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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Military Works.

READ—the following papers:—

From Colonel J. BEATTY, R.E., Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Coimbatore, 23rd July 1886, No. 272 E.W.

I have the honor to forward, herewith, for sanction, an estimate, amounting to Rs. 1,200, for improving and putting in thorough order the old jailor's quarters at Calicut for the use of the Sergeant Instructor of the Malabar Rifles, and for an armoury and store godown, and orderly room.

2. The original value of the building was Rs. 2,064, and when the work now in hand is completed, it* may be entered in the register of buildings at Rs. 3,264. Consequently the work must be treated as a new work under paragraph 1065 of the Public Works Code.

* The Sergeant Instructor's quarters.

3. The following is a history of the case gathered from the correspondence herewith sent:—

The building was originally Government property. It was an appurtenance of the old district jail, and used as jailor's quarters. By G.O., No. 1331, of 6th November 1868, it was transferred to the municipal commissioners on the recommendation of the District Magistrate. It remained in the hands of the municipality until July 1885, when it was placed by the municipal chairman at the disposal of the Collector for the use of the volunteer corps. The Collector now observes that it "has not as yet been surrendered by a formal vote of the council, and that at present it is legally vested in the municipal commissioners."

4. It is consequently not now borne on the register of buildings of this department, and its re-transfer requires the consent of the commissioners, and a fresh order of Government. In his letter to me, No. 616, of 19th instant, the Commandant of the Malabar Rifles has promised to obtain this; and the Executive Engineer in his letter, No. 399, of 30th ultimo, informs me that he has written to the Collector asking him to have the formal surrender of the building to Government "effected as early as practicable, so that it may be regularly entered on the register of buildings of this department."

5. When placed by the municipal chairman at the disposal of the Collector, it was evidently in bad order, for the Commandant appears to have begun writing to the Executive Engineer about repairs early in February; that he "wrote several times pointing out the dangerous state of the house"; and that repairs were "rendered absolutely necessary by the roof of one of the rooms having fallen in." It appears that this occurred on the 9th of April, and the Executive Engineer then ordered that any repairs that were "absolutely necessary" should be "carried out."

6. In my opinion he should, in February last, have declined undertaking any repairs until the building had been duly re-transferred to this department; and until an estimate for the extensive repairs and improvements, costing more than half the original value of the building, had been sanctioned by Government.

7. However, on the strength of the Executive Engineer's order of 9th April, the work of repairs was commenced, "nearly the whole of the wood work of the roof found to be rotten or destroyed by whiteants," the roof was removed, and new wood work provided.

8. When things had arrived at this stage, the present Executive Engineer, on 21st May, received the estimate; and he states that he "was not aware till then that such extensive repairs were required, or they would not have been undertaken without sanction."

9. He reports that the walls and foundations are of laterite-in-chunam in good order; but that "the roof was in a very dilapidated state, especially the wood work"; and that the improvements consist of new wood work, where required, to the roof, the substitution of mission tiles for the old pan tiles, and white cedar planking to the ceilings of the rooms to be used as armoury, stores and orderly room.

10. On receipt of the estimate in this office on 26th May, it was found to be incomplete, and had to be returned for further information. On re-submission with the Executive Engineer's letter of 30th ultimo, No. 399, I sent it to the Commandant of the Malabar Rifles and asked him to obtain Government sanction to the re-transfer of the building to this department, as well as to the estimate of repairs and improvements, which had been undertaken at his request, as clearly appears from his letter herewith sent.

11. The general result is that, owing to the irregular proceedings of the former Executive Engineer, the work for which sanction is now solicited, to a building not at present borne on the register of buildings of the department, has probably been already completed.

From Colonel J. BEATTY, R.E., Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Coimbatore, 26th July 1886, No. 278 E.W.

In continuation of this office letter, No. 272, of 23rd instant, regarding the old jailor's quarters at Calicut, I have the honor to forward copy of an extract from the proceedings of the Municipal Council of Calicut, dated 10th instant, which I have just received. I presume that on this orders may be passed for the re-transfer of the building to the Public Works Department for use as a Sergeant Instructor's quarters, armoury, store and orderly room.

Enclosure.

Extract from the proceedings of the Municipal Council of Calicut, at their meeting on the 10th July 1886.

