this I regret to say does not include wear and tear of mess furniture, table-linen, lighting, etc.

3. Paragraph 414, page 78, Madras Army Regulations, expressly lay down that the Government allowance, the donations, and subscriptions of the members of a mess are to provide for the payment of servants, wear and tear of furniture, table-linen, etc., *in addition to house-rent*, I would respectfully suggest, therefore, the propriety of submitting the enclosed statement of receipts and expenditure from the above sources to Government, with a view to a just and equitable amount of rent proportionate with our receipts being decided upon, and, in order to arrive at this decision, I may mention that at Secunderabad, where, as at this station, there are four Batteries of Artillery and the Mess-house is the property of Government, the rent is fixed at 100 rupees per mensem, which I respectfully suggest as a fair sum for us to pay ; we are probably at a greater expense on account of establishment of servants at this station than the Royal Artillery Officers at Secunderabad, on account of the number of Honorary Members (Officers of the Regiment) employed on the staff at Madras, who can, at any time, avail themselves of all the privilege and advantages appertaining to the mess, but who pay no subscription or donation towards its maintenance.

From the Executive Engineer of the Mount Range, to the Secretary of the Royal Artillery Mess, Saint Thomas' Mount, dated 5th November 1869, No. 967.

UNDER instructions from the Superintending Engineer of the 4th Division, I have the honour to request the favour of your paying to this office the amount of house-rent due for the Artillery Mess-

house from the 14th June 1869, the date on which the building became the property of the Government, to the 31st ultimo, at the rate hitherto paid for the use of the building to the Special Committee for the settlement of the Mess funds of the late Madras Artillery.

No. 5,006½.

FORWARDED to the Quartermaster General, Fort Saint George, with reference to his endorsement, No. 7,569, of 17th December 1869.

MADRAS, *12th January* 1870.

(Signed) J. R. SMYTH, Major-General, *Commanding Centre Division.*

No. 319.

FORWARDED for the favourable consideration of Government, with a recommendation of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief that the rent of the Artillery Mess-house at the Mount may be fixed at 100 rupees per month. This arrangement will place the Artillery at the Mount on the same footing as regards rent for a Mess-house as the Artillery at Secunderabad and the European Regiment in Fort Saint George, and will allow of a portion of the monthly Mess allowance of 160 rupees, being available to meet other authorized charges connected with the maintenance of a mess.

(By Order.)

FORT ST. GEORGE, *17th January* 1870.

(Signed) A. HOWLETT, Colonel, *Acting Quartermaster General.*

TRANSFERRED, with the Quartermaster General's letter, to the Public Works Department.

FORT ST. GEORGE, *22nd January* 1870.

(Signed) A. WILDE, Colonel, *Secretary to Government, M.D.*

No. 147. ORDER THEREON, 9th February 1870, No. 451.

ACCOUNT, No. 20.

UNDER the circumstances explained in those papers and on the recommendation of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, the Government resolve to direct that the rent of the Artillery Mess-house at Saint Thomas' Mount be fixed at Rupees 100 per mensem.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Go[illegible]

To the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" Military Department.

Ed. E. C. Shunker.

Govt. of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

The Superintending Engineer,

Do. Do. Do.

Dated Public Works Office, Ootacamund, the 6th February 1883. No. 1911.

Subject: Marine Department—Residence of the Assistant Marine Superintendent at Cuddalore—Proposal to build.

Referred to: Letter from the Superintending Engineer, Trichinopoly Circle, No. 1954, dated 13th February 1883.

1954

FEBRUARY.

Nos. 148-167

Resolved that the plan of the Assistant Marine Superintendent's residence at Cuddalore, estimated at Rupees 10,000, be approved and that the sum be entered in the Budget for 1883-84.

Office of Controller of Indy. Accts.
Fort St. George 15th February 1883.

No. 695

From,

Lieut. Colonel H. C. Iveson
Offg. Controller of Indy. Accounts.

To,

Colonel E. Stanley,
Offg. Secretary to Government
Military Department.

Sir,

In forwarding Memorandum to her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, I have the honor to state that the building occupied by the Royal Artillery Mess at St. Thomas Mount, is the property of Government, that rent charged to the Mess for the said building is Rupees 100 per annum, which sum is credited to the Public Works Department.

2nd I am directed by Government to request you will forward for the information of the Secretary of State for War a Return of Officers of the Royal Artillery who have been employed on the Staff of the Colony during the year 1882.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
[illegible]
Lieut Colonel
Asst Quartermaster General

ROYAL ARTILLERY.

