9th December 1884, No. 3021 W., Public Works.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Account.

Read—the following despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, Fort St. George, dated India Office, London, 30th October 1884, No. 1, Public Works (Stores):—

I have considered in Council your letter in the Public Works Department, No. 14/2015 W., dated 16th August 1884, forwarding an indent for stores required in the Madras Presidency, and have sanctioned compliance with the indent, with the exception of the four sets of artesian well-boring apparatus and 200 tons of foundry coke.

2. The indent states that the cost of the boring apparatus is unknown. From inquiries made in this country it has been ascertained that the cost will probably amount to about £8,000, as noted in the margin, and I have therefore suspended the supply of the four sets demanded, pending the receipt of a further communication from your Government, which might, if considered desirable, be sent by telegram.

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3″ apparatus about	1,670
4″ „ „	1,700
5″ „ „	2,130
6″ „ „	2,500
	8,000

3. As 200 tons of coke are under supply in compliance with your telegram of the 11th August last, the 200 tons included in the indent will not be provided.

Order—dated 9th December 1884, No. 3021 W., Public Works.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer, V Circle, with advertence to G.O., No. 2015, dated 16th August 1884.

2. The General Superintendent, Public Works Stores, will at once submit a revised indent on the Home Government, providing for one set of artesian well-boring apparatus similar in all respects to the apparatus supplied to the Government of the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, the cost of which is shown to be £1,951.

3. The following telegram will be despatched to the Secretary of State for India:—

> "Your letter No. 1, Public Works, of 30th October 1884.
> "Indent for artesian boring apparatus cancelled.
> "Revised indent follows."

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, V Circle, with original letter and enclosures from Government of North-Western Provinces, No. 2200, dated 27th June 1884.

Exd. C. Howarth.
Spare Copies

GENERAL.
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of (1884) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS

Dated December, 9th.

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 9th Dec. 1884, No. 3021 W.

DECEMBER.

Boring Apparatus for Artesian Wells

Orders on despatch from the Secretary of State regarding supply of —.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Account.

Read—the following papers :—

From the General Superintendent, Public Works Stores, dated 3rd May 1884.
Do. Government of Bengal, dated 17th June 1884, No. 2088-A.
Do. Government of North-West Provinces and Oudh, dated 27th June 1884, No. 2200.
Do. General Superintendent, Public Works Stores, dated 18th July 1884, No. 471 S.
Do. do. do. „ 19th „ „ „ 480 S.
Do. Consulting Architect to Government, dated 22nd July 1884, No. 642.
Office note from the General Superintendent, Public Works Stores, dated 28th July 1884.
Do. do. do. do.

Order—dated 16th August 1884, No. 2015 W., Public Works.

Ordered that the indent be forwarded to the Home Government for compliance.

2. On receipt of the apparatus for sinking Artesian wells, experimental borings will be undertaken by the General Superintendent, Public Works Workshops, where they may be required.

3. The General Superintendent has included in the indent a demand for two copies of hand-books of machinery and ironwork. This is not in accordance with the instructions contained in G.O., No. 1076 W., dated 30th April 1884. The item will therefore be struck out, and Messrs. Baker and Company of London will be requested to supply the books.

(True Extract.)

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

To the General Superintendent, Public Works Stores and Workshops.
„ Consulting Architect to Government.
„ Superintending Engineer, V Circle.

Exd. E. Fernandez.
Spare Copies

GENERAL.
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of 1884 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated August, 16th.

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 16th Aug. 1884, No. 2015 W.

AUGUST.

Indent

Ordered that the special — for certain English stores, submitted by the General Superintendent, Public Works Stores, be forwarded to the Home Government.

16th August 1884, No. $\frac{11}{2015\text{ W.}}$, Public Works.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Letter—to

The Right Honorable the SECRETARY of STATE for INDIA.

My Lord,

We have the honor to forward a special indent for certain stores required in this Presidency, and to request that arrangements may be made for the despatch of the articles to Madras as early as practicable.

We have the honor to be,
My Lord,
Your Lordship's most obedient, humble servants,

(Signed) M. E. GRANT DUFF.
(„) FRED. ROBERTS.
(„) H. E. SULLIVAN.
(„) C. G. MASTER.

