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6TH JANUARY 1890, No. 5 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Military Works.

READ—the following papers :—

From Brigadier-General M. PROTHEROE, C.B., C.S.I., Quartermaster-General, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Ootacamund, 4th December 1889, No. 4496 A.

With reference to the correspondence on the subject of the provision of suitable accommodation for a wing of British Infantry in Fort St. George, terminating with the Government Order as per margin,* I have been desired by the Commander-in-Chief to represent as follows for the consideration of Government.

* Dated 8th November 1889, No. 7742.

2. As the result of the correspondence noted in the margin, † the following estimates for the improvement of the above accommodation have been sanctioned by Government for execution :—

† P.G., dated 22nd November 1887, No. 7314.
" " 19th September 1888, " 6321.
" " 23rd October " " 7038.
" " 14th November " " 7587.
" " 12th August 1889, " 5434.
" " 2nd September " " 6024.
" " 1st October " " 6724.
" " 15th " " " 7038.

	RS.
I.—Conversion of old Adjutant-General's office into barracks for 60 singlemen (Proceedings of Government, dated 22nd November 1887, No. 7314)	5,400
II.—Conversion of main-guard and adjacent officers' quarters into barracks for 70 singlemen (Proceedings of Government, dated 19th September 1888, No. 6321)	5,785
III.—Construction of 2 rooms and bath-rooms on second floor of Nos. 4 and 5 Field Officers' quarters in Fort St. George to adapt them for use as Surgeon-General's office (Proceedings of Government, dated 23rd October 1888, No. 7038; dated 14th November 1888, No. 7587; dated 2nd September 1889, No. 6024; dated 1st October 1889, No. 6724; and dated 8th November 1889, No. 7742).	4,915
Total ...	16,100

and money for the first two items has been allotted during the current year.

3. It has, however, now been found that considerable difficulty would be experienced, owing to the crowded state of the Fort, in providing suitable latrine accommodation for the 70 men proposed to be located in the main-guard block of buildings, which is situated at some distance from the present British Infantry latrines, and this difficulty, which was unfortunately overlooked when the question was originally discussed, has led to a reconsideration of the project, with the result recorded in the extract from proceedings of a Special Committee and in copy of letter, number and date as per margin, from the Surgeon-General, Her Majesty's Forces, herewith forwarded.

No. 3325, dated 22nd November 1889.

4. Shortly stated, the proposals of the Committee in substitution of the scheme already sanctioned are :—

	RS.
I.—The conversion of the Officers' and Staff-Sergeants' quarters on the east flank of the King's barracks into quarters for 100 singlemen at an estimated cost of	2,335
II.—Conversion of 12 married quarters in C. block family quarters into 7 quarters for Warrant Officers at an estimated cost of ..	165
III.—Conversion of No. 3 Captains' quarters into battery orderly-room, offices and stores, estimated cost	*Nil*
IV.—Conversion of existing rooms over main-guard into Adjutant's office, orderly-room, Quartermaster's and Paymaster's offices, estimated cost	*Nil*
V.—Demolition of certain old buildings to the north, south and west of the old canteen, and substitution of an iron railing for the wall of the infant school thus rendering it possible to locate 38 more men on the ground floor of King's barracks	805
Total ...	3,305

5. The advantages to be gained by the adoption of the revised proposals are :—

(*a*) A probable saving of about Rs. 13,000 on the estimates already sanctioned.
(*b*) Conversion of main-guard block and old Adjutant-General's office into quarters for single-men unnecessary, and consequent transfer of Surgeon-General's office and provision of additional latrine accommodation avoided.
(*c*) Accommodation of entire wing, British Infantry Battalion, in one block of buildings.
(*d*) Addition to the open spaces within the limits of the Fort, and consequent improved circulation of air and ventilation of existing barracks.

6. The demolition of the old canteen, specified as one of the buildings in No. 5 group of the Public Works list of military buildings, Madras Sub-division, has also been recommended in connection with the scheme for a Regimental Institute.

