

Current No. 9386

Letter No. 2553

Dated 15th September 1888

From the Supy. Eng. F. A. A. A.

Enquire about the price of the
Jacks. over

NOTE OF REMARKS. 19.9.88

The Estimate under
review amounting
to Rs 644 provides for a
new supply of tools &
plant required by
the General Superintendent
P.W. Workshops at Madras.

The rate charged for
a screw cutting jack.
viz Rs 188 is for an
amiable instrument
12" in length with stand.

The charge made for
a measuring chain
100 ft in length is Rs 7-
against Rs 6 in the
P.W. Workshop list.

Rs 115 is charged in
the Estimate for each
screw jack, transverse
against Rs 47, 11, 8
a transverse 10 ton Jack.

It may be that a more powerful Jack is required if so it should have been explained.

The remaining items as far as can be checked are fair.

Cms P.

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P. W. DEPARTMENT.

Current No. 9386

From

The Supdg. Engineer
V circle

ENCLOS.—

No. 2553

Dated 15th Sept. 1888

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SUBJECT.

Subjg. for sanction an
Estimate of Rs 649 for new
supplies of Tools and
plant required by the
General Supd. P. W.
Workshops - Madras.

DISPOSAL.

No. 3556C Dated 20th Sept. 1888

The Supdg. Engineer V circle
is requested to explain
the description and
power of the Traversing
Screw jacks required
by the Genl. Supd. of the
P. W. Workshops.

It is observed that
the

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the rate given in the
Price List of P.W. Stones
for a 10 ton Traversing
screw jack is Rs 47-11-8,
which is considerably less
than the rate charged
in the Estimate viz:
Rs 115.

(By order)

(sd) W.L.C. Baddeley
Capt R.E.
Dy. Chief Engr P.W.D.

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No. 359 W.

PRESIDENCY P. W. WORKSHOPS,

Madras,

17th May 1888.

From

THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT,

P. W. WORKSHOPS,

To

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

V CIRCLE,

Madras.

SIR,

With reference to paras. 2 and 3 of the Government of India Resolution published with G.O., No. 202-W, dated 25th January 1886, I have the honor to request you to obtain the sanction of Government to my purchasing in the local market, for the reasons stated, certain articles of European manufacture as overleaf.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

Alfonse

General Superintendent, P. W. Workshops.

PRESIDENCY P. W. WORKSHOPS,

Madras,

17th May 1888.

No. 766-

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

V Circle, Chépák,

Bangalore 22^d May 1888.

Colonel, R.E.,

Superintending Engineer, V Circle.

Orange

General Superintendent, P. W. Workshops.

commendation that it be complied with.

no 1679 w of 2. 7. 86.

P.W.C. No. 484
P.W. No. 59
21-5-88

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P. W. DEPARTMENT.

From

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

V CIRCLE,

To

THE CHIEF ENGINEER,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

1923. 5. 88 in dupl

No. 466.

Dated 22nd

Reed.

May 1888.

No. 1645 w of 5 June 1888

Subject.

Requesting that sanction may be given to the purchase of certain articles of European manufacture in the Local market.

S.E. V Circle
Examiner P.W. Accounts.

With order.

Reg. No. 617 w
21. 9. 88.

P. W. Dept.

To be returned with
reply.

No. 3556C of 20 Sept. 1888

The Supdy. Engineer
V circle is requested
to explain the description
and power of the
Traversing Screw jacks
required by the Genl.
Supt. of the P.W. Workshops.

It is observed that
the rate given in the
Price List of P.W. Stores
for a 10 ton Traversing
Screw jack is Rs 47-11-8,
which is considerably less
than the rate charged in
the Estimate viz: Rs 115.

(By order)

W. B. B. B. B.

Capt. R. E.

Dy. Chief Engineer P.W.D.

From

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

V CIRCLE,

To

THE

Chief Engineer

P.W. Department.

Dated 15th

Reed. 18th

September 1888.

ENCLOSURES. 1 in dupl.

No. 2553

Tools & Plant.

Submits for sanction an
Estimate of Rs 659 for
New Supplies of

No. 2553.

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

V CIRCLE, MADRAS,

Chennai, 15 September 1887.

From

Colonel H M Vibart R.E.

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

V CIRCLE,

To

THE

*Chief Engineer
P.W. Department.*

SIR,

Enclosures. /

*Estimate in
duplicate.*

*I have the honor to submit for
sanction an Estimate of Rs 649 for new
supplies of Tools and Plant required
by the General Superintendent P. W.
Workshops Madras.*

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

*H M Vibart
Colonel R.E.*

Superintending Engineer V Circle

9TH DECEMBER 1887, No. 1289, FINANCIAL.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers :—

From Brigadier-General E. FAUNCE, Quartermaster-General, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Ootacamund, 8th November 1887, No. 3212-B.