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7. Read letter from the Collector of Malabar, dated 30th June 1886, No. 2631, requesting that the transfer of the old jailor's quarters to him for use in connection with the Malabar Volunteer corps may be formally sanctioned by the council.

Resolution.—The council accord their sanction to the transfer of the building.

No. 501.

True extract forwarded to the Collector of Malabar, in reference to his letter quoted in the above.

Calicut,
15th July 1886.

(Signed) C. KUNHI KANAN,
for Chairman, Municipal Council.

No. 2965.

True copy forwarded to the Executive Engineer, West Coast division.

Calicut,
21st July 1886.

(Signed) C. KUNHI KANAN,
for Collector.

No. 459.

Copy forwarded to the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, in continuation of this office No. 399, of 30th June 1886.

Calicut,
23rd July 1886.

(Signed) H. S. TAYLOR,
Executive Engineer, West Coast Division.

No. 478 D.

Referred to the Military Department for favor of information whether the whole of the expenditure is correctly chargeable to the Imperial Military Works grant.

Ootacamund,
3rd August 1886.

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

No. 4738, Military.

Only such portion of the expenditure as is due to the Sergeant Instructor's quarters should be charged to the Military Works grant, the balance must be met from the regimental capitation grant.

(By Order.)

Ootacamund,
9th August 1886.

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

Order—dated 17th August 1886, No. 2063 W., Public Works.

The estimate, amounting to Rs. 1,200, for improving the old jailor's quarters at Calicut to fit them as quarters for the Sergeant Instructor of the Malabar Volunteer Rifles, and also as an armoury, store godown, and orderly room, is sanctioned.

2. With reference to the extract from the proceedings of the Municipal Council at Calicut recorded above, in which the old jailor's quarters are transferred for the use of the Malabar Volunteer Rifles, the Government direct that the building be again brought on the books of the Public Works Department.

3. The proceedings of the former Executive Engineer, West Coast division, Colonel Ross Thompson, in authorising extensive repairs to a building which was not borne on the books of the Public Works Department, were irregular, and he will be called upon to explain his action in the matter.

4. A portion of the expenditure incurred being chargeable to the regimental capitation grant, the Superintending Engineer will arrange to make the necessary recovery from the Officer Commanding the corps.

5. The sanction accorded in paragraph 1 of this proceedings has been registered as Imperial Ordinary, No. 15 W. of 1886-87, and classified as Military, Original Works.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, with two enclosures.
,, Colonel Ross Thompson, R.E., through the Superintending Engineer, V Circle.
,, the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, with estimate, for note and return to Superintending Engineer, IV Circle.
,, the Military Department.
,, the Financial Department.
Exd. P. L. Pereira.
Spare Copies

BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
MILITARY WORKS.

Govt. of (1886) Madras

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated August, 17th.

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 17th Aug. 1886, No. 2063 W.

AUGUST.

Old Jailor's Quarters at Calicut

Estimate of Rs. 1,200 for improving the — to fit them as quarters for the Sergeant Instructor of the Malabar Volunteer Rifles, and also as an armoury, store godown, and orderly room, sanctioned with remarks.

Rec'd the following papers

17 [illegible]

No: $\frac{272}{EW}$

Supg: Engineer's office 4th Circle,
Coimbatore, 23rd July 1886.

2063/3

From

The Superintending Engineer,
4th Circle.

To,

The Chief Engineer,
P.W. Department.

Enclosures. 7
1. Estimate
1. Plan
1 Report
1. Ex. Engr's letter No. 4/ of 24/5/86.
1. Do No. 399 of 30/6/86
1. Collector's letter No. 2583 of 23/6/86
1. Commandt's letter No. 66 of 19/7/86
7.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith for sanction an estimate, amounting to Rs. 1,200, for improving and putting in thorough order the old Jailor's Quarters at Calicut; for the use of the Serjeant Instructor of the Malabar Rifles, and for an Armoury, and Store Godown, and orderly room.

2 The original value of the building was Rs 2064; and when

the work now in hand is completed, × it may be entered in the Register of Buildings at Rs: 3,264. Consequently, the work must be treated as a New Work, under para 1065 of the P.W. Code.