7. It will be observed that, provided the above demolitions recommended by the Committee be carried out, the Surgeon-General, Her Majesty's Forces, concurs in the recommendations of the Committee, including those with regard to the location of 38 additional men on the ground-floor of King's barrack, and, under these circumstances, I am to say that, should Government sanction the demolitions in question, His Excellency will withdraw the objections raised in this office letter as per margin to the residence of more than 24 men on the ground-floor of this barrack, and consent to the location thereon of additional 38 men as proposed by the Committee.

No. 2374 A., dated 29th June 1888, paras. 3 and 4 (printed in Proceedings of Government, No. 6321, dated 19th September 1888).

8. It is to be regretted that the project now submitted by the Committee was not previously thought of. In His Excellency's opinion it is preferable in every respect to that previously proposed, and sanction to which has been accorded by Government in the above three estimates, and Sir Charles Arbuthnot would, therefore, urge its acceptance in lieu of the former scheme, the recommendation of the Surgeon-General as to the demolition of the block of buildings marked T on plan III now used as a urinal for the men in King's barrack, and the substitution of a neat iron urinal being authorised at the same time. It has been ascertained by reference to the General Officer Commanding Madras District that he also is in favor of this demolition and substitution.

9. Further inquiries will be made as to the proposed demolition of the grand magazine and buildings marked K, L and M in plan III, now occupied by the adult and infant schools, and by the schoolmaster and schoolmistress, and should the proposals of the Committee in this respect prove feasible, a further communication will be made to Government on the subject.

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ENCLOSURES.

PROCEEDINGS of a Committee assembled at Fort St. George on the 21st October 1889, by order of Brigadier-General G J. Smart, R.A., Commanding Madras District, under instructions from Army Head-quarters, for the purpose of considering certain proposals in connection with the extra accommodation required for the British Infantry stationed in Fort St. George.

President.

Brigadier-General G. J. SMART, R.A., Commanding Madras District.

Members.

Colonel F. SMALLEY, District Staff Officer, Madras District.
Major C. F. N. LEQUESNE, Commanding Wing, 1st Battalion, Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry.

Captain E. POLLOCK, R.A., Commanding No. 1 Battery, Eastern Division, Royal Artillery.

In attendance.

Colonel W. H. BURTON, R.E., Superintending Engineer, No. V Circle.
Dy. Surg.-Genl. S. B. ROE, C.B., M.B., Her Majesty's Forces, Madras District.

The Committee, having assembled pursuant to order, proceed to inspect the various buildings in connection with the scheme now proposed, and are of opinion that the upper floor of the Staff Sergeants' quarters situated on the east flank of the King's barracks (plan No. III-Q) if converted into one large dormitory by arching the walls dividing the quarters and the rooms in the quarters, as shown in plan No. 1 annexed, ample and excellent accommodation would be afforded for 100 men.

The cost of this conversion will be Rs. 2,335, as per letter No. 4905, dated 28th ultimo, from the Superintending Engineer, V Circle, attached.

With reference to the conversion of a portion of the C block family quarters, plan No. III-R, into quarters for the Staff Sergeants displaced from the King's barracks, it appears to the Committee to be necessary to consider what would be the requirements in this respect, in the event of the head-quarters of a regiment being located in Fort St. George; accommodation would in that case be required for two Warrant Officers, viz., Sergeant-Major and Band Master, and five Staff Sergeants, viz., Quartermaster-Sergeant, Orderly-room Sergeant, Paymaster Sergeant, Armourer Sergeant, and Sergeant Drummer. There are 27 quarters in the C block, and of these it is proposed to convert 12 into seven Warrant Officers' and Staff Sergeants' quarters in the manner shown in plan No. II attached; this conversion will cost Rs. 165 as per letter above referred to enclosed; there will then remain 15 quarters for the other families of the wing, of which there are 10 at present, but as there would undoubtedly be a larger number if the head-quarters are located in the Fort, any extra accommodation required for them, or married details attached, could be found in B block family quarters. Plan No. III-S, which also contains 27 quarters, and in which there are at present only the families of the Garrison Battery, six in number, not including the Master Gunner and the Battery orderly-room and offices as a temporary arrangement. these it would be necessary, and for many reasons it is now very desirable to remove, the Committee recommend that No 3 Captains' quarters, plan No. III-P (condemned as a quarter), should be handed over to the Battery as orderly-room, offices and store-rooms which were to have been located in the original scheme of conversion on the ground-floor of the old Adjutant-General's office.

