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To
THE QUARTER MASTER GENERAL,
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To the Superintending Engineer,
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MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

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Secretary to Government.

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No. 1022.

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(By Order.)

FORT ST. GEORGE, 16th February 1886.
To the Quarter Master General.

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

No. 318. From Colonel E. FAUNCE, Officiating Quarter Master General, to Lieutenant-Colonel A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Bangalore, 23rd February 1886, No. 20-T.

Adverting to this office telegram, No. 414-B., dated 2nd, and your No. 1022, dated 16th instant, I have the honor, by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to submit the following for the consideration and orders of Government.

2. Sir Frederick Roberts, before leaving this Presidency, had it in contemplation to apply to Wellington the system now generally adopted in other Presidencies under which a hill station is no longer used solely as a depôt for convalescents, but as a station for a regiment or part of a regiment of British Infantry combined with a depôt, to which men of regiments in the plains can be sent for change of air during the hot season.

3. This system has the advantage of giving a certain number of men the benefit of the climate of a hill station during the winter months without detaching them from regiments, and in fact fully utilizes a hill station during a time of the year when under present practice it is but very partially occupied.

4. Lieutenant-General Rowlands having given the subject his fullest consideration was about to propose that the head-quarters and wing of the British Infantry Regiment at Cannanore, the climate of which station is most unsuitable for Europeans especially for the long period of an ordinary tour of service (four years) of a regiment in a station, should be removed to Wellington and be located in the barracks there, which it is calculated would accommodate the wing as well as the number of convalescents for whom a change to that station would be an absolute necessity, and was in hopes that his proposal, which has met with the full concurrence of the Surgeon-General, Her Majesty's Forces, would be carried out with but very small extra expense to the State.

5. But this is not possible now that a Mountain Battery is also to be placed at Wellington; Lieutenant-General Rowlands strongly hopes, however, that the wishes of the Government of India in this respect having been met will not be allowed to interfere with the proposal to locate the head-quarters of a British Infantry Battalion there—a measure in all respects very desirable.

6. The existing accommodation will just admit of a wing of British Infantry being placed in the barracks at Wellington, with the European portion of a Mountain Battery, after reserving space for 390 convalescents. The Commander-in-Chief, therefore, makes the following proposals:—

- The European portion of a Mountain Battery;
- A convalescent depôt of about 390 men;
- The head-quarters and four companies (about 500 of all ranks) of the British Infantry Battalion at Cannanore; to be quartered at Wellington.
- A barrack, with the necessary subsidiary buildings,* to be provided, at an early date, for the Mountain Battery:—a special and extraordinary grant of funds being made for the

* Canteen, library, recreation room, staff sergeants' quarters, &c.

- The strength of the British Infantry to be increased to five companies (about 600 men of all ranks) when barracks have been erected for the Mountain Battery.

7. It will be necessary that the buildings as per margin should be provided at once before the arrival of the battery; existing buildings at Wellington do not admit of even temporary provision being made for these requirements, nor can they be sited conveniently with reference to any existing barrack. It will be necessary to provide funds for these buildings at once, and Lieutenant-General Rowlands would most strongly urge that the grant required must be extra to the normal grant for Military works for this Presidency, the amount of which is limited and the demands on which are so great that it is impossible to meet from it unexpected changes such as these.

Blacksmiths' shop.
Boiling-house for infirmary stables.
Carpenters' and collar-makers' shops.
Gun shed.
Harness room.
Hospital stable.
Mule stables and terraces.
Lines for drivers.
" " mustered followers.
Magazine.
Manege.
Orderly room.
Picquet guard room for night at stables.
Quarter guard.
Store room.

8. To summarize, the proposals now made are that—

- The head-quarters and five companies (about 600 of all ranks) of a battalion of British Infantry;
 - A Mountain Battery; and
 - A Convalescent Depôt of about 390 men; to be quartered at Wellington.
- That the European portion of the Mountain Battery be temporarily quartered in the existing barracks;
 - That sanction be accorded to the building, at an early date, of a barrack and all necessary subsidiary buildings for the battery;
 - That the essential buildings enumerated in para. 6 be at once erected, a special and extra grant being at once given for the purpose, there being no possibility of providing the funds from the military works budget allotment for the year; and
 - That until the barrack alluded to in Clause (3) is completed, the strength of British Infantry at Wellington be reduced to head-quarters and four companies (about 500 of all ranks).