× The Serjeant Instructor quarters

3 The following is a history of the case, gathered from the correspondence herewith sent:—

The building was originally Government property. It was an appurtenance of the old District Jail, and used as Jailor's Quarters. By G.O. No 1381 of 6th November 1868, it was transferred to the Municipal Commissioners on the recommendation of the District Magistrate. It remained in the hands of the Municipality until July 1885, when it was placed by the Municipal Chairman at the disposal of the Collector

Collector

Collector for the use of the volunteer Corps. The Collector now observes tha it "has not as yet been surrendered by a formal vote of the Council, and that at present it is legally vested in the Municipal Commissioners."

4. It is consequently not now born on the Register of Buildings of this Department, and its retransfer require the consent of the Commissioners, and a fresh order of Government. In his letter to me, No 616 of 19th instant, the Commandant of the Malabar Rifles has promised to obtain this; and the Executive Engineer in his letter No 399 of 30th ultimo, informs me that he has written to the Collector asking him to have the formal surrender of the building to Government "effected as early as practicable, so that it may be regularly entered on the Register of

of Buildings of this Department."

5 When placed by the Municipal Chairman at the disposal of the Collector, it was evidently in bad order, for the Commandant appears to have begun writing to the Executive Engineer about repairs early in February; that he "wrote several times pointing out the dangerous state of the house"; and that repairs were "rendered absolutely necessary by the roof of one of the rooms having fallen in." It appears that this occurred on the 9th of April, and the Executive Engineer then ordered that any repairs that were "absolutely necessary" should be "carried out".

6 In my opinion he should, in February last, have declined undertaking any repairs until the building had been duly retransferred to this Department; and until an estimate for the extensive repairs and improvements, costing more than

half

half the original value of the building, had been sanctioned by Government.

7. However, on the strength of the Executive Engineer's order of 9th April, the work of repairs was commenced, "nearly the whole of the wood-work of the roof found to be rotten or destroyed by white ants", the roof was removed, and new woodwork provided.

8. When things had arrived at this stage, the present Executive Engineer, on 21st May, received the estimate; and he states that he "was not aware till then that such extensive repairs were required, or they would not have been undertaken without sanction."

9. He reports that the walls and foundations are of laterite in chunam in good order; but that "the roof was in a very dilapidated state especially the woodwork"; and that the improvements consist of new woodwork where required to the

roof, the substitution of Mission tiles for the old pan tiles, and white cedar planking to the ceilings of the rooms to be used as Armoury, stores and Orderly Room.

10 On receipt of the estimate in this office on 26th May, it was found to be incomplete, and had to be returned for further information. On resubmission with the Executive Engineer's letter of 30th ultimo No 399, I sent it to the Commandant of the Malabar Rifles and asked him to obtain Government sanction to the retransfer of the building to this Department, as well as to the estimate of repairs and improvements, which had been undertaken at his request, as clearly appears from his letter herewith sent.

11. The general result is that, owing to the irregular proceedings of the former Executive Engineer, the work

work for which sanction is now solicited, to a building not at present borne on the Register of Buildings of the Department, has probably been already completed.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt. Servant
E. Beatty Colonel R.E.
Superintending Engineer
4th Circle.

AP

I.W.C. No. 5767

From

The Superintending Eng
4th Circle

To,

The Chief Engineer
P.W. Departmen

Dated 23rd }
Received 26 } July 1886

No. 272/EW

Enclosures. 7
(1 Plan)

Improvements to the old
jailor's Quarters for Sergean
Instructor of Malabar
Rifles:-

Forwards for san
plan, and estimate amoun
ing to Rs. 1200 for — with
certain observations.

S.J.
27.7.86

6-29.7.86.

No. 278/EW

Superintending Engr's office 4th Cir
Coimbatore, 26th July 1886.

From,

The Superintending Engineer,
IV. Circle.

To,

The Chief Engineer,
P.W. Department.

Sir,

Enclosure 1
C.No. 5767 with Series

In continuation of this Office letter No. 272 of 25th Instant regarding the old jailor's quarters at Calicut, I have the honor to forward copy of an extract from the Proceedings of the Municipal Council of Calicut dated 10th Instant which I have just received. I presume that on this orders may be passed for the retransfer of the building to the P.W. Department for use as a Sergeant Instructor's Quarters, armoury, Store and orderly Room.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obt. Sert.

I. Beatty - Colonel. R.E.
Superintending Engr. 4. Cir

2063/3

Print

Extract from the Proceedings of the Municipal Council of Calicut at their meeting on the 10th July 1886.