The Committee consider that the rooms over the main-guard are well adapted, both as regards accommodation afforded and situation, for the Adjutant's office and orderly-room, now located in the Staff Sergeants' quarters in the King's barracks, also for Quartermaster office; space is also here available for a Paymaster's office in the event of one being required, no alterations are required and consequently no expenditure.

The conversion of the Staff Sergeant's quarters into a dormitory and the provision of accommodation for that displaced thereby having been considered, the Committee would most strongly beg to recommend the demolition of at least the buildings on the north, south and west of the refreshment room (old canteen) marked A, B, C on plan III attached and the substitution of an iron railing for the wall of the infant school yard D.D.D., plan III, the demolition would cost nothing, and iron railing about Rs. 805, *vide* estimate attached. These buildings, which contain Quartermaster and Paymaster offices, Quartermaster's stores and Non-commissioned officer's room are not required; the two first being provided for in rooms over main-guard as already shown, and the others on the disused portion of the ground-floor of the King's barracks, or in some of the Pay Sergeant's rooms there situated, and Regimental Institute respectively.

The demolition of these buildings would not only allow of a freer circulation of air, but would admit of a larger number of men being permanently located on the ground-floor of the

King's barracks. The Committee are aware His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief is not favorable to the re-occupation of this floor permanently to a greater extent than that already sanctioned, but the demolition recommended would so open out and improve the ventilation of a large portion of the ground-floor on the east flank that the Committee, after carefully considering the subject, are of opinion that 38 men might well be permanently located here, in addition to the 24 already sanctioned, with all due regard to comfort, health and sanitation; and by this arrangement not only would the additional accommodation required be obtained, and the whole of the Infantry located in one building (undoubtedly a great advantage), but the conversion of the old Adjutant-General's office and main-guard block and provision of a latrine in connection therewith rendered unnecessary, and two of the best quarters in the Fort retained, but the large saving of nearly Rs. 13,000 effected to the State or set free for some other urgently required work, such for instance as the construction of stables and coach-houses on the site of the old gas works, and a portion of this sum might, with great advantage, be expended in improving the men's latrine of the King's barracks, which is that for a full regiment, and has many defects.

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(Signed) G. J. SMART, Brigdr.-Genl., Commdg. Madras District. } President.
(„) F. SMALLEY, Colonel, District Staff Officer, Madras District.
(„) C. F. N. LEQUESNE, Major, Commdg. Wing, 1st Battn., Duke of Cornwall's L. I.
(„) E. POLLOCK, Captain, Commanding No. 1 Battery, Eastern Division, Royal Artillery. } Members.
(„) W. H. BURTON, Col., R.E., Superintending Engineer, V Circle.
(„) S. B. ROE, M.B., Dy. Surg.-Genl., H. M's. Forces, Madras District. } In attendance.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. G. HUTCHINS, Colonel,
Deputy Quartermaster-General.

From Colonel W. H. BURTON, R.E., Superintending Engineer, V Circle, to the District Staff Officer, Madras District, dated Chepāk, 28th October 1889, No. 4905.

With reference to the Proceedings of the Brigadier-General's Committee which I attended in Fort St. George on Thursday last the 24th instant, I have the honor to state that providing quarters for Staff Sergeants in C block married soldiers' quarters, as shown on enclosed plan, will cost about Rs. 165.

2. Also that throwing down such of the cross walls in upper storey as do not support the roof, and making 16 foot half circular arches in those walls which do support the roof in the King's barrack in the portion now occupied by ten staff Sergeants, &c., will cost about Rs. 2,335.