9. A statement showing the accommodation available at Wellington and how it is proposed to distribute it is annexed.

Statement of accommodation at Wellington.

Arm of service.	Numbers for whom accommodation will be required approximately.				Barrack Buildings.	Accommodation available.		
	Staff Sergeants A.	Staff Sergeants B.	Married men.	Single men.		Staff Sergeants A.	Married Quarters.	Single Men's Quarters.
* Head-quarters and four Companies, British Infantry.	3	...	...	...	Two barrack blocks and two rooms in a third	3	...	...
Convalescent Depôt.	...	3	...	...	Two barrack blocks	4	...	...
Mountain Battery.	...	...	10	...	Two rooms in a barrack block	...	50	...
Total	6	13	100	878	Total	7	120	880

(Signed) E. FAUNCE, Colonel,
Offg. Quarter Master General.

Return of Barrack Buildings, Convalescent Depôt, Wellington.

Description of building.	Accommodation.	Remarks as to out-houses, &c.	Description of building.	Accommodation.	Remarks as to out-houses, &c.
5 Blocks—Barracks (upper storied).	Each block contains accommodation for 176 single men (including eight Sergeants), so that the five blocks can accommodate 880 men (including 40 Sergeants).	With latrines and wash-houses detached.	1 Canteen block (upper storied).	Soldiers' canteen, bar, store rooms, &c., eight rooms. Non-commissioned Officers' do. do. five rooms.	
1 Staff Block (upper storied).	Seven Staff Sergeants' quarters, each four rooms. Orderly room and Staff office, three rooms. Pay and Quarter Masters' office, two rooms. Court-martial room. Telegraph office, two rooms. Tailors' shop, two rooms. Shoe-makers', one room. Carpenters', two rooms. Quarter Master's stores, two rooms. Barrack, two rooms. Sergeants' mess, five rooms. Guard room and prison, three rooms.	Latrine detached.	4 Blocks (married quarters). 1 Magazine. 1 Racquet court. 1 Plunge bath. 4 Skittle alleys. 1 Armourer's shop.	Canteen Sergeants, do. two rooms. Each block for 30 families or for 120 families in all.	With latrines and wash-houses detached.
1 School Block (upper storied).	Boys' school, one room ... Girls' do. Infants' do. Schoolmaster's quarters, three rooms. Schoolmistress's quarters, three rooms. Library and recreation rooms, four rooms.	Latrines for children detached.	Hospital, two blocks (single storied). Guard room and three cells.	Seven wards for 69 men. One ward for seven women. Surgery, one room. Dispensary, one room. Store rooms, two rooms. Assistant Apothecary's quarters, five rooms. Nurses' quarters, two rooms.	Detached cook-house, wash-houses and latrines. Detached cook-houses and latrine.

(Signed) E. FAUNCE, Colonel,
Offg. Quarter Master General.

No. 319. *Extract of a letter from Colonel E. FAUNCE, Officiating Quarter Master General, to Lieutenant-Colonel A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Secy. to Govt., Military Department; dated Ootacamund, 15th March 1886, No. 1034-A.*

Para. 2. I am to take this opportunity of mentioning that, before submitting the proposal for reducing the numbers of British Troops in the Malabar District, the Commander-in-Chief had obtained the opinion of Mr. Logan, the Collector of the District, who considered that three and a half companies of a British Regiment, divided as marginally noted, would be sufficient for all requirements as regards local disturbances. Mr. Logan added an expression of his opinion that, for the better protection of the western terminus of the Madras Railway, it would be desirable to have the rest of the regiment at Calicut or thereabouts.

Cannanore	...	1	Company.
Calicut	...	1	do.
Malapuram	...	1½	Companies.
		—	
		3½	Companies.

3. His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, however, can scarcely think any such measure necessary; for, in the event of a war with a European power, which alone could make a descent on the coast by sea, steps could be taken, if at the time considered necessary, to temporarily strengthen the garrison of Calicut to such extent as might be desirable.

No. 1858.

Referred to the Judicial Department for favor of *very early* remarks on His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief's proposal to place at Wellington in future the head-quarters and five companies of the regiment of British Infantry now located at Cannanore.

(By Order.)

