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MILITARY.

To
THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
&c., &c., &c.

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*Command: to the R.E.
V. Circle for very early
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*Sgt W. L. CB
D.W.*

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Army Clothing Agency, Madras.—Applica-
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communicated, with remark, to the Public Works
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Read the following paper :—

No. 318. *From Colonel W. S. HUNT, Superintendent, Army Clothing, to Brigadier-General A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Madras, 12th November 1888, No. 117.*

I have the honor to bring to the notice of Government the very unsatisfactory condition of the buildings at present used by the machine or manufacturing department of the Agency.

2. These are situated to the east of the main building, and during the recent heavy rains proved their utter unsuitability for use as a factory.

3. Previous to the rains there was nothing in the general appearance of the rooms with which to find fault, except that they were low and barely large enough to hold the work-people; but during the bad weather experienced a few days ago they leaked to such an extent as to necessitate the suspension, for some days, of all work, which caused very serious inconvenience and delay.

4. It was a fortunate circumstance that measures were taken immediately to protect the sewing machines and the clothing in process of manufacture, or the damages might have been considerable seeing that the water literally poured through the roof and partially flooded the rooms.

5. No time was also lost in requesting the Public Works authorities to see to the leaks, but I doubt whether any repairs will permanently help to remedy matters owing to the age of the buildings and the pitch of the roof, which appears faulty and would seem to require entire removal.

6. I may add that these rooms were formerly a block of *out-offices*, and though not sufficiently large, I allotted them to the factory when the present premises were being altered for the Clothing Department, with a view, if possible, to save Government the expense of building a new shed. But after the experience of the past fortnight, their unsuitability is so apparent that I am compelled to ask Government to sanction the erection of a new shed for the factory.

7. In their Proceedings in the Public Works Department, No. 1406, dated 14th May 1888, communicated under No. 3696 Military, dated 4th June 1888, Government were pleased to sanction plans and estimates for two new sheds in the event of the transfer of the Bombay Clothing Agency to Madras. One of these sheds, No. 3, estimated to cost Rs. 7,612, will meet the requirements of the factory, and I trust Government will, under the circumstances now explained, be pleased to order its early erection.

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(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Brigdr.-Genl.,
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