With reference to O.G., No. 3856, dated 1st July 1887, I have the honor, by order, to state that the experience of this office and that of the divisional offices of this department generally shows that the black and the red ink powders supplied by the Stationery Department are quite useless and signally fail to produce fluids worthy of the name of inks.

2. Vinegar and other things have been added to the so-called inks produced by mixing water with the powders, but without altering their character; the liquids contain a granular precipitate and are so colorless that, while almost invisible when used on blue paper, they fade rapidly, so that they are unfit for use in connection with Government records, which ought to be legible for years.

3. In consequence of the worthlessness of the ink thus supplied, departmental officers have been compelled to purchase good ink for the use of their offices at their own cost in the local market—a proceeding which Government certainly does not contemplate.

4. I am accordingly to bring the matter to the notice of Government in view to measures being taken for the supply by the Stationery Department, which is now dealing with indents for stationery for the coming year, of either ink powders of superior quality to those it now procures, or of good ink (black and red) in liquid form.

5. Meanwhile, I am to ask that divisional and district officers of this department may be authorised to supply themselves with ink of suitable quality by purchase in the local market, the cost of it being adjusted in their periodical contingent bill for office contingencies.

No. 6995.

Transferred to the Financial Department, with reference to G.O., in that department, No. 554, dated 2nd May 1887.

FORT ST. GEORGE, (Signed) A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Brigr.-Genl.,
11th November 1887. Secretary to Govt., Mil. Dept.

From R. W. BARLOW, Esq., C.S., Superintendent of Stationery, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 30th November 1887, No. 1589.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your endorsement, dated 18th instant, referring to me, for remarks, letter (herewith returned) from the Quartermaster-General, No. 3212-B, dated 8th November 1887, complaining of the black and red ink powders supplied to his department by this office.

2. First, with reference to the complaint against the bad quality of the fuchsine powder. This powder is obtained from England through the Secretary of State for India, and is supplied to all public offices, the Secretariat included,—Blackwood's red

ink being supplied only to offices of account. This is the first complaint ever received by this office against this powder, and my own experience has shown it to be quite suitable for all ordinary office work.

3. Secondly, in respect to the black ink powder, it has been tested and approved by the Chemical Examiner of Madras, who selected it from several sent to him for analysis, and if the fluid is prepared according to the directions of the manufacturer, which are labelled on each packet of the powder, it will be found to be of sufficiently good quality for all purposes. The ink with which this letter is written is prepared from this powder, which is used for both scriptory and account work with satisfactory results in this office, and I beg to send to Government for trial a quart of this ink prepared in my presence from the powder.

4. The Quartermaster-General complains that the color of the ink rapidly fades. In view to ascertain this, I examined the office records as far back as the date of the introduction of these powders into the office, and I find the color has not suffered, except only in cases where the paper itself has become discolored from age and exposure.

5. It seems to me that the cause of complaint does not lie in the powders, but in the mode of their preparation, this part of the work being left to the office moochees, who do not, I suspect, closely attend to the directions of the manufacturer, and who may possibly misappropriate the funds for the purchase of vinegar, which is the only ingredient mixed with the powders in preparing the ink.

6. The procedure of the Deputy Quartermaster-General in asking divisional officers to buy their own ink, and charge it to "Contingencies," is, I beg to observe, against the orders of Government.

7. In September last, the Executive Engineer, Nilgiris, complained of this black powder supplied to him, but when it was pointed out to him that the cause of complaint probably lay in the manner in which he prepared the ink, he subsequently reported that he was "glad to be able to say that it was sufficiently good for use."

8. If under these circumstances, the Government consider that there is still any necessity for procuring ink of better quality, I have the honor to submit a statement showing the cost of the ink in the past year, and what the probable cost of the same will be if other inks or powders are substituted.

9. The contract for the powders of black ink, now in use, lasts till end of March 1889.—*Vide* G.O., dated 21st January 1886, Mis. No. 66.

ENCLOSURE.

Memorandum.

Quantity and description of Inks used in 1886-87.	Cost of the same.	Quantity and description of other Inks that may be substituted.	Cost.	Loss by substitution.
<i>Black Ink.</i>	RS.		RS.	RS.
3,467 dozen papers or 20,802 quarts of country ink and vinegar required for making the ink (Rs. 3,900).	5,164	(1) 20,802 quarts of Stephen's blue-black ink (English) ..	31,896	26,732
		(2) Aryan and Co.'s blue-black ink (Indian) ..	26,003	20,839
		(3) Chundabhai's do. (do.) ..	15,602	10,438
		(4) Hakim Abdul Karim's blue-black ink (Indn.) ..	13,624	8,460
		(5) Aryan do. (do.) ..	12,135	6,971
		(6) Stephen's black ink (English) ..	31,896	26,732
		(7) 3,467 dozen papers of English black ink powder as per latest invoice available in the office and the vinegar required, Rs. 3,900	6,780	1,616
<i>Red Ink.</i>				
3,002 oz. of red ink-powder or fuchsine or 18,012 quarts of red ink.	677	(1) 18,012 quarts of Blackwood's red ink as per latest invoice available in the office ..	12,179	11,502
		(2) Stephen's scarlet ink (English) ..	82,855	82,178
		(3) Chandabhai's scarlet ink (Indian) ..	13,509	12,832

ORDER—dated 9th December 1887, No. 1289, Financial.