Ootacamund,
16th August 1884.

Exd. E. Fernandez.

GOVT. OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Letter to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India.

No. $\frac{14}{2015}$ W., dated 16th Aug. 1884.

Forwarding a special indent for certain English stores.

The

(Copy)

76 Cheapside
London, 9th December 1884

Sir,

Your favor and hand
re "order of 5th May last"

On reference to this order 40/51 we find we made 6 Right hand 4 inch All Brass full lever Mortise No. 118 with 2 No. 130 Drop handles ½ Rebated.

and 11 Right 6 In. 2 Bolt do do No. 122.

There is no such thing really as a Rebated Lock 2 Bolt with reverse Bolt, but in a 1 Bolt Locking Latch ½ Rebated there are 4 hands viz Right and Right Reverse, Left and Left Reverse

We are mounting 2 Locks 1 Right ½ Rebated and 1 Left ½ Rebated, and will send to you.

If you think it advisable to send to India as samples we will not charge for the blocks but simply the locks. These 2 Samples will be ready this week, and they can be used over there at any time.

To The Superintendent,
India Store Department,
Belvedere Road,
Lambeth, S.E.,

We are &c
(Sd) Hobbs Hart & Co.

SECRETARIAT [illegible]
16 JAN 85
P.W. DEPARTMENT MADRAS

It i[illegible]sted that the reply may be addressed—
The Director General of Stores,
India Office,
London.

India Office, London,
24th December 1884.

S.B. 13105

Sir,

With reference to the demand made in your Indent of the 16th August 1884 for

No. 12 Hobbs 6", all brass, full lever half rebated two bolt Mortice Locks, with two No. 130 drop handles, two escutcheons, striking plate, screws, two gun-metal keys, and patent Spindle, mark 122 left hand locks with reverse latch bolt.

No. 6 Hobbs' 4", all brass, full lever, half rebated two bolt Mortice Locks, with two No. 130 drop handles, two escutcheons, striking plate, screws, two gun metal keys and patent Spindle, mark 118 left hand locks with reverse latch bolt.

I have the honor to inform you that, in

The Secretary to the Government
of Madras,
Public Works Department,

in a letter of the 9th Instant, a copy of which is annexed, Messrs Hobbs & Co point out that there is no such thing as a Rebated two-bolt Lock with reverse bolt

It is therefore not clearly understood what description of Lock is required, and in order to assist in clearing up this point, Messrs Hobbs & Co have furnished two sample Locks, one right handed, the other left handed, which will be forwarded to you at once by parcel post.

I shall be obliged if you will inform me whether either of these locks represents exactly the description of Lock required by you, and, if not, that you will furnish me with such drawings, or information as may enable this Department to meet your requirements.

I regret the delay which has occurred, and which has been caused by Messrs Hobbs & Co not pointing out the discrepancy at an earlier date.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

A.A. Jopp

Director General of Stores,

C.E. No 5507
2-2-85

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Wa/25-6-85

No 4091

Forwarded to the General Superintendent P. W. Stores with two Locks.

Chepak, 2nd February 1885.

[illegible] Col. R.E.
Superind. Engr.
5th Circle

2nd February 1885.

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Let me see correspondence

No 196C

Chepak
2nd February /85

Referred, through the Supt. Engr. V Circle to the General Suptt. P. W. Stores, for early submission of the required information.

(By order)

C. Bowen.
Major R.E.
Under Secretary to Govt.
P. W. Deptt.

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2.2.85

To The Supg. Engr.
V Circle with locks

No. 1119

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
5TH CIRCLE, MADRAS,
Bangalore ~~Chepauk~~, 18th June 1885.

From

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
5TH CIRCLE,

To

THE Chief Engineer
P. W. Department.

SIR,

Enclosures. 2

In returning your Endorsement No 196/C dated 2nd February 1885, I have the honor to enclose a revised Indent furnished by the Executive Engineer Presidency giving correct descriptions of the Locks required and to request that you will be so good as to have the entries in the original Indent for the Locks altered accordingly.

