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28TH OCTOBER 1891, No. 2863 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Account.

READ—the following papers:—

Office-note from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 21st March 1891, No. 1733.

I beg to forward, herewith, for perusal and orders of Government, a letter, No. 5141, dated 26th February 1891, received from the Executive Engineer, Chingleput Division, in which he argues that, because under Public Works Department Code, appendix P, rule III, as modified by Standing Order No. 914 of 1889, the Executive Engineer, Presidency Division (now Consulting Architect), has to keep the register of estimates sanctioned against the grant for furniture for Government Houses and record all expenditure against the same in his accounts, it follows that he (the Consulting Architect) is the Executive Engineer concerned referred to in rule IV, as modified by Standing Order No. 915 of 1889, as he is the only officer competent to keep an account of receipts and issues of furniture.

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2. It seems to me, however, almost certain that the "Executive Engineer concerned" (referred to in rule IV of appendix P) is the Executive Engineer of the division in which the Government House is situated, because it would be extremely inconvenient for the Consulting Architect at Madras to have charge of furniture at Ootacamund and to have to verify it once a year, but there is this difficulty, which the Executive Engineer's letter brings to light, viz., that the rules do not specify how or when the Executive Engineer of the division concerned is to bring the articles on to his returns. It seems necessary, therefore, that an addition should be made to the rules laying down that the Consulting Architect should, in every case, give the Executive Engineer concerned intimation of the purchase of furniture for the Government House in his division.

3. As regards para. 2 of Executive Engineer's letter regarding the removal of furniture from one Government House to another, I would beg to point out that, under rule V of appendix P, the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Governor is required to report to the Executive Engineer concerned any damage to, or destruction of, furniture on the returns of the Public Works Department, and it seems necessary that he should be required to report, in detail, also cases of removal of furniture from one Government House to another so that the Executive Engineer may be able to maintain correct lists. An addition might be made to rule V to this effect.

Office-note from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 18th September 1891, No. 5663.

With reference to G.O., No. 2212 W. of 14th August 1891, herewith for approval of Government a draft standing order providing for the alteration of the rules in appendix P regarding the supply and repair, &c., of furniture for Government Houses.

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2. The file of papers received with your office-note No. 792-D., dated 1st September 1891, is returned herewith as requested.

Order—dated 28th October 1891, No. 2863 W., Public Works.

The draft of the rules submitted by the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, with the second of his notes recorded above has, in communication with the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor, been revised, and the revised draft thus prepared will be adopted for future guidance.

2. The procedure has been simplified. It will not in future be necessary to send to the Consulting Architect estimates for furniture for the Government Houses at Guindy and Ootacamund. These will be forwarded, as in the case of Government House, Madras, direct to the Private Secretary, with whom the sanctioning power rests. The funds will continue in the hands of the Consulting Architect, who will, on receiving from the Private Secretary intimation of sanction to an estimate, at once make the requisite allotment, and notify the balance available for expenditure. Beyond the allotment of funds for duly sanctioned estimates, the Consulting Architect has nothing to do with the furniture at Guindy and Ootacamund, the repair, when necessary, of which devolves on the Executive Engineer in charge of the division.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, with draft rules.
" Private Secretary to the Governor.
" Consulting Architect to Government.
" Superintending Engineer, V Circle.
" " " IV "

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ACCOUNT.

Govt. of {1891} Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated October, 28th.

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 28th Oct. 1891, No. 2863 W.

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Rules

The draft — regarding the supply and repair, &c., of furniture for Government Houses submitted by the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, and revised in communication with the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor, approved and adopted for future guidance.

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To be printed as annexure to G.O.

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Annexure to G.O., No. 2863 W., dated 28th October 1891.

[Rules for the Supply, Repair and Custody of Furniture for Government Houses.]