Royal Artillery, ~~Centre~~ District Office.

SAINT THOMAS MOUNT

No. 69 9th February 1883

From

Colonel C. R. Close

Commanding Royal Artillery, ~~Centre~~ District

To

The Major General Commanding
Eastern District
Fort Pearl Barbados

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 15th January 1883, and in reply to enclose a return of officers of the Royal Artillery employed on the Staff of this District during the year 1882.

I am to request that the Secretary of State for War may be informed that no officer of the Royal Artillery has been employed on the Staff of this District during the year 1882 except as shewn in the enclosed return.

Ho 100f per Annum during
pleasure paid out of the
Receipt of Ho 80 sterlg

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Over & above the Appointed
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Clerk Enrolled of same
Court.

Under the Command
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to Ho 80f per Annum

Thomas de Koven Esqr
Lieu
Governor of the Province of Pensylvania

Colonel
Commander in Chief of Ho Majts

Fort Saint George
9th February 1883
Rd 7th 469

Forwarded to
the Quarter Master
General Fort Saint George
for orders.

A.A. Adjutant Major
By order of the Commander
& Brigadier General Comg
Ceded

Fort Saint Thomas Head
[illegible] Thomas Mount.

"Rank Officers Mess"
Ordering Rank Certificate
to be issued for the Rank of the
Officers Mess, Staff Corps
belonging to the Presidency
of Fort St. George.

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Copy

From
The Secretary to Government
Military Department
Fort St. George

To
The Quarter Master General
Fort St. George

No. 1217
Dated 12th February 1883

Forwarded for the favorable consideration of Government with a recommendation that for the period during which only 2 Batteries of Royal Artillery are at Saint Thomas' Mount, the Scale of rent of the Mess House be reduced from Rs. 100 to Rs. 60 per Mensem.

(By order)
D. Sinclair Major
Offg. Dy. Quarter Master General

To
The Secretary to Government
Military Department

Fort Saint George
12th February 1883

Deputy Controller of Military Accts.
Forwarded.

CONTROLLER OF MILITARY ACCTS.
16 FEB 83
MADRAS.

No. 1217

Forwarded for the favorable consideration of Government with a recommendation that for the period during which only 2 Batteries of Royal Artillery are at Saint Thomas' Mount, the Scale of rent of the Mess House be reduced from Rs. 100 to Rs. 60 per Mensem.

(By order)
D. Sinclair Major
Offg. Dy. Quarter Master General

To
The Secretary to Government
Military Department

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No. 1101.

Transferred to the Public Works Department, with the recommendation of Government in the Military Dept that the Concession sought to be granted under the circumstances set forth.

(By Order)

Chas Cook
Actg Secry: to Govt

To
The Public Works Dep.

Mily. (1883.) Dept.

To

The Secretary to Govt.
Mily. Dept.
Fort St Geo.

Dated 15 February 1883.

Enclosure 2.

Forwarding with Report from the Dy Genl Recommending a Reduction in the Rent of the Mess House Rd St Thomas Mount from Rs 100 & 60 for the period during which only 2 Batteries are at the Station.

R h°. 893 of 22-2-83
Ch: E.

N°. 416 D of 22-2-85.

To-C

Ch°. 1515

For remarks
see I.P. by W

Issue L. 966 of 26-2-83.
Ch: E.

To W

No objection from an
Audit point of view - The
Question is one for the orders
of Government - I understand
that this is not a case
of a building constructed
by Govt. on the condition that
the rent shall provide for
the cost of repairs and
yield interest on cost
of construction.

Sd/ RG A
26-2-83

P. W. Department.

Read the following :—

From the Military Dept, No 1801 of 19th July 1883.

Office note from the Examiner Accts. No 966 of 26th July 83

Copy for perusal

FOR ORDERS.

The proposal
seems reasonable.

Sd/ Colley Col RE
Secretary to Govt. P.W.D.

Madras
27th July 1883

FOR ORDERS.

No. 693 Wdy 3rd March 83

The Contract with the
Reduced to Rs 60 per
Measure from the
14th December 1882 to 31st
March 1883 as sanc-
tioned by the Military
Department

Lo. 451 - 9-2-70

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Lo. The Secretary to the Govt
of Madras
Military Dept

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R. a. Recs at St Thomas' Mount.

Land taking a reduction in the rent of the building occupied by the [illegible] from 14 Dec: 82 to [illegible]

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Entered in the Receipt Book