3 If these works are approved of by His Excellency the Commander in-Chief as deviations from those sanctioned by Government, as alterations to main-guard, old Adjutant-General's office, and additional storey to No. 465 Field Officer's quarters, I would request to be so informed by telegraph.

FORT ST. GEORGE ST. MARY'S CHARITY SCHOOL.—Dismantling compound wall and enclosing with iron rails.

						RS. A. P.		RS.
1	148	1-3	6-6	1202-6	Dismantling compound wall ..	1 9 0	100 C. ft.	19
1	300	..	5	..	Three-quarter inch square iron barred rails 6 inches w. part with flat iron (2½" × ½") top and bottom frames including fixing.	2 8 0	P. feet ..	750
					Carting rubbish	..	..	10
					Contingencies	..	..	26
							Total ..	805

(Signed) R. W. MACALISTER,
Sub-Divisional Officer.

From Sir J. A. HANBURY, M.B., K.C.B., Surgeon-General, Her Majesty's Forces, to the Quartermaster-General, Ootacamund, dated Fort St. George, 22nd November 1889, No. 3325.

No. 4123-A (Accommodation for Troops—European), dated 14th November 1889.

With reference to the papers forwarded with your letter noted in the margin, the enclosures of which are herewith returned, I have the honor to state, for the information of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, that I quite concur in the opinions expressed in the Proceedings of the Committee assembled at Fort St. George on the 21st October 1889 regarding the conversion of certain buildings and demolition of others, so as to afford the required extra accommodation for troops, and, in addition, I would strongly recommend that the block of buildings containing urinals and some barrack stores be removed, and urinals of corrugated iron be erected in their place, the outer walls of which should not reach lower than 2 feet from the ground. The removal of this block I regard as of great importance (from a sanitary point of view) to the neighbouring buildings, as the block in question and its surroundings appear to be saturated with foul matter.

No. 8571, Military.

Transferred to the Public Works Department for disposal with reference to the undermentioned Proceedings of Government:—

No. 3000 W., dated 9th November 1887.
„ 2612 W., „ 24th August 1888.
„ 3145 W., „ 8th October „
„ 3566 W., „ 8th November 1888.
„ 1968 W., „ 22nd July 1889.
„ 2236 W., „ 16th August 1889.
„ 2600 W., „ 19th September 1889.
„ 2733 W., „ 30th September „
„ 7038 (Military), dated 15th October 1889.

2. The revised proposals now submitted are generally approved.

(By Order.)

FORT ST. GEORGE, (Signed) A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Brigdr.-Genl.,
11th December 1889. Secretary to Government.

ORDER—dated 6th January 1890, No. 5 W., Public Works.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer, V Circle, for early submission of estimates in accordance with His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief's proposals.

(True Extract.)

Captain, R.E.,
Under-Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, V Circle, with three plans.
„ Military Department.

Exd J. Moses.
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Govt. of {1890} Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated January, 6th.

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 6th Jan. 1890, No. 5 W.

JANUARY.

Accommodation for a Wing of British Infantry in Fort St. George

Letter from the Quartermaster submitting revised proposals for providing —, communicated to the Superintending Engineer, V Circle, for early submission of estimates.

No. 5 W. 6th Jany. 90

Form No. 7 B.

HEADING Accommodation for Troops European.

QUARTER MASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Ootacamund,
4th December 1889.

It is requested that the heading, number, and date of this communication may be quoted in any subsequent correspondence on this subject.

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No. 4496 A.

From
BRIGADIER-GENERAL M. PROTHEROE, C.B., C.S.I.,
QUARTER MASTER GENERAL,

To
THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

1.

With reference to the correspondence on the subject of the provision of suitable accommodation for a wing of British Infantry in Fort Saint George, terminating with the G.O.* as per margin, I have been desired by the Commander-in-Chief to represent as follows for the consideration of Government.

*Dated 8th November 1889, No. 7747.

2.

As the results of the correspondence noted in the margin, the following estimates for the improvement of the above accommodation, have been sanctioned by Government for execution.