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7. Read letter from the Collector of Malabar, dated 30th June 1886 No. 2631, requesting that the transfer of the old Jailors quarters to him for use in connection with the Malabar Volunteer corps may be formally sanctioned by the Council.

The Council accord their sanction to the transfer of the building.

No. 501.

True Extract forwarded to the Collector of Malabar in reference to his letter quoted in the above.

Sd/. C. Kunhikanan.
for Chairman. M. C.

Municipal office
Calicut 15 July/86.

No 2965.

True Copy forwarded to the Executive Engineer West Coast Division.

Sd/. C. Kunhikanan.
for Collector.

Malabar Collr's office
Calicut 21-7. 86.

No. 459.

Copy forwarded to the Supg: Engineer 4th Circle in continuation of this office No. 399 of 30th June 1886.

(Signed) H. S. Taylor.
Executive Engineer,
West Coast Division.

Calicut
23 June/86.

(True Copy)

L. Beatty. Colonel R.E.
Supg: Engineer 4 Circle.

P. G. 23rd June 1885 Nos: 410-418
P. G. 21st Jany 1886 Nos: 579-580 R.

Ootacamund, Augt 3d 1886.
No 478 D.

Referred to the Military department for favour of information whether the whole of the expenditure is correctly chargeable to the Imperial Military Works grant.—

[illegible] Stewart
Colonel R.E.
Secretary to Govt, P.W.D.

3-8-86

No 4738

Only such portion of the expenditure as is due to the Sergt Instructors Quarters should be charged to the Mily: Works Grant:– the balance must be met from the Regimental Capitation Grant.–

(By order)
A Kenney Herbert Lt Col.
Secy to Govt.

~~Ootacamund~~
9th August 1886

6. 29-7-86

Mily: [illegible]
~~[illegible]~~
No 4476

From,
The Supg: Engineer,
IV. Circle.

From the P.W.D:
No. 478 D
10 S.

To,
The Chief Engineer,
P.W. Department.

D/ 3d Augt
R/ 3d

Dated 26th } July 1886.
Recd }

Recd 16-8-86

No. 278
E.W.

Enclo: 1
(1 Plan)

Old Jailor's Quarters at Calicut:—

Forwards copy of an Extract from the Proceedings, Municipal Council Calicut regarding the use of and presumes its retransfer to P.W.D. for use as a Serjeant Instructor's Quarters Armoury Store and Orderly Room may now be sanctioned

Referred

Urgent

No. A/1

Calicut 24 May 1886

2063/10

From
The Executive Engineer
West Coast Division.

To
The Superintending Engineer
Fourth Circle.

Enclosures
1 Report
1 Estimate
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Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith an Estimate amounting to Rupees 1200 for repairing the roof of the building occupied as "quarters" by the Sergt. Instructor of the Malabar Volunteer Rifles at Calicut as well as for their armoury and office of the Adjutant.

2. On the 24th March 1886 the Officer Commanding Malabar Volunteer Rifles requested the Executive Engineer to have the building repaired as it was considered dangerous. The Executive Engineer then called upon the Sub Divisional Officer for report

and Estimate

3. On the 9th April the Commanding Officer wrote a reminder saying that a portion of the roof had fallen in. The Executive Engineer endorsed this to the Sub-Divl. Officer to submit the estimate previously called for, any repairs that are absolutely necessary being carried out in the meanwhile as the roof is reported to be in a dangerous state."

4. On the strength of this endorsement the Sub Divisional Officer commenced work on the repairs, but nearly the whole of the wood-work was found to be rotten or destroyed by white ants and the whole roof has now been removed and the new wood-work according to the Estimate has been supplied and is almost ready for being put up.

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5. The Estimate was received in this Office on the 21st May and the undersigned was not aware till then that such extensive repairs were required or they would not have been undertaken without sanction.

6. As the walls are now quite bare unless the roof is completed they will almost certainly collapse during the monsoon, and I have therefore not stopped the work pending instructions from you.

7. The building was not on our Register until quite recently. It was formerly occupied as the Jailors quarters before the new Jail was opened. It then passed into the hands of the Municipality who occupied it as the Quarters of their Overseer until quite lately the Commanding Officer of the

Malabar Volunteer Rifles who was "the Collector of the District" took it over for its present purpose.

