

28TH MARCH 1884, No. 849 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

READ—the following letter from Colonel J. BEATTY, R.E., Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Coimbatore, 21st March 1884, No. 161 E.W. :—

As directed in paragraph 426 of the Public Works Code, I have the honor to request sanction to the proceedings taken by the Executive Engineer, Nilgiris against the Misses Ward to obtain possession of "Waterloo Cottage," one of the buildings on Bombay Hill, Ootacamund.

2. The cottage was urgently wanted by the Military authorities, and at their suggestion the Executive Engineer offered to waive all claims on account of rent due; but the people in occupation will neither pay up nor vacate. Hence the necessity for legal proceedings.

ORDER—dated 28th March 1884, No. 849 W., Public Works.

Legal proceedings should be taken as proposed. Such measures should have been adopted earlier on refusal by the occupants to pay rent.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle.
,, Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
,, Military Department.

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Waterloo Cottage

Sanctioning the institution of legal proceedings for obtaining possession of — on Bombay Hill, Ootacamund, from the Misses Ward.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

17th May 1884, No. 2330.

Quarters—Office.

Read the following papers:—

No. 175. From Brigadier-General R. C. STEWART, Quarter Master General, to Lieutenant-Colonel A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Officiating Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Fort St. George, 8th April 1884, No. 2450.

With reference to the correspondence printed in O.G., No. 870, dated 21st February 1884, and the orders therein passed, I have the honor, by desire of the Commander-in-Chief, to bring the following circumstances connected with the buildings lately purchased at Ootacamund for the head-quarter offices to the notice of Government.

2. One of the buildings, called "Wellington Cottage" on Bombay Castle Hill, is in the occupation of two milliners, named the Misses Ward. It is reported that they hold the cottage on a lease, which will not expire before August 1884, and it appears that they have paid no rent to Government for the building from the date Government had become owners of the property.

3. A later communication from Mr. Sutherland Orr, Solicitor to the Executive Engineer, Nilgiris, states that the Sub-Judge at Ootacamund holds the opinion that "they are entitled to occupy the greater portion of it rent free from July 1881 for three years, whilst as to the remainder they are to pay Rs. 20 a month rent." Mr. Sutherland Orr adds, "I have interviewed the Solicitors of the people who sold Bombay Castle to Government, and they tell me that the Sub-Judge's decision is quite wrong."

4. It is understood that Government purchased the several buildings of Bombay Castle Hill, subject to such leases as were in existence.

5. Under the circumstances therefore, I am to suggest that the opinion of the Government Solicitor may be taken on the matter. The building in question is indispensably required to complete the accommodation of the head-quarter staff offices, it being intended for the Judge Advocate-General, who is at present inconveniently provided for as a temporary arrangement.

6. The correspondence on the subject is enclosed.

No. 176. From the Government Solicitor, Madras; dated 26th April 1884, No. 232.

No. 177. ORDER THEREON, 17th May 1884, No. 2330.

The Government are advised that the present occupants of Wellington Cottage cannot be ejected from the portion of the building held by them under lease.

2. With reference to that portion of the premises for which the tenants are
 * Proceedings of Government, No. 849-W., liable to be charged, the result of the
 dated 28th March 1884. legal proceedings already ordered * will
 Military No. 1683, dated 8th April 1884. be awaited.

3. There is hardly time now to take up the premises under the Land Acquisition Act.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Lt.-Col.,
Offg. Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General.
 „ Public Works Department.
 „ Adjutant-General. for information.

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To

THE QUARTER MASTER GENERAL,
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To the Quarter Master General.
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