*G.O. dated	22nd November 1887,	No. 7314
" "	19th September 1886,	" 6321
" "	23rd October "	" 7038
" "	14th November "	" 7587
" "	12th August 1889	" 5434
" "	2nd September "	" 6024
" "	1st October "	" 6724
" "	18th " "	" 7038

I. Conversion of old Adjutant General's Office into Barracks for 60 Single men (P. G. dated 22nd November 1887, No. 7314) .. Rs. 5400

II. Conversion of main guard and adjacent Officers' Quarters into Barracks for 70 Single men (P. G. dated 17th September 1888, No. 6321) 5785

III. Construction of 2 rooms and bath rooms on second floor of Nos. 4 and 5 Field Officers' Quarters in Fort Saint George, to adapt them for use as Surgeon General's Office (P. G. dated 23rd October 1888, No. 7038, dated 14th November 1888 No. 7587, dated 2nd September 1889 No. 6024, dated 1st October 1889 No. 6724 and dated 8th November 1889 No. 7742 4915

Total Rs. 16,100

and money for the first two items has been allotted during the current year.

3. It has, however, now been found that considerable difficulty would be experienced, owing to the crowded state of the Fort, in providing suitable latrine accommodation for the 70 men proposed to be located in the main guard block of buildings, which is situated at some distance from the present British Infantry Latrines, and this difficulty which was unfortunately overlooked when the question was originally discussed, has led to a reconsideration of the project, with the result recorded in the extract from proceedings of a Special Committee and in copy of letter,* number and date as per margin, from the Surgeon General Her Majesty's Forces, herewith forwarded.

* No. 3325 dated 22nd November 1889.

4. Shortly stated, the proposals of the Committee in substitution of the scheme already sanctioned, are

I. The conversion of the Offices and Staff Serjeants' quarters on the east flank of the King's Barracks into quarters for 100 single men at an estimated cost of .... Rs. 2335

II. Conversion of 12 married quarters in C. Block Family Quarters, into 7 Quarters for warrant officers, at an estimated cost of 165

II.

III. Conversion of No. 3 Captains' Quarters into Battery orderly room offices and stores. estimated cost .... Nil

IV. Conversion of existing rooms over main guard into Adjutant's office, orderly room, Quarter masters and Paymasters offices. estimated cost ... Nil

V. Demolition of certain old buildings to the North, South and West of the old Canteen, and substitution of an iron railing for the wall of the Infant school thus rendering it possible to locate 38 more men, on the ground floor of Kings Barracks 805

Rs 3,305

5. The advantages to be gained by the adoption of the revised proposals, are :-

a. a probable saving of about Rs 13,000 on the estimates already sanctioned.

b. Conversion of Main guard block and old Adjutant General's Office into quarters for single men unnecessary, and consequent transfer of Surgeon General's Office and provision of additional latrine accommodation avoided.

c.

c. accommodation of entire Wing British Infantry Battalion in one block of buildings.

d. addition to the open spaces within the limits of the Fort, and consequent improved circulation of air and ventilation of existing Barracks.

6. The demolition of the old canteen, specified as one of the buildings in No. 5 group of the Public Works List of Military buildings Madras Sub Division, has also been recommended in connection with the scheme for a Regimental Institute.

7. It will be observed that, provided the above demolitions recommended by the Committee be carried out, the Surgeon General, Her Majesty's Forces, concurs in the recommendations of the Committee, including those with regard to the location of 38 additional men on the ground floor of Kings Barrack, and under

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these circumstances, I am to say that, should Government sanction the demolitions in question, His Excellency will withdraw the objections raised in this Office letter as per margin,* to the residence of more than 24 men on the ground floor of this barrack, and consent to the location thereon of additional 38 men, as proposed by the Committee.

* No. 2374 A dated 29th June 1888, paras 3 and 4 (printed in P.G. No. 6321 dated 19th September 1888).