8. The Executive Engineer in his No. 104 dated 9 Febry. 1886 brought to the notice of the Collector that the building should have been formally made over to this Department and the Collector in his reply expressed his regret that this had not been done.

9. The Sergt. whilst in occupation of the building received Rs. 4 per mensem as compensation for inferior quarters as he occupied only a portion of it, and he has now been provided with a rented house in the town.

10. I beg the favor of orders as to the continuance or otherwise of the work at your very early convenience.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedt. Servt.
(By order)

A. J. Rozario
Hd. Clerk, Exe. Engr's Office -

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SUPG. ENGR. [illegible]
No. 384 W.C.
23 MAY. 86
P.W.D.
FOURTH CIRCLE

From

The Executive Engineer
West Coast Divn

Dated 24th May /86
Recd 4

Encls 2

No. A/1

Encls: 2.

Sergt. Instructor's
Quarters Calicut.

Submits Estimate
for repairs to ——
and solicits early
orders.

Malabar Collector's Office
Calicut 28th June 18

No. 2583

From The Collector of
Malabar,

To
The Executive Engineer,
West Coast Division,
Calicut.

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Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 12th Instant, No 494, I have the honor to inform you that the building therein referred to was formerly an appurtenance to the old District Jail (now the Collector's temporary cutcherry) and was used as Jailer's quarters. In 1868 at the recommendation of the District Magistrate and President of the Calicut Municipal Commission, Government sanctioned the transfer of the Jail site and buildings to the Municipal Commissioners for various public purposes (vide G.O. dated 15th Nov 1868 No 1381). The building thus came into the hands of the Municipality, under whom it remained till (July 1885 when it was replaced by the Municipal Chairman at the disposal of the Collector for the use of the Volunteer Corps.

2. The building was unquestionably Government property and the terms on which it was gratuitously transferred to the Municipal Commissioners would not (in my opinion) preclude Government from requesting its surrender,

or

SUPG. ENGINEER'S OFFICE
No. 1/494 W.C.
2 JUL. 86
P.W.D.
FOURTH CIRCLE

or [illegible] [illegible] Commissioners in
without [illegible] their consent if the request
were made. I however note that the
building has not as yet been surrend-
ered by a formal vote of the Council,
and that at present it is legally
vested in them.

Encls 4/27/86
C.E. IV

I have &ca
Sd/. H. M. Winterbotham
Ag. Collector

(True copy)

Encls 4
P.W. 576 of 86

H. J. Taylor
Executive Engineer

No. 399

Executive Engineer's Office
West Coast Division
Calicut 30th June 1886

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From
The Executive Engineer,
West Coast Divn.

To
The Superintending Engineer,
IV Circle.

Sir,

I have the honor to resubmit the estimate for repairing the building known as the Serjeant Instructor's Quarters at Calicut with all additional information called for in your No. 337 dated 27th May 1886.

Enclos: 4.
1 Plan
1. Estimate
1. Report.
1. Copy of letter No. 2583 d/28/6/86 from the Collector of Malabar.
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2. The building as transferred to Government for its present purpose was valued at Rs 2064. Its value when the repairs now nearly completed are finished may be entered in the books at Rs 3500.

3. Plan and sections showing the walls and foundations are herewith forwarded. They are of laterite in chunam throughout and are in good order. No alteration has been made in the roof, except that Mission tiles replace the old pan tiles. As much of the old timber as was serviceable has been used again.

The circumstances of the repairs having been taken in hand have been fully explained in my No. 4/1 dated 24

24th May, and on the receipt of your letter under reference as the roofing was making rapid progress and considering the work would be likely to prove durable and was being satisfactorily carried out, I did not put a stop to it and it is now nearly completed.

5. As far as I can gather from such of the history of the building as is available, it has never formally left the hands of the Government. I enclose a copy of a letter from the Collector in reply to my request for information on the subject. I have this day again written to him asking that the formal surrender of the building by the municipality to the Government may be effected as early as practicable, so that it may be regularly entered on the Register of Public buildings in charge of this department.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obdt. Servt.

H. Wright
Executive Engineer

A.H.

SUPDG ENGINEER'S OFFICE
No. 494 W.C.
-2 JUL. 86
P. W. D.
FOURTH CIRCLE

From
The Executive Engineer
West Coast Division

Dated 30th }
Desp d - Do - } June 1886.