I. Whenever it is considered necessary to purchase new or repair existing furniture of the description mentioned in rule VIII, the ~~Private~~ Secretary to His Excellency the Governor will make the purchase or carry out the repairs himself or through the Executive Engineer in charge of the building as may be convenient. In the former case he will send the bill countersigned by himself to the Consulting Architect for allotment of funds, and, in the latter, he will call on the Executive Engineer concerned (viz., the Consulting Architect in the case of Government House, Madras; the Executive Engineer, Chingleput, for Guindy Government House; and the Executive Engineer, Coimbatore, for Ootacamund Government House) for a detailed estimate. This estimate will be sent direct to the ~~Private~~ Secretary who will decide, with reference to the other demands already made or likely to be made, whether the work can be carried out immediately, or must stand over either in whole or in part for execution in the following year. In such cases the sanction to the estimate will rest with the ~~Private~~ Secretary, the allotment of funds being in all cases made by the Consulting Architect, at whose disposal the grant for Government House furniture is placed. Each allotment will be intimated to the ~~Private~~ Secretary and to the Executive Engineer concerned when the agency of the Public Works Department is employed. The balance available after each allotment will simultaneously be communicated to the ~~Private~~ Secretary by the Consulting Architect.

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II. Except under the special order of the Government, the Consulting Architect should only allot funds for expenditure incurred by the ~~Private~~ Secretary so far as it can be done without exceeding the available grant after allowing for contemplated expenditure by Executive Engineers of the Public Works Department.

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III. When from the rate at which expenditure is progressing it appears that the grant for the year is likely to be exceeded, it will be the duty of the Consulting Architect to draw the special attention of the ~~Private~~ Secretary to the fact and to make a similar report to the Government.

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IV. The Consulting Architect will keep a register of allotments sanctioned against the annual grant for furniture which should show the balance available after each authorisation.

V. All furniture belonging to the State that is to be maintained by the department will be brought on to the register of tools and plant of the Executive Engineer concerned, viz., the Consulting Architect in the case of Government House, Madras, and the Executive Engineers, Coimbatore and Chingleput divisions, in the case of Government Houses at Ootacamund and Guindy, respectively, and treated accordingly; the actual count required by paras. 1713 *et seq.* of the Public Works Code may conveniently be made as nearly as possible simultaneously with the arrival and departure of His Excellency the Governor.

VI. The actual care and custody of the furniture will be in the hands of the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Governor; this officer should at once report to the Executive Engineer concerned any instances of damage or destruction of furniture of the descriptions mentioned in rule VIII, and he will also report in detail to the Executive Engineers concerned all cases of removal of furniture from one Government House to another.

VII. The sale of unserviceable furniture will be effected by the Executive Engineer in charge in communication with the ~~Private~~ Secretary, and the realisations brought to credit as Provincial revenue under the head "Sales of tools and plant."

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VIII. The articles to be supplied and repaired by, and to be in charge of, the department are stated below :—

- Baths.
- Bedsteads.
- Blinds.
- Bolsters.
- Book cases.
- Brackets.
- Brackets (lamp, candle or gas).
- Busts and pedestals.
- Cabinets.
- Carpets.
- Chandeliers (candle or gas).
- Chairs.
- Chiffoniers.
- Clothes baskets.
- Commodes, &c.
- Curtains.
- Curtain rods and poles.
- Couches.
- Dressing tables.
- Durbar brass stands and ropes.
- Durries.
- Fenders.
- Filth receptacles.
- Fire irons.
- Fire guards.
- Grates.
- Iron chests.
- Kitchen ranges.
- Looking glasses.
- Maps and map stands.
- Mats (door).
- Mattresses.
- Mirrors.
- Pianos (when Government property).
- Pictures, historical and presentation.
- Portieres.
- Rugs (hearth).
- Screens.
- Side boards.
- Stoves.
- Tables.
- Towel (horses).
- Valances.
- Wardrobes and presses.
- Wash-hand-stands with crockery and glass complete.
- Weighing machines.
- Wheel barrows.

IX. The cost of supply and repair of articles of any description other than those mentioned in rule VIII will not be charged to any Public Works grant.

X. Articles of furniture of European manufacture may be purchased in India, but furniture required from England may be obtained only by indent on the Secretary of State. See also Code para. 1647 and appendix G, rule 2, and note 1.

(Signed) J. PENNYCUICK, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

Exd. A. D. Xavier.

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Carpets
Chandeliers (candle or gas)
Chairs
Chiffoniers
Clothes baskets
Commodes, &c
Curtains
Curtain rods and poles
Couches
Dressing tables
Durbar brass stands and ropes
Durries
Fenders
Filth receptacles
Fire irons
Fire guards.
Grates
Iron chests
Kitchen ranges
Looking glasses
Maps and map stands
Mats (door)
Mattresses
Mirrors
Pianos (when Government property)
Pictures, historical and presentation
Portieres
Rugs (hearth)
Screens
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From

The Military Secretary to
His Excellency The Governor

To

The Chief Engineer
D. P. W.