The remarks of the Superintendent of Stationery will be communicated to the Military and other departments.

2. The Government are not prepared to sanction any change, and agree in considering that the ink is of very fair quality if properly made.

(True Extract.)

H. E. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Departments of the Secretariat.
„ Superintendent of Stationery.

Exd. A. Raitt.

GOVT.
OF MADRAS. }

1888.

{ P.W.
DEPT.

EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS.

Madras, 14 May

1888.

OFFICE NOTE No. 1486

To
W.

With reference to P.W. Code
para 842 (standing order No. 180 of
1887), please obtain the sanction of
Government to the purchase in the
local market of the following articles
required for use with a cyclostyle,
and which are not procurable from the
Stationery Department -

Cyclostyle paper, 1 quire Rs. 4-0-0
Black ink, 1 jar. Rs. 3-8-0

Total Rs. 7-8-0

14/5

14/5
14/5

KEEP-WITH Genl. No.

dated 188 .

1,000-7-2-88.

Govt. of 1887 Madras.
FINANCIAL

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Encl.

G.O., 9th December 1887, No. 1289.

No. 79 Wd/10 Jan'y 1888

DECEMBER.

Stationery.

Communicating to all Secretariat Departments
letter from the Superintendent of - respecting
the way in which inks are to be prepared from
the black and red ink powders now supplied.

With Order

No. 79 Wd/10 Jan'y 1888.

*Communicated to
Officers of the Public Works
Department.*

(La) J.O.H.

*C. I. for J.
Ch. for Rep.
Suptg. Engrs.
Ch. to Road.
Enr P.W.A.
Enr Ry Accts.*

From

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

V CIRCLE,

To

THE

Chief Engineer
P.W. Department.

Dated

10th

Recd.

12th

October 1888.

ENCLOSURES.

No. 3283 W 7/15-10-88

No. 2966.

6 Bottles of Vinegar & one
Small tin box of Red Ink
Powder -

Requests sanction for
the purchase of - to
enable the Examiner to
admit the charge.

W. W. W. W.

No. 3254.

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

V CIRCLE, MADRAS,

Bangalore
Chennai, 26 October 1888.

From

Colonel H. M. Vibart R.E.

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

V CIRCLE,

To

THE

Chief Engineer
P.W. D.

SIR,

Enclosures.

The General Superintendent P. W.
Workshop Division has purchased Printing
red Ink for No. 1-4-4 in the month of
August 1888 and for No. 1-2-4 in the month
of September 1888 for stamping vouchers.

I have the honor to request that
sanction may be accorded for the above
charges to remove the Examiner's objection.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

Alfred Vibart
Colonel R.E.

Superintending Engineer V Circle

From

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

V CIRCLE,

To

THE

*Chief Engineer
P.W. Department*

Dated

26

October 1888.

Recd.



ENCLOSURES.

No. 3264.

Printing Press Sub.

*Requests sanction for
the purchase of — by
Sd. Supt. P.W. Workshops.*

*R.P.
There are
a number of
a work or two
x Perhaps S.D.
29-10-88*

*with order
for the order*

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

V Circle, Madras,

Bangalore
25 October 1888.

No. 3217

From

Col. R. M. Vibart R.E.

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, V CIRCLE,

To

THE *Chief Engineer*
P.W. Department

SIR,

Enclosures.

*In returning your en-
dorsement No 3556c dated
20 September 1888, I have the
honor to state that the
traversing screw jacks re-
ferred to are capable of
lifting 12 tons. The purchase
of these jacks for Rs 115 each
was sanctioned in G.O. No 1645
of 5 June 1888, and the General
Superintendent reports that
they have been already pur-
chased for the price sanc-
tioned, and that had the
two jacks been obtained
from*

from England their total
cost would have amounted
to Rs 210, or about 10 per
cent; less than the price
for which they have ^{been} local
ly purchased.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most Obedt Servant

Wm. P. West Coll. R.C.

Suptg Engineer
5th Circle

1645 N of 5/6/88
3556 C of 20/9/88

3452 W of 31st Oct 1888
B

The estimate amounting
to Rs 649 for tools &
plant required in the
P.W. Workshops, Madras
is sanctioned.

This sanction has
been registered as
Provincial No 105 N
of 1888-89, & classified
as Tools & Plant.