FORT ST. GEORGE,
23rd *March* 1886.

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

No. 320. From Colonel J. BEATTY, R.E., Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department; dated Ootacamund, 3rd May 1886, No. 129-C.—E.W.

As directed in G.O., No. 824-W., of 25th March 1886, I have the honor to submit approximate estimates, amounting to Rs. 2,64,653, for the construction of the Battery of Royal Artillery.

2. All the buildings specified as required for a Mountain Battery in standard plans have been included, with the exception of those specified as *not* required in Quarter Master General's No. 754-A of 25th February 1886.

Approximate estimate for a Mountain Battery Barracks at Wellington.

Approximate estimate for a Mountain.					Sub-heads.	Area.	Rate.			Amount.		
Description of Buildings.							RS.	A.	P.	RS.		
Married quarters	...	...	...	...	{	Quarters ...	5,692	5	0	0	28,460	
						Kitchen ...	491	4	0	0	1,964	
						Latrine and lavatory.	1,003	3	8	0	3,510	
						Quarters ...	5,010	5	0	0	25,050	
Single men	...	...	...	...	{	Kitchen ...	386	4	0	0	1,544	
						Latrine and lavatory.	1,324	3	8	0	4,634	
							1,039	4	0	0	4,156	
							...	...	...	...	750	
Blacksmiths' workshop ...					...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Boiling house for infirmary stable ...					...	1,540	2	8	0	3,850		
Bowling alley ...					...	800	4	0	0	3,200		
Carpenters' and collar-makers' workshop ...					...	{	sq. yds.	{	2	0	0*	450
Cricket ground ...					...							
Day room ...					...	1,320	3	8	0	4,620		
Dry store room for Commissariat Department ...					...	240	4	0	0	960		
Fives court... ..					...	1,932	3	8	0	6,762		
Furniture store room ...					...	525	3	0	0	1,575		
Gun shed ...					...	1,983	5	0	0	9,915		
Gymnasium ...					...	4,149	4	0	0	16,596		
Harness room ...					...	5,281	4	0	0	21,124		
Hospital stable ...					...	4,267	3	8	0	14,934		
Library ...					...	516	5	0	0	2,580		
Lines for mustered followers ...					...	4,800	2	0	0	9,600		
Lock hospital ...					...	504	3	0	0	1,512		
Magazine ...					...	196	7	0	0	1,372		
Mule terraces ...					...	19,224	1	0	0	19,224		
Mess house for Sergeant and rank and file ...					...	2,120	5	0	0	10,600		
Orderly room ...					...	756	3	8	0	2,646		
Picquet guard and night stables ...					...	270	3	8	0	945		
Quarter guard and cells ...					...	...	...	...	...	6,000		
Quarter Master's battery room ...					...	504	3	8	0	1,764		
Recreation room, general ...					...	1,560	3	0	0	4,680		
Regimental store room ...					...	1,400	2	8	0	3,500		
Sentry box, moveable ...					...	9	6	0	0	54		
Stables ...					...	24,522	1	8	0	36,783		
Staff Sergeant's quarters ...					...	...	...	...	...	9,000		
Store room ...					...	...	...	...	...	339		
Total approximate value ...					...	...	...	...	...	2,64,653		

* Rate for 100 feet.

(Signed) A. C. SMITH, Major, R.E.,
Executive Engineer.

No. 87-D.

Forwarded to the Military Department, with advertence to G.O., No. 824-W., dated 25th March 1886.

OOTACAMUND,
5th May 1886.

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

No. 2751.

Referred to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, with advertence to O.G., No. 2169, dated 5th April 1886.

(By Order.)

OOTACAMUND,
6th May 1886.

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

To the Quarter Master General.

No. 321. From Colonel O. R. NEWMARCH, Offg. Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, to Lieut.-Colonel A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Secretary to the Government of Madras, Military Department; dated Simla, 22nd May 1886, No. 521-C.

Distribution of Army—Movements of Troops.

I am directed to refer to Military Department telegram No. 362-C., dated 15th February 1886, and to ask that, under the orders of the Governor in Council, the submission of the scheme for the location of the head-quarters' wing of a British Infantry Regiment at Wellington, together with the information therein called for, may be expedited.

No. 3282.

Referred to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, with advertence to the Military Department No. 2751, dated 6th May 1886, for favor of information as to the cost of the proposed buildings at Wellington.

(By Order.)

OOTACAMUND,
1st June 1886.

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

To the Quarter Master General.

No. 322. Telegram from the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Military Department, Ootacamund, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Simla; dated 1st June 1886, No. 3281.

Your 521-C., 22nd ultimo. As proposal involved removal of British Regiment from Cannanore, detachments being left at Calicut and Malapuram, the Civil Department was consulted, and has decided with reference to recent events in district of Malabar that the proposal cannot be entertained at present. In these circumstances the question has been held in abeyance.

No. 323. From Colonel E. FAUNCE, Officiating Quarter Master General, to Lieutenant-Colonel A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Ootacamund, 2nd June 1886, No. 2000-A.

In returning the papers received under reference order, No. 3282, of 1st June 1886, I have the honor, by order, to

	RS.
1. Blacksmiths' shop	4,156
2. Gram-boiling house	750
3. Carpenters' and collar-makers' shops	3,200
4. Gun shed	9,915
5. Harness rooms	21,124
6. Hospital stable	14,934
7. Mule "	36,783
8. " terraces	19,224
9. Lines, followers	9,600
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12. Picket guard	945
13. Quarter "	6,000
14. Store room	339

Total ... 1,30,988

state that if a head-quarters' wing of British Infantry alone is to be placed at Wellington with the convalescent depôt, no additional buildings whatever will be required at that station; if, however, a British Mountain Battery is to be located there as well, the buildings mentioned in para. 6 of this office letter No. 20-T., dated 23rd February 1886, the cost of each of which is noted in the margin ought, in the opinion of the Commander-in-Chief, to be provided before the battery is sent up.

2. As it will be impossible to site the stables and other buildings for the battery in a convenient or suitable position with reference to the existing barracks, &c., new barracks, &c., and all subsidiary buildings for the battery, as enumerated in the list, lock hospital excepted, furnished by the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, in Proceedings of Government, No. 2751, dated 6th May (which is herewith returned), will have to be provided ultimately.

No. 324. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Judicial Department; dated 4th June 1886, No. 1466, Miscellaneous.

Read again—

G.O., 1st April 1886, No. 856.

Read also the following :—

Letter from Inspector-General of Police; dated 3rd April 1886, No. 1748.

Letter from the District Magistrate, Malabar; dated 5th April 1886, No. 1360.

Para. 2. And while I am on this subject I trust it will not be considered out of place in me to suggest that all three detachments should be made as effective as possible by training some of the men at each place to the use of explosives, as well as in serving the small howitzers furnished to the detachment at Malapuram. The Mappilla fanatics have of late taken to fighting from behind stone-walls with fire-arms, so that something more than musket and bayonet, which used to suffice in former days to stop the frantic rushes then usual, is required. Of the 100 and odd men from the Oxfordshire Light Infantry and Royal Fusiliers present at the Trikkalur affair in December 1884, no one knew how to use dynamite, and if I, with no experience of the article, never having even seen it before, had not myself undertaken the task of Engineer, it is highly probable that we should have had to wait in front of the temple until guns had been brought from Madras. Each detachment should carry with it into the field explosives for forcing any one of the many very strong houses and temples scattered throughout the district, and some men in each detachment should be trained in using these explosives. After the Trikkalur affair in December 1884, this matter received, I know, the attention

which its importance deserves; but detachments change frequently and the necessity which forced the matter on the attention of the officers at that time is apt to be lost sight of by their successors, so that a general standing order on the subject is required.

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Order.—The Government are of opinion that the question of removing the head-quarters and wing of the British Regiment, now stationed at Cannanore from the Malabar District, should lie over for the present.

2. The observations contained in para. 2 of the District Magistrate's letter read above will be brought to the notice of the Military Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. F. WEBSTER,
Chief Secretary.

No. 325.

ORDER THEREON, 28th June 1886, No. 3823.

Ordered that the foregoing Proceedings of Government in the Judicial Department be communicated to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief for consideration with reference to the Magistrate's suggestion noticed in para. 2, and the correspondence forwarded to the Government of India.

No. 326. *To the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department; dated 28th June 1886, No. 3824.*

(True Extract.)

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

To the Quarter Master General.

- „ Adjutant-General.
- „ Commissary-General.
- „ Surgeon-General, Her Majesty's Forces, Madras.
- „ Controller of Military Accounts.
- „ Judicial Department.
- „ Public Works Department.
- „ Inspector-General of Ordnance, for information.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

P.W.D.
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16th February 1886. Secretary to Government.
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No. From Colonel E. FAUNCE, Officiating Quarter Master General, to Lieutenant-Colonel A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Bangalore, 23rd February 1886, No. 20-T.

Adverting to this office telegram, No. 414-B., dated 2nd, and your No. 1022, dated 16th instant, I have the honor, by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to submit the following for the consideration and orders of Government.

2. Sir Frederick Roberts, before leaving this Presidency, had it in contemplation to apply to Wellington the system now generally adopted in other Presidencies under which a hill station is no longer used solely as a depôt for convalescents, but as a station for a regiment or part of a regiment of British Infantry combined with a depôt, to which men of regiments in the plains can be sent for change of air during the hot season.

3. This system has the advantage of giving a certain number of men the benefit of the climate of a hill station during the winter months without detaching them from regiments, and in fact fully utilizes a hill station during a time of the year when under present practice it is but very partially occupied.

4. Lieutenant-General Rowlands having given the subject his fullest consideration was about to propose that the head-quarters and wing of the British Infantry Regiment at Cannanore, the climate of which station is most unsuitable for Europeans especially for the long period of an ordinary tour of service (four years) of a regiment in a station, should be removed to Wellington and be located in the barracks there, which it is calculated would accommodate the wing as well as the number of convalescents for whom a change to that station would be an absolute necessity, and was in hopes that his proposal, which has met with the full concurrence of the Surgeon-General, Her Majesty's Forces, would be carried out with but very small extra expense to the State.

5. But this is not possible now that a Mountain Battery is also to be placed at Wellington; Lieutenant-General Rowlands strongly hopes, however, that the wishes of the Government of India in this respect having been met will not be allowed to interfere with the proposal to locate the head-quarters of a British Infantry Battalion there—a measure in all respects very desirable.

6. The existing accommodation will just admit of a wing of British Infantry being placed in the barracks at Wellington, with the European portion of a Mountain Battery, after reserving space for 390 convalescents. The Commander-in-Chief, therefore, makes the following proposals:—

- The European portion of a Mountain Battery;
- A convalescent depôt of about 390 men;
- The head-quarters and four companies (about 500 of all ranks) of the British Infantry Battalion at Cannanore; to be quartered at Wellington.
- A barrack, with the necessary subsidiary buildings,* to be provided, at an early date, for the Mountain Battery:—a special and extraordinary grant of funds being made for the purpose in order to secure their rapid completion;

* Canteen, library, recreation room, staff sergeants' quarters, &c.

- The strength of the British Infantry to be increased to five companies (about 600 men of all ranks) when barracks have been erected for the Mountain Battery.

7. It will be necessary that the buildings as per margin should be provided at once before the arrival of the battery; existing buildings at Wellington do not admit of even temporary provision being made for these requirements, nor can they be sited conveniently with reference to any existing barrack. It will be necessary to provide funds for these buildings at once, and Lieutenant-General Rowlands would most strongly urge that the grant required must be extra to the normal grant for Military works for this Presidency, the amount of which is limited and the demands on which are so great that it is impossible to meet from it unexpected changes such as these.

8. To summarize, the proposals now made are that—

- The head-quarters and five companies (about 600 of all ranks) of a battalion of British Infantry;
 - A Mountain Battery; and
 - A Convalescent Depôt of about 390 men; to be quartered at Wellington.
- That the European portion of the Mountain Battery be temporarily quartered in the existing barracks;
 - That sanction be accorded to the building, at an early date, of a barrack and all necessary subsidiary buildings for the battery;
 - That the essential buildings enumerated in para. 6 be at once erected, a special and extra grant being at once given for the purpose, there being no possibility of providing the funds from the military works budget allotment for the year; and
 - That until the barrack alluded to in Clause (3) is completed, the strength of British Infantry at Wellington be reduced to head-quarters and four companies (about 500 of all ranks).

9. A statement showing the accommodation available at Wellington and how it is proposed to distribute it is annexed.

Statement of accommodation at Wellington.

Arm of service.	Numbers for whom accommodation will be required approximately.				Barrack Buildings.	Accommodation available.		
	Staff Sergeants A.	Staff Sergeants B.	Married men.	Single men.		Staff Sergeants A.	Married Quarters.	Single Men's Quarters.
Head-quarters and four Companies, British Infantry.	3	4	50	434	Two barrack blocks and two rooms in a third	3	6	440
Convalescent Depôt.	3	3	40	350	Two barrack blocks	3	10	352
Mountain Battery.	...	...	10	94	Two rooms in a barrack block	...	...	88
Total	6	13	100	878	Total	7	120	880

(Signed) E. FAUNCE, Colonel,
Offg. Quarter Master General.

Return of Barrack Buildings, Convalescent Depot, Wellington.

Description of building.	Accommodation.	Remarks as to out-houses, &c.	Description of building.	Accommodation.	Remarks as to out-houses, &c.
5 Blocks—Barracks (upper storied).	Each block contains accommodation for 176 single men (including eight Sergeants), so that the five blocks can accommodate 880 men (including 40 Sergeants).	With latrines and wash-houses detached.	1 Canteen block (upper storied).	Soldiers' canteen, bar, store rooms, &c., eight rooms. Non-commissioned Officers' do. do. five rooms.	
1 Staff Block (upper storied).	Seven Staff Sergeants' quarters, each four rooms. Orderly room and Staff office, three rooms. Pay and Quarter Masters' office, two rooms. Court-martial room. Telegraph office, two rooms. Tailors' shop, two rooms. Shoe-makers', one room. Carpenters', two rooms. Quarter Master's stores, two rooms. Barrack, two rooms. Sergeants' mess, five rooms. Guard room and prison, three rooms.	Latrine detached.	4 Blocks (married quarters). 1 Magazine. 1 Racquet court. 1 Plunge bath. 4 Skittle alleys. 1 Armourer's shop. Hospital, two blocks (single storied).	Canteen Sergeants, do. two rooms. Each block for 30 families or for 120 families in all. Seven wards for 69 men. One ward for seven women. Surgery, one room. Dispensary, one room. Store rooms, two rooms. Assistant Apothecary's quarters, five rooms. Nurses' quarters, two rooms.	With latrines and wash-houses detached. Detached cook-house, wash-houses and latrines. ... Detached cook-houses and latrine.
1 School Block (upper storied).	Boys' school, one room. Girls' do. Infants' do. Schoolmaster's quarters, three rooms. Schoolmistress's quarters, three rooms. Library and recreation rooms, four rooms.	Latrines for children detached.	Guard room and three cells.		

(Signed) E. FAUNCE, Colonel,
Offg. Quarter Master General.

No. Extract of a letter from Colonel E. FAUNCE, Officiating Quarter Master General, to Lieutenant-Colonel A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Secy. to Govt., Military Department; dated Ootacamund, 15th March 1886, No. 1034-A.

Para. 2. I am to take this opportunity of mentioning that, before submitting the proposal for reducing the numbers of British Troops in the Malabar District, the Commander-in-Chief had obtained the opinion of Mr. Logan, the Collector of the District, who considered that three and a half companies of a British Regiment, divided as marginally noted, would be sufficient for all requirements as regards local disturbances. Mr. Logan added an expression of his opinion that, for the better protection of the western terminus of the Madras Railway, it would be desirable to have the rest of the regiment at Calicut or thereabouts.

Cannanore	...	1 Company.
Calicut	...	1 do.
Malapuram	...	1½ Companies.
		3½ Companies.

3. His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, however, can scarcely think any such measure necessary; for, in the event of a war with a European power, which alone could make a descent on the coast by sea, steps could be taken, if at the time considered necessary, to temporarily strengthen the garrison of Calicut to such extent as might be desirable.

No. 1858.

Referred to the Judicial Department for favor of *very early* remarks on His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief's proposal to place at Wellington in future the head-quarters and five companies of the regiment of British Infantry now located at Cannanore.

(By Order.)

FORT ST. GEORGE,
23rd March 1886.

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

No. From Colonel J. BEATTY, R.E., Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department; dated Ootacamund, 3rd May 1886, No. 129-C.—E.W.