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Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency The Governor to request you will inform me who is responsible for the repairs of Government House, Guindy. His Excellency spoke to Mr Burlton on the subject yesterday; and that officer while expressing his readiness to do all in his power to get repairs done, said that he did not know whether the chicks and punkahs were under his care or not, and added that he thought they were under the charge of the Consulting Architect. On reference to the latter officer, he replied that he had nothing whatever to do with Guindy, – an arrangement that seems to His Excellency to be exceedingly natural and appropriate. But it appears strange to His Excellency that the Executive Engineer of the Mount Division should be ignorant of what his duties in the matter really are, and I am to request that clear and precise orders may be issued to that officer (and also to the Consulting Architect in respect of Government House, Madras which is in his charge) laying down what details are

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It appears to His Excellency that all fixings of the two houses are clearly matters that should be dealt with by the D.P.W., and the only question is whether punkahs with their fringes, ropes and wheels are to be so treated. In His Excellency's opinion they should be treated as fixtures as also should all chicks with their linings, ropes, pulleys and all that appertains to them. The present condition of some of the chicks at Guindy is anything but good, while some of the punkahs are in a condition that can only be described as filthy.

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I am therefore, desired by His Excellency to request that immediate orders may issue to Mr. Burlton to come to Guindy, and personally superintend the taking of ~~the~~ steps necessary to have the house fixings put in thorough order. His Excellency is expecting a large party of friends during Christmas week, and is much ~~[illegible]~~ annoyed at the state of portions of the house fixings at Guindy; and he is most anxious that Lord Wenlock on his arrival shall find everything at least clean and comfortable. The manner in which the whitewashing of the buildings is being carried out at the present moment is anything but satisfactory in His Excellency's opinion.

In conclusion I am directed to request that the work may be treated as very emergent.

I have the honour to be,
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
J. Fowle Capt
Military Secretary.

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No. 1071 2863/9

Government House
Guindy Park, 22nd Dec.

From

The Military Secretary
to H.E. the Governor

To
The Chief Engineer
Chepauk

Sir,

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(Sd) J. Fowle. Capt
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Public Works Department

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To
The Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Governor

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 1071 dated 22nd. December 1890, I have the honour to inform you that the Executive Engineer Chingleput Division is responsible for the repairs of Government House Guindy and that an order is now going to Mr Burlton to call at Guindy at once to take the necessary steps to have the house fittings put in thorough order.

2. Appendix P, Public Works Code (Standing Order No 604 of 1889) describes the Executive Engineer's duties with respect to Government House furniture, and para 973 of the Code clearly provides for the execution by the P.W. Department of repairs to mats, tatties &c in Government Houses. Punkahs & their accessories are not specifically mentioned in this paragraph, but reading it with para 971 it is clear that they should

be included.

3. The attention of the Executive Engineer Chingleput will be drawn to these rules and the Consulting Architect also will be asked to see that they are carried out with respect to Govt House Madras.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your most obed^t servant
(sd) Wh. C. Baddeley
Major R.E.
Deputy Chief Eng^r P.W.D.

Chepauk
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(True Copy) J. Towle. Capt.
Mil^y Secty to Governor

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P. W. Dept.

No 5740 C

Memorandum

P.W. Genl 12381/90

The enclosed letter from the Military Secy to H.E. the Governor No 1071 d/22 Decr 1890 is forwarded to Mr Boulton with request that he will at once call at Govt House Guindy, and personally superintend the taking of the necessary steps to have the house fittings put in thorough order, and to attend to His Excy's wishes with respect to the repairs of the house.

2. Mr Boulton will understand that repairs to Govt. House Guindy, & the duties with respect to furniture described in Appendix P, P.W. Code devolve entirely on the Ex. Engr Chingleput

and that the Consulting Architect has written to the Executive [illegible] under para 973 P.W. Code, the Ex. Engr. should undertake the repairs of mats, tatties &c in the case of Govt. Houses, & it should be understood that ~~the~~ punkahs & their accessories come in this category.