The two Sample Locks are

are retained as supply
in part of the Indent.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obed^t Serv^t

W H Hutton
Col^l R.E.
Off^g Superint^g Eng^r
5^th Circle

G.O. No 2015 W. 16. 8. 84
Ltr to H.G. 14/2015 W 16. 8. 84
G.O. No 3021 W. 9. 12. 84
No 196 C. 2. 2. 85

From

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
5TH CIRCLE,

To

THE Chief Engineer
P.W.D.

Dated 18 } June 1885.
Recd. 19 }

ENCLOSURES. 2

No 1486/1487 W a/25-6-85

No. 1119

Hobbs Locks—

Forwards a revised Indent for the— required for the Fort Armament.

Q. 20. 6. 85

No. 1486 W

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 25th June/85

READ the following

Letter from the Director General of Stores H. E. No. S. B 10105 d/24th Decr 1884.
Letter from the Supdg: Engr. V Circle " No. 1119 dated 18th June 1885

Ordered that the following letter be sent:

(H.E. No. 1487 W a/25th June/85)

To

The Director General of Stores
India Office
London.

Sir,

In reply to your No. S. B. 13,105 dated 24th December 1884, I have the honor to forward herewith a revised indent, giving correct descriptions of of the Locks required, and to request that the original indent may be corrected accordingly.

2. The two sample locks received have been retained as supply (in part) of the Indent now forwarded.

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20.6.85

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22-6-85

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26/6/85

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Nos 1486/1487 Way 25-6-85

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demanded (twelve), although they were informed that the two 6" Locks supplied by them as samples would be taken as part of the supply. The two extra Locks will be shipped with the others, but, if they cannot be utilized it is requested that they may be sent back to this country, in order that they may be returned to the firm. Two keys have been supplied with each Lock, instead of one as requested. The extra keys will be shipped with the locks as it is thought that they may be useful. If not required, they can be returned.

I regret the delay which has occurred in obtaining this supply, and which has been entirely due to Messrs Hobbs Hart & Co's neglect to give prompt attention to the instructions given to them. The Locks will now be shipped at the earliest opportunity.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Director General of Stores.

It is requested that the reply may be addressed—
The Director General of Stores,
India Office,
London.

India Office, London,

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It is requested that in any further communication on this subject the under-mentioned letters and number may be quoted, and the reply addressed to
The Director General of Stores,
India Office,
Westminster, S.W.

St 12950.

India Office, London,

18th December 1885.

Sir,

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The Secretary to the
Government of Madras,
Public Works Department

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in reply, dated 3rd December 1885, a copy of which is attached, stating that, after careful consideration, they were of opinion that half-rebated, not ½" rebated Locks, were really wanted.

It was thought probable that the expression "½" rebated" in the revised indent might have been a clerical error for "½ rebated", especially as the estimated prices in the revised indent agreed with Messrs Hobbs Hart & Co's list price for half-rebated Locks, whereas it is stated by them that ½" rebated locks would cost considerably more. For this reason, and because the ½" rebated Locks would be not only dearer but also weaker, it has been decided to accept the Locks and ship them to Madras, where, it is hoped, they will be found suitable. If, however, they should prove to be unsuitable, they should be returned to this country, as the contractors have agreed to exchange them.

Messrs Hobbs Hart & Co. have supplied the full number of 6" Locks originally demanded

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~~This letter appears to be written in mistake~~

W This is a duplicate of a letter already received - Please see No 90 W of 11.1.86.

Noted Cu 16.1.86

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Director General of Stores.

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Commd: with the enclosure to the Suptg: Engr: V Circle, with reference to his No 1119, d/ 18 June/85.

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S.E. V Circle with 1 enclos

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It is requested that the reply may be addressed—
The Director General of Stores,
India Office,
London.

India Office, London,
7th January 1886

A 13297.

Sir,

With reference to the last paragraph but one of my letter, of the 18th December 1885, I have now the honour to inform you that Messrs Hobbs Hart & Co having taken back one of the keys supplied with the locks for Fort St George, only one key will be shipped to India with each lock. The reduction in the prices of the Locks on account of this is 1/6d each.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Director General of Stores.

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Dept.
Madras.

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Public Works Dept.
Madras.

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Comd. to the S. E. V. C. in Contn. of G. O. No. 90 W.d. 11/1/86.

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