As directed in G.O., No. 824-W., of 25th March 1886, I have the honor to submit approximate estimates, amounting to Rs. 2,64,653, for the construction of one approximate estimate.

at Wellington of barracks, &c., for a Mountain Battery of Royal Artillery.
2. All the buildings specified as required for a Mountain Battery in standard plans have been included, with the exception of those specified as *not* required in Quarter Master General's No. 754-A of 25th February 1886.

Approximate estimate for a Mountain Battery Barracks at Wellington.

Description of Buildings.	Sub-heads.	Area.	Rate.	Amount.
			RS. A. P.	RS.
Married quarters	Quarters ...	5,692	5 0 0	28,460
	Kitchen ...	491	4 0 0	1,964
	Latrine and lavatory.	1,003	3 8 0	3,510
	Quarters ...	5,010	5 0 0	25,050
	Kitchen ...	386	4 0 0	1,544
Single men	Latrine and lavatory.	1,324	3 8 0	4,634
		1,039	4 0 0	4,156
Blacksmiths' workshop		...	...	750
Boiling house for infirmary stable		1,540	2 8 0	3,850
Bowling alley		800	4 0 0	3,200
Carpenters' and collar-makers' workshop		sq. yds. 225	2 0 0*	450
Cricket ground		1,320	3 8 0	4,620
Day room		240	4 0 0	960
Dry store room for Commissariat Department		1,932	3 8 0	6,762
Fives court		525	3 0 0	1,575
Furniture store room		1,983	5 0 0	9,915
Gun shed		4,149	4 0 0	16,596
Gymnasium		5,281	4 0 0	21,124
Harness room		4,267	3 8 0	14,934
Hospital stable		516	5 0 0	2,580
Library		4,800	2 0 0	9,600
Lines for mustered followers		504	3 0 0	1,512
Lock hospital		196	7 0 0	1,372
Magazine		19,224	1 0 0	19,224
Mule terraces		2,120	5 0 0	10,600
Mess house for Sergeant and rank and file		756	3 8 0	2,646
Orderly room		270	3 8 0	945
Picquet guard and night stables		...	...	6,000
Quarter guard and cells		504	3 8 0	1,764
Quarter Master's battery room		1,560	3 0 0	4,680
Recreation room, general		1,400	2 8 0	3,500
Regimental store room		9	6 0 0	54
Sentry box, moveable		24,522	1 8 0	36,783
Stables		...	...	9,000
Staff Sergeant's quarters		...	...	339
Store room		...	...	2,64,653
Total approximate value				

* Rate for 100 feet.

(Signed) A. C. SMITH, Major, R.E.,
Executive Engineer.

No. 87-D.

Forwarded to the Military Department, with advertence to G.O., No. 824-W., dated 25th March 1886.

OOTACAMUND,
5th May 1886.

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

No. 2751.

Referred to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, with advertence to O.G., No. 2169, dated 5th April 1886.

(By Order.)

OOTACAMUND,
6th May 1886.

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

To the Quarter Master General.

No. From Colonel O. R. NEWMARCH, Offg. Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, to Lieut.-Colonel A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Secretary to the Government of Madras, Military Department; dated Simla, 22nd May 1886, No. 521-C.

Distribution of Army—Movements of Troops.

I am directed to refer to Military Department telegram No. 362-C., dated 15th February 1886, and to ask that, under the orders of the Governor in Council, the submission of the scheme for the location of the head-quarters' wing of a British Infantry Regiment at Wellington, together with the information therein called for, may be expedited.

No. 3282.

Referred to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, with advertence to the Military Department No. 2751, dated 6th May 1886, for favor of information as to the cost of the proposed buildings at Wellington.

(By Order.)

OOTACAMUND,
1st June 1886.

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

To the Quarter Master General.

No. Telegram from the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Military Department, Ootacamund, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Simla; dated 1st June 1886, No. 3281.

Your 521-C., 22nd ultimo. As proposal involved removal of British Regiment from Cannanore, detachments being left at Calicut and Malapuram, the Civil Department was consulted, and has decided with reference to recent events in district of Malabar that the proposal cannot be entertained at present. In these circumstances the question has been held in abeyance.

No. From Colonel E. FAUNCE, Officiating Quarter Master General, to Lieutenant-Colonel A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Ootacamund, 2nd June 1886, No. 2000-A.

In returning the papers received under reference order, No. 3282, of 1st June 1886, I have the honor, by order, to state that if a head-quarters' wing of British Infantry alone is to be placed at Wellington with the convalescent depot, no additional buildings whatever will be required at that station; if, however, a British Mountain Battery is to be located there as well, the buildings mentioned in para. 6 of this office letter No. 20-T., dated 23rd February 1886, the cost of each of which is noted in the margin ought, in the opinion of the Commander-in-Chief, to be provided before the battery is sent up.

	rs.
1. Blacksmiths' shop	4,156
2. Gram-boiling house	750
3. Carpenters' and collar-makers' shops	3,200
4. Gun shed	9,915
5. Harness rooms	21,124
6. Hospital stable	14,934
7. Mule "	36,783
8. " terraces	19,224
9. Lines, followers	9,600
10. Magazine	1,372
11. Orderly room	2,646
12. Picket guard	945
13. Quarter "	6,000
14. Store room	339
Total	1,30,988

2. As it will be impossible to site the stables and other buildings for the battery in a convenient or suitable position with reference to the existing barracks, &c., new barracks, &c., and all subsidiary buildings for the battery, as enumerated in the list, lock hospital excepted, furnished by the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, in Proceedings of Government, No. 2751, dated 6th May (which is herewith returned), will have to be provided ultimately.

No. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Judicial Department; dated 4th June 1886, No. 1466, Miscellaneous.

Read again—

G.O., 1st April 1886, No. 856.

Read also the following:—

Letter from Inspector-General of Police; dated 3rd April 1886, No. 1748.

Letter from the District Magistrate, Malabar; dated 5th April 1886, No. 1360.

Para. 2. And while I am on this subject I trust it will not be considered out of place in me to suggest that all three detachments should be made as effective as possible by training some of the men at each place to the use of explosives, as well as in serving the small howitzers furnished to the detachment at Malapuram. The Mappilla fanatics have of late taken to fighting from behind stone-walls with fire-arms, so that something more than musket and bayonet, which used to suffice in former days to stop the frantic rushes then usual, is required. Of the 100 and odd men from the Oxfordshire Light Infantry and Royal Fusiliers present at the Trikkalur affair in December 1884, no one knew how to use dynamite, and if I, with no experience of the article, never having even seen it before, had not myself undertaken the task of Engineer, it is highly probable that we should have had to wait in front of the temple until guns had been brought from Madras. Each detachment should carry with it into the field explosives for forcing any one of the many very strong houses and temples scattered throughout the district, and some men in each detachment should be trained in using these explosives. After the Trikkalur affair in December 1884, this matter received, I know, the attention

which its importance deserves; but detachments change frequently and the necessity which forced the matter on the attention of the officers at that time is apt to be lost sight of by their successors, so that a general standing order on the subject is required.

Order.—The Government are of opinion that the question of removing the head-quarters and wing of the British Regiment, now stationed at Cannanore from the Malabar District, should lie over for the present.

2. The observations contained in para. 2 of the District Magistrate's letter read above will be brought to the notice of the Military Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. F. WEBSTER,
Chief Secretary.

No. ORDER THEREON, 28 June 1886, No. 3823

Ordered that the foregoing Proceedings of Government in the Judicial Department be communicated to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief for consideration with reference to the Magistrate's suggestion noticed in para. 2, and the correspondence forwarded to the Government of India.

No. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department;
dated 28 June 1886, No. 3824

(True Extract.)

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

(True Copy.)

Wm. H. Jones
First Assistant, Mily. Dept.

To the Quarter Master General.

- „ Adjutant-General.
- „ Commissary-General.
- „ Surgeon-General, Her Majesty's Forces, Madras.
- „ Controller of Military Accounts.
- „ Judicial Department.
- „ Public Works Department.
- „ Inspector-General of Ordnance, for information.

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To
THE QUARTER MASTER GENERAL,
&c., &c., &c.

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G.O., 28th June 1886, No. 3823.



No. 1689 W. d/ 3rd July 1886.
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Distribution of Army—Movements
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Wellington.—Correspondence containing proposals for the location of the head-quarters and wing of a British Regiment (now stationed at Cannanore) and a Mountain Battery at —; and the suggestion of the District Magistrate, Malabar, to train some of the men of the detachments of the British Regiment there in the use of explosives, communicated to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief and the Government of India.

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with advertisement to G.O.
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