3. It is requested that the enclosed letter may be copied in the Ex. Engr's office, and the original returned with the least possible delay, in view to further orders being issued with respect to Govt. Houses.

(By order)

[illegible] Lt. R.E.
Under Secy P.W.D.
for Ch. Engr.

To The Executive Engr. Chingleput Dn.

Chepauk
22nd Decr 1890

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St. Thomas Mount
December 24th 1890

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From
The Executive Engineer
Chingleput Division

To
The Chief Engineer P.W.D.
Madras

Sir,

With reference to your memorandum No. 5202 C dated 22nd December 1890 and herewith returned with the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Governor's letter No. 1071 dated 22nd idem I have the honour to state that I will reply in detail after my Office, which is now closed for the Christmas holidays

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is reopened for I shall then have access to documents necessary to shew, with reference to P.W. Code rules and Appendix P in particular, that I had, what will I trust be considered, satisfactory reason for supposing that furniture as described in rule VII would usually be repaired by the Government Architect. And I may mention that I shewed these rules to His Excellency on Monday when he expressed an opinion to the effect that they were unsatisfactorily worded and that he would take steps to get them altered.

2. Last year the repairs and renewal of furniture and mats and the repairs to the punkahs were undertaken by the Military Secretary; and I have never

before been asked to attend to fixtures, a work however which I would gladly have undertaken if I had been aware that it was my duty to do so.

3. In regard to the state of repairs to the main building I beg to point out that I was led to infer that His Excellency would not take up his residence at Guindy till the 5th January. His early arrival has thus taken us by surprise, for we are in the middle of our work, and I hope that judgment will not be passed on it till it is finished. There have never been any complaints, during my time, of the style in which the annual repairs are usually carried out - that is to say after they are finished; and last year Lord Connemara

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personally thanked me for the work done by our department at Guindy.

4. I beg to state in conclusion that everything is now going on as well as possible. Enc: 2

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

C W R Burton

Executive Engineer

Chingleput Divn

Recd. 26.12.90

No 4271

St. Thomas Mount

Madras

The 27th December 1890

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From The Executive Engineer,

Chingleput Division

To The Chief Engineer P.W.D.

Buildings and Roads Branch

Sir

In continuation of my letter No 4257 dated 24th inst. and with reference to your Memorandum No 5202 C dated 22nd Decr 1890 I have the honour to invite your attention to para 943 A (introduced by S.O. No 602) which says the plants will be placed at the disposal of the Executive

The accounts of ~~the~~ the expenditure are finally recorded in the C.E.'s division, but the actual supply, & renewals, are carried out by the Ex. Engr. in charge of each building —

Mr. Brooks has not seen revised S.O. No. 913 of S.O. Code from which it will be seen that the Ex. Engr. concerned prepares the estimates & sends them through the C.A. only with respect to funds.
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Engineer Presidency Division, and also please see appendix P (Standing order 913) which, referring to the fourth line of appendix P para 1, says "for the word 'concerned' substitute Presidency Division" and which also specifies the Executive Engineer Presidency Division as being concerned with all questions of expenditure.

2. As the Consulting Architect has now charge of Civil works that were, when the above orders were issued, in charge of the Executive Engineer Presidency Division I was led to infer that the former would take the latter's place. But in para 2 of your memorandum you say the "Consulting Architect has nothing to do therewith".

3. As these orders appear to me to be somewhat conflicting I should be glad to be favoured with further orders for future guidance. At present I am doing all work that I have been asked to do so as to save delay.

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I would respectfully suggest some modification in the code.

As your memorandum under reference was sent to me direct I trust that I am in order in addressing you direct.

I am sending a copy of the correspondence to the Superintending Engineer I circle.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant
C H P Brooks
Executive Engineer
Chingleput Divn.

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to the Examiner ... Report Dr

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

No. 1072 29/ Guindy Park, 1st Jany. 1891.

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From

THE MILITARY SECRETARY TO THE
RIGHT HONORABLE THE GOVERNOR,

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To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department.

SIR,

Referring to the enclosed copies of my letter to you of the 22nd Decr. 1890 No. 1071 & of your reply thereto, I am desired by His Excellency the Governor to request that the papers may be circulated to the Members of Government in view to the Madras D.P.W. Code being modified, in so far as it relates to the custody of the Government Houses at Madras and Guindy, