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15TH FEBRUARY 1884, No. 408 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

General.
Account.

READ—the following papers:—

From Brigadier-General R. C. STEWART, Quartermaster-General, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Fort St. George, 11th February 1884, No. 907.

Adverting to Proceedings of Government, No. 240, dated 17th January 1884, I have the honor, by order, to forward copies of correspondence which has passed between this office and the Executive Engineer, Nilgiris, regarding repairs to Bombay Castle; and to submit, for the consideration of Government, that, as the whole of the Army Head Quarter offices are to be moved up to Ootacamund, and every building attached to Bombay Castle will be necessarily required for their accommodation, it is desirable very early orders should issue, in the Public Works Department, sanctioning the necessary expenditure for rendering *all* the buildings in question suitable for occupation with the least possible delay; for, though as yet the date of the transfer of the offices from Madras is not fixed, it may be anticipated that it will take place before the 1st April next.

ENCLOSURES.

From Brigadier-General R. C. STEWART, Quartermaster-General, to the Executive Engineer, Nilgiris, dated Fort St. George, 4th February 1884, No. 676.

Sanction having been received from Her Majesty's Government for the permanent transfer of Army Head Quarters from Madras to Ootacamund (the date of removal and other detailed orders on the subject to follow), I have the honor, by order, to request you will be so good as to take the necessary steps for all the adjoining buildings in Bombay Castle, purchased by Government, being put in thorough repair at once, so that they may be ready for occupation by the several Army Head Quarter offices at the shortest notice.

2. I am to request that the completion of the repairs may be intimated to this office as soon as possible.

From J. C. LARMINIE, Esq., Executive Engineer, Nilgiri Division, to the Quartermaster-General, dated Ootacamund, 8th February 1884, No. 1101.

With reference to your letter, No. 676, of 4th instant, be so good as to inform me when it is likely that the Bombay Hill buildings will be required. If at about the time when Government usually return to the hills, I fear it will not be possible to have the buildings in thorough repair; this I take to mean to refer principally to the soundness of the roofs. Shortly after the departure of the offices last season, I proposed, knowing the generally leaky condition of the roofs, that thorough repairs, either in the shape of new tiles or else the provision of corrugated iron under the existing tiles, should be carried out; but my proposal was not sanctioned. Ordinary repairs, in the shape of clearing, whitewashing, glazing, &c., I shall put in hand at once.

No. 674, Military.

Approved and transferred to the Public Works Department for issue of the necessary orders.

(By Order).

FORT ST. GEORGE,
12th February 1884.

(Signed)

A. R. KENNEY-HERBERT, Lieut.-Colonel,
Officiating Secretary to Government.

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ORDER—dated 15th February 1884, No. 408 W., Public Works.

The Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, will take immediate steps for placing the buildings connected with Bombay Castle in such a state of repair as will admit of their occupation, so far as possible, by the 1st April 1884. An officer of the Quartermaster-General's Department will be at once deputed to Ootacamund, to consult with the Executive Engineer as to what can be done in the short time available.

2. The cost will, in the first instance, be charged to "Provincial," to which head the purchase of the building was debited.

3. A statement should, as soon as possible, be submitted showing the total expenditure on the buildings under—

(a) Original Works.

(b) Repairs.

On receipt of this information, the question of the transfer of the charge to the head "Military Works" will be considered.

(True Extract.)

Major, R.E.,
Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle (with copy of
demi-official letter from Quartermaster-General).
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
" Military Department.

Exd. E. Fernandez.
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GENERAL.
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of 1884 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated February, 15th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 15th Feb. 1884, No. 408 W.

FEBRUARY.

Bombay Castle, Ootacamund

The Superintending Engineer, IV Circle,
directed to carry out such repairs to the
buildings connected with the —, as to admit
of their occupation, so far as possible, by
1st April 1884.

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QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,

HEAD-QUARTERS,

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My dear Shaw Stewart,

Thanks for your
note all books enclosed
with which I return
herewith - having attended
the S.G. - I will go up to do by
triple next week - Fri-
day week - having to
see else to depate, and
confer with the Secy. Capt.
I cannot go before next
date unfortunately

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as possible,

but meanwhile the Exec.
Sup. can do what he
feels necessary to the 3
or 4 principal blocks
which there is no
question must remain
as they are and will all
be wanted by us.

The Chief under present
circumstances must
like us to make the
best of what there is &
not to think of

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unmoving any buildings
because he would be
unwilling to ask for
any expenditure in
replacing them. Make
himself that we shall
be able to do quite well
enough with existing
houses - but as I have
no personal knowledge
of them I only say this
from the general idea.

QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Fort Saint George.
11th February 1884.

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No. 907.

From

THE QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL.

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

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transfer of the Offices from Madras
is not fixed, it may be anticipated
that it will take place before
the 1st April next. -

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedt. Servant,
D. S. Woodroffe Major
Depty. Q. M. General.

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Military (1884) Department.

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From THE QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL,
To THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Approved and
transferred to the
Public Works Dept for
issue of the necessary
orders.
(By order)
A. Menzies Herbert Lt Col
Offg Secy to Govt.

No. 907

Dated 11 Feb
Recd 11 Feb

ENCLOSURES 1

Regarding early
repairs to Bombay
Castle for offices of
the H.Q. Staff.

The question of reconformation by
Military (Imperial) to Provisional
of the Govt (some 80,000/-)
incurred in purchase of
Bombay Castle property,
must be borne in mind.

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Arthur Smith

Enclosures

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QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Fort Saint George,
4 February 1884.

No. 676

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From THE QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL,
To THE Executive Engineer
Nilgiris.

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from Her Majesty's Government for
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I have &c.
(Signed) D. J. S. in lead major
Depy. Q. M. General.

Madras D. P. W.
Executive Engineer's Office,
Nilgiri Division
Ootacamund 8 Feb'y. 1884.

No. 1101.

From

The Executive Engineer
Nilgiri Division,
Ootacamund.

To

The Quarter Master General,
Fort Saint George.

Sir

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(Signed) J. C. Laminie.
Executive Engineer.

(True Copies)

D. J. S. in lead Major
Depy. Q. M. General.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government
under date the 15th Feb^y 1884
Read the following

Letter from the Quarter-
Master-General H.C. N^o 907 of 11th Feb^y 1884
Endorsement thereon by
the Mil^y: Sept. — " — 674 of 12th Feb^y 1884.

The Suptg. Engr.

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so far as possible,
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S. E. IV. Circle (on the copy of d/o letter from S. M. to Genl.)
Ex. P. W. Accts. J. P. 15/2
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Govt. of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

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Dated

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15 July 4 40820.

Bombay Castle
Cost account

Messrs. IV Circle
directed to carry out
such repairs to the
buildings connected
with the — as to
admit of their occupation
so far as possible
by 1st April 1884.

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