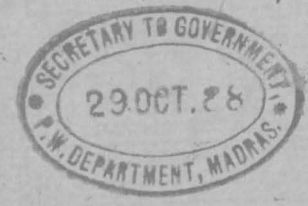
WVW
29.10.88
MRH
29/10/88

B. J.

Sd. V. Circle
S. S. V. Circle
with the estimate
Ex: 1/10/88
Dupto: estimate
Jd
3/11

From
THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
V Circle,
To
THE Chief Engineer
P.W. Department.

Dated 25th } October 1888.
Recd. 29 }



ENCLOSURES. 2 (in duplicate)

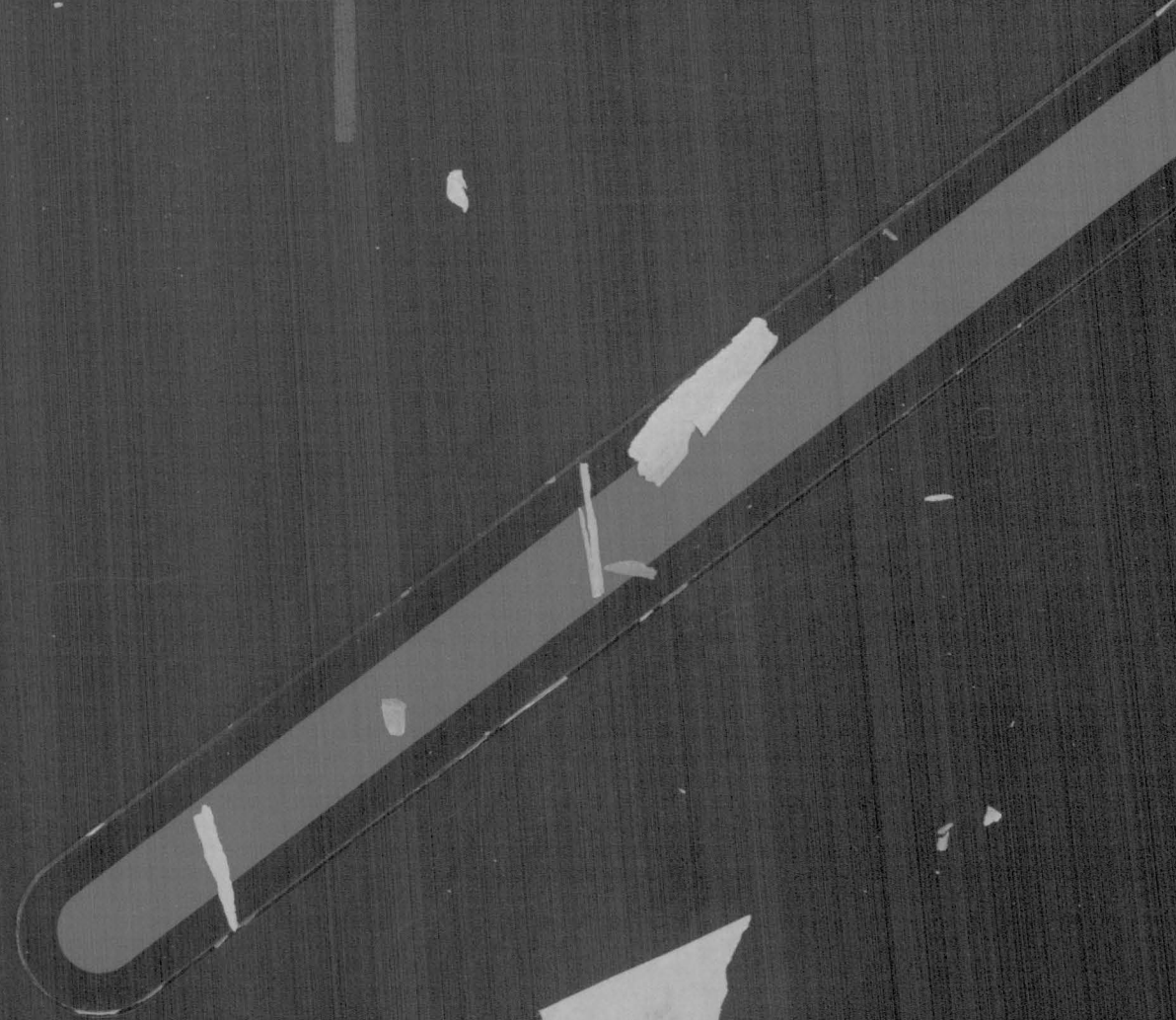
3452 W of 31st Oct 1888

No. 3217.

Transmitting Screw Jacks.

States that the — are
capable of lifting 12 tons. &
the purchase of these jacks
for Rs 115 each was sanctioned
in G. O. No. 1645 N. of 5th June/88.

with the order
written



15/11