No. 399. 6387/86

Enclosures. 4.

Serjt Instructors Quarters
at Calicut.

Resubmits estimates amounting to Rs 1200 for repairing the building known as —

No 616

Calicut
19/7/86. 2061/17

From The Officer Commanding
Malabar Volunteer Rifles
To The Supdg Engineer
4th Circle
Coimbatore.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 108/M dated 8th July 1886.

2. In the Executive Engineer West Coast Division letter No. 104 dated 9th Feb/86 he informed me that the building referred to in the above letter should have been handed over in the manner you mention, I regretted in my letter No. 272 dated 17-2-86 that it had not been so handed over, after that it was supposed that the then Ex: Engineer West Coast Division, had taken steps to have it transferred to the D.P.W. and this supposition was borne out by the then Ex: Engineer West Coast Division having taken in hand the repairs which were then rendered absolutely necessary by the roof of one of the rooms having fallen in. Apparently the Ex. Engineer West Coast Division considered himself to be in a position to undertake the repairs, if not, he had ample opportunity of refusing to execute them until the building had been handed over to his satisfaction, for I wrote several times pointing out the dangerous state of the house.

SUPDG. ENGINEER'S OFFICE
No. 275
21 JUL. 86
P.W.D.
FOURTH CIRCLE

Encls. 1/272/86
S.E. IV

Encls 2
P.W. ~~5717/86~~
6387/86

M.S. [illegible]

K.W.

2069/R

For orders.

The work has been completed but the building has not yet been formally handed back to Govt.

Col: Ross Thomp. "Son" was "the former Executive Engineer" - He should be asked to explain his "irregular proceedings".

H.B.
28.7.6.

[illegible] was started on the [illegible]

August 5 1886.—

the S.E. IV Circle No 272 E.W.
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nts to the old jailor's quarters
rgeant Instructor of the
Rifles.

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int regarding the use of

Referred to the
Military department
for favour of [illegible]

D.W.

The principal facts of this case as stated by S.E III in his No 272/EW of 23rd July /86 are as follows.

The old Jailor's quarters at Calicut was formerly a fort building but by G.O. No 1351 16th Nov/63 it was transferred to the Municipal Commissioners, in whose hands it remained until July 1885 when it was placed by the Municipal Chairman at the disposal of the Collector for the use of the Volunteer Corps but it was never formally handed over.

When placed at the disposal of the Collector (who is also the Commandant of the Volunteers) it was distinctly in bad order & the Commandant wrote several times to the E.E asking that the building might be repaired. On April 9th the roof of one room fell in & the E E ordered the repairs which were absolutely necessary to be carried

n. Work was started on these

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ugust 3. 1886.—

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order & very extensive repairs
were carried out.

The order for the work was given
by the late E E Col Ross Thompson
& the present E.E. does not appear
to have been aware of the extent
of the repairs until he received
the estimate but as the walls
were then bare. & the timbers
for the roof ready he did not
stop the work.

The estimate was sent on to the
S.E who finding it incomplete
returned it for revision & it is
now resubmitted. & amounts
to Rs 1200. the value of the
building being only Rs. 2064.

The S.E. states that the action
of the late E.E in undertaking
the repairs before the building
was ~~properly~~ formally handed
over was clearly irregular.

The Commandant has been asked
to arrange for the building being
formally handed over to Govt. as soon
as possible & this he has promised
to "take an early opportunity
of asking for it to do but in

August 5-1886.—

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Rifles.

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Referred to the
Military department
for favour of [illegible]

the meantime he declined to countersign the estimate.

At the time the work was commenced the Collector was Commandant [illegible] possibly he was also Municipal Chairman, in which case ~~the last~~ Col Ross Thompson probably considered that the transfer of the building would be arranged properly & undertook the emergent repairs at the Commandants request. As the work is by this time completed, the estimate will I presume be sanctioned but early steps will have to be taken to have the building formally handed back to Govt by the Municipality & Col Ross Thompson may be asked to explain why he undertook the work in the way he did.

CB.
28.7.16.

A. D. W's note explains the case.

Colonel Ross Thomson should be called on to explain his irregular proceedings.