8. It is to be regretted that the project now submitted by the Committee was not previously thought of. In His Excellency's opinion it is preferable in every respect to that previously proposed, and sanction to which has been accorded by Government in the above three estimates, and Sir Charles Arbuthnot would, therefore, urge its acceptance in lieu of the former scheme, the recommendation of the Surgeon General as to the demolition of the block of buildings marked T on plan III now used

as a urinal for the men in King's Barrack, and the substitution of a neat iron urinal being authorized at the same time. It has been ascertained by reference to the General Officer Commanding Madras District that he also is in favor of this demolition and substitution.

9. Further inquiries will be made as to the proposed demolition of the grand magazine and buildings marked K. L. and M. in plan III, now occupied by the adult and Infant Schools, and by the School master and School mistress, and should the proposals of the Committee in this respect prove feasible, a further communication will be made to Government on the subject.

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I have the honor &c
Sir
your Obedient Servant
W. Protheroe Brigr. Genl.
Quarter Master General

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6 spare copies of the P.G. on this letter are required.

P.W. No. 11925

Military (18 89) Department.

No. ~~8899~~

From

THE QUARTER MASTER GENERAL,

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

No. 4496 A.

Dated 4th } December 1889.
Received 7th }

Recd 13.12.89

ENCLOSURES. 7 (+ 3 plans)

Provision of suitable accommodation for a Wing of British Infantry in Fort Saint George.

P.G. 22.11.1887 No. 7314 R
" 19.9.1888 No. 6321 R
" 22.10.1888 No. 7033 R
" 15.11.1888 No. 7587 R
" 12.8.1889 No. 5434 R
" 2.9.1889 No. 6024 R
" 1.10.1889 No. 6724 R
" 18.10.1889 No. 7038 R
" 8.11.1889 No. 7742 R

Fort St George
11 Decr 1889

No. 8571 Mls
11 Dec

P.W. DEPARTMENT, MADRAS.
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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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2. The revised proposals now submitted are generally approved

A Kenney Herbert
Maj. Genl.
Secy to Govt
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Enclosures

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Proceedings of a committee assembled at Fort Saint George on the 21st October 1889, by order of Brigr. General G. J. Smart, R.A. commanding Madras District under instructions from Army Head Quarters, for the purpose of considering certain proposals in connection with the extra accommodation required for the British Infantry stationed in Fort St. George.

President

Brigr. Genl. G. J. Smart, R.A.
Commanding Madras District

Members

Col. H. Smalley. District Staff Officer, Madras Dt.
Major C. H. N. Le Quesne, commanding Wing
1st Bn Duke of Cornwall's L.I.
Captain E. Pollock, R.A.
Commanding No. 1 Baty: Eastern Dn R.A.

In attendance

Colonel W. N. Burton R.E.
Supdg: Engineer No. II circle
Dy: Surgeon General S. B. Roe, C.B. M.D.
Her Majesty's Forces, Madras Dt:

The committee having assembled pursuant

pursuant to order, proceed to inspect the various buildings in connection with the scheme now proposed, and are of opinion that the upper floor of the Staff Sergeants quarters situated on the East flank of the King's Barracks (Plan No. III Q.) if converted into one large dormitory by arching the walls dividing the quarters and the rooms in the quarters, as shown in plan No. 1 annexed, ample and excellent accommodation would be afforded for 100 men.

The cost of this conversion will be Rs. 2335, as per letter No. 4905 dated 28th ultimo from the Superintending Engineer V circle, attached.

With reference to the conversion of a portion of the C. Block Family Quarters Plan No. III, R into quarters for the Staff Sergeants displaced from the King's Barracks, it appears to the Committee to be necessary to consider what would be the requirements in this respect, in the event of the Head Quarters of a Regiment being located in Fort Saint George; accommodation would

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in that case be required for 2 warrant Officers, viz: Sergeant Major and Band Master, and five Staff Sergeants, viz: Quarter Master Sergeant, Orderly Room Sergeant, Pay Master Sergeant, Armourer Sergeant, and Sergeant Drummer. There are 27 Quarters in the C. Block, and of these it is proposed to convert 12 into seven warrant Officer's and Staff Sergeants' quarters in the manner shown in plan No. II attached, this conversion will cost Rs. 165 as per letter above referred to enclosed, there will then remain 15 quarters for the other

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families of the Wing, of which there are 10 at present, but as there would undoubtedly be a larger number if the Head Quarters are located in the Fort, any extra accommodation required for them, or married details attached, could be found in B block family quarters. Plan No. III S which also contains 27 quarters and in which there are at present only the families of the Garrison Battery, 6 in number, not

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including the Master Gunner and the Battery Orderly Room and offices as a temporary arrangement, these it would be necessary and for many reasons it is now very desirable to remove, the committee recommend that No. 3 Captain's Quarters Plan No. III F (condemned as a quarter) should be handed over to the Battery as Orderly Room, Offices and Store rooms which were to have been located in the original scheme of conversion on the ground floor of the Old Adjutant General's Office.

The Committee consider that the rooms over the Main Guard are well adapted, both as regards accommodation afforded, and situation for the Adjutant's Office and Orderly Room, now located in the Staff Sergeants' quarters in the King's Barracks, also for Quarter Master Office; space is also here available for a Paymaster's Office in the event of one being required, no alterations are required and consequently no

no expenditure.

The conversion of the Staff Sergeants' Quarters into a dormitory and the provision of accommodation for that displaced thereby having been considered, the Committee would most strongly beg to recommend the demolition of at least the buildings on the North, South and West of the Refreshment room (old Canteen) marked A. B. C. on plan III attached and the substitution of an iron railing for the wall of the Infant School yard D. D. D. plan III, the demolition would cost nothing, and iron railing about Rs. 805/-. Vide estimate
5/a attached. These buildings, which contain no Quarter master and Paymaster Offices, Quarter Masters Stores and Non commissioned officers room are not required; the two first being provided for in Rooms over Main Guard as already shown and the others on the disused portion of the ground floor of the King's Barracks, or in some of the Pay Sergeants' Rooms there situated, and Regimental Institute

Institute respectively.

The demolition of these buildings would not only allow of a freer circulation of air, but would admit of a larger number of men being permanently located on the ground floor of the Kings Barracks. The Committee are aware His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief is not favorable to the re-occupation of this floor permanently to a greater extent than that already sanctioned, but the demolition recommended would so open out and improve the ventilation of a large portion of the ground floor on the East flank, that the committee after carefully considering the subject are of opinion that 34 men might well be permanently located here, in addition to the 24 already sanctioned, with all due regard to comfort, health and sanitation, and by this arrangement not only would the additional accommodation required be obtained, and the whole of the Infantry located in one building (undoubtedly a great advantage) but the conversion of the old Adjutant General's Office and Main Guard block and provision of a latrine in connection therewith rendered unnecessary, and two of the best quarters in the Fort retained, but the large saving of nearly Rs. 13,000 effected to the State or set free for some other urgently required work, such for instance as the construction of stables and Coach houses on the Site of the old Gas works, and a portion of this sum might, with great advantage be expended in improving the mis' latrine of the Kings Barracks, which is that for a full Regiment, and has many defects.

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Sd/ G. J. Smart, Br. Genl: Comdg: Madras District. — President

Sd/ H. Smalley, Col: District Staff Offr: Madras etc. — Members
Sd/ C. H. N. Le Quesne, Major, Comdg. 1st Bn Duke of C. L. I.
Sd/ E. Pollock, Captn: Comdg: No 1 Coy: Eastern Divn. Art.

Sd/ W. H. Burton, Col. R. E. Supdg: Engr: V Circle — In attendance
Sd/ S. B. Rae, M. B. Dy: Surgn. Genl: H. M's. Forces, Madras Dist.

(True extract)
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Colonel
Dy: Quarter Master General.

Superintending Engineer's Office
V. Circle, Madras
Chepauk 28th October 1859

No. 4905

5/11

From

Col. W. H. Burton, R.E.
Supdg: Engineer, V. Circle

To

The District Staff Officer
Madras District.

Enclosures
2 Plans.