28/7/86

for favour of [illegible]

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I understand from the Military Dept that expenditure to fit up any Govt. building for use as a Volunteer Armoury Store & place of arms should be met from the Regimental Capitation grant

The Sergt. Instructor is entitled to be provided with quarters by the P.W. Dept.

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No. 478 Dd/ August 5th 1886.—

C. No. 5767. with 7 enclos.

Letter from the S.E. IV Circle No. 272 E.W. d/ 23.7.86 forwarding for sanction plan and estimate amounting to Rs 1200 for improvements to the old jailors quarters for the Sergeant Instructor of the Malabar Rifles.

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Letter from — do — fwdg copy of an extract from the proceedings of the municipal council Calicut regarding the use of the building.—

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whether the whole
of the expenditure is
correctly chargeable
to the Imperial Milty
Works grant.

(Sd.) J.S.S.

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Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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Read the following

From the S. E. W. Circle. A.C. No. 272 Ew. d/ 23d July 1886
From ~~[illegible]~~ do ————— " No. 278 Ew. d/ 26th July 1886
Govt. from the Milty. Dept. [illegible] No. 2773 d/ 9 Augt 1886

The estimate amounting to Rs. 1200, for renovating the old Jailor's quarters at Calicut to fit them as quarters for ~~for the use of~~ the Sergt. Instructor of the Malabar Volunteer Rifles, and also as an armoury, store godown, and orderly room, is sanctioned.

2. With reference to the extract from the proceedings of the Municipal Council at Calicut recorded above, in which the old Jailor's quarters are transferred for the use of the Malabar Volunteer Rifles, the Govt. direct that the building be again brought on the books of the P. W. Department.

3. The proceedings of the former Ex. Engr. West Coast Divn. [illegible] in ~~[illegible]~~ authorizing

extensive repairs to a building which was not borne on the books of the P.W. Department, ~~was~~ were irregular, and he will be called upon to explain his action in the matter.

4 5. The sanction accorded in para 1 of these Proceedings has been registered as Imperial Ordinary No. w of 1886-87, and classified as Military Original works.

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4. A portion of the expenditure incurred being chargeable to the regimental Capitation grant the Supdg Engr will arrange to make the necessary recovery from the Officer Commanding the Corps.

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To

The S. E. IV Circle with 2 encls
Col. Ross Thompson R.E.
(thro' the S. E. V Circle)
Examiner P. Wd. with estimate for note & return to S. E. IV.
Mily Department
Financial Department
(Chief Secy for information confidential)

W.O.M.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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READ the following

From the Supdg Engineer IV Circle, H.E. No. 272 E.W. d/ 23.7.86.
From Do. — do — No. 278 E.W. d/ 26.7.86
Endorsement from the Military Dept. No. 4738 d/ 9.8.86

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The estimate amounting to Rs 1200, for improving ~~renovating~~ the old Jailors' quarters at Calicut to fit them as quarters for the Sergt Instructor of the Malabar Volunteer Rifles, and also as an armoury, store godown, and orderly room, is sanctioned.

2 With reference to the extract from the Proceedings of the Municipal Council at Calicut recorded above, in which the old jailor's quarters are transferred for

the use of the Malabar Volunteer Rifles, the Govt. direct that the building be again brought on the books of the Public Works Department.

3. The proceedings of the former Executive Engineer, West Coast Division, Colonel Ross Thompson, in authorising extensive repairs to a building which was not borne on the books of the Public Works Department were irregular, and he will be called upon to explain his action in the matter.

4. A portion of the expenditure incurred being chargeable to the regimental capitation grant, the Superintending Engineer

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Engineer will arrange to make the necessary recovery from the officer commanding the corps.

5. The sanction accorded in para 1 of this Proceeding has been registered as Imperial Ordinary No. 15 W of 1886-87, and classified as Military Original Works.

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To

The S.E. IV Circle with 2 enclosures

Col. Ross Thompson R.E. thro: the S.E. IV Circle.

Examiner P.W.A. with estimate for note & return to S.E. IV

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Govt. of (1886) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

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Dated

Recd. Encl.

G.O., 17 August 1886, No. 2063 W

Old Jailor's quarters
at Calicut

Estimate of Rs 1,200
for improving the
to fit them as quarters
for the Sergeant
Instructor of the
Malabar Volunteer
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Sanctioned with remarks

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