Sir,

With reference to the proceedings of the Brigadier General's Committee which I attended in Fort Saint George on Thursday last the 24th Instant, I have the honor to state that providing quarters for Staff Sergeants in C. Block married soldiers' Quarters, as shown on enclosed plan, will cost about Rs. 165.

Also that throwing down such of the cross walls in upper storey as do not support the roof, and making 16 foot ½ circular arches in those walls which do support the roof in the King's barrack in the portion now occupied by 10 Staff Sergeants &c; in will cost about Rs. 2335-0-0

If these works are approved of by His Excellency the Comdr. in Chief as deviations from those sanctioned by Government, as alterations to main guard old Adjutant General's Office, and additional storey to No. 465 Field Officers' quarters, I would request to be so informed by telegraph.

I have &c:
(Sd) W. H. Burton, Col. R.E.
Supg: Engineer V. Circle

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(True copy)

A. J. Hutchins
Colonel
Dy: Quarter Master General

J.W.

M.D.Em 8899

Fort Saint George – Saint Mary's Charity School.

Dismantling compound wall and enclosing with iron rails.

1	148	1-3	6-6	1202-6	Dismantling compound wall.	1	9	"	% / 100	19	"	"
1	300		5		3/4" Sqr. iron barred rails 6" apart with flat iron (2½" x ½") top and bottom frames including fixing	2	8	"	Rft.	750	"	"
					Carting rubbish	"	"	"	"	10	"	"
					Contingencies	"	"	"	"	26	"	"
								Total	Rs.	805	"	"

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(Sd) R. W. Macalister
Sub. Col: Officer.

(True copy)

A. J. Hutchins
Colonel
Dy: Quarter Master General.

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Accommodation for Troops.
European.

No. 3825

Surgeon-General's Office, H. M's. Forces,
Mily: Deptt: Govt: of Madras,
Fort Saint George, 22d. November 1889.

From
5/13

Sir J. A. Hanbury, M. B., K. C. B.
Surgeon-General
H. M's. Forces.

To
The Quarter Master General,
Ootacamund.

No. 4123 A
Accommodation for Troops
European
dated 14th November
1889.

Sir,

With reference to the papers forwarded with your letter noted in the margin, the enclosures of which are herewith returned, I have the honor to state, for the information of His Excellency the Comdr. in Chief, that I quite concur in the opinions expressed in the Proceedings of the Committee assembled at Fort Saint George on the 21st October 1889 regarding the conversion of certain buildings and demolition of others, so as to afford the required extra accommodation for troops, and, in addition, I would strongly

recommend

recommend that the block of buildings containing urinals and some barrack stores, be removed, and urinals of corrugated iron be erected in their place, the outer walls of which should not reach lower than 2 feet from the ground. The removal of this block I regard as of great importance (from a sanitary point of view) to the neighbouring buildings, as the block in question and its surroundings appear to be saturated with foul matter.

I have &c:
Sd/ J. A. Hanbury, M.B.
Surgeon General
H. M. Forces.

(True copy)

R H Hutchinson
Colonel
Dy: Quarter Master General.

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Clerk

Please see page 3 of proof of G.O. No 5 W. of 6/1/90. I think the word "room" should be added after the word "refreshment".

A.P.
15/1/90

AC 6/14

Yes. it is evidently a clerical error, & the word "room" can be inserted as proposed.

15-1-90

No. 5 W

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

6th January 1890

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READ the following

From the Qr. Mr. Genl. No. 4496 A of 4-12-89
Endt. in the Mily. Dept. 8571 of 11-12-89.

16 P

Communicated to the Supdg. Engr. V Circle for early submission of estimates in accordance with H.E. the Commr. in Chief's proposals.

21.12.89

23.12.89

S.E. V Circle with 3 blanks.
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G.O. 6th Jany 1890 No. 5 W.

Accommodation for a wing of British Infantry in Fort St. George.

Letter from the Quarter Master Genl submitting revised proposals for providing ~~a~~ ~~———~~. Commd to the C E & S Civil for early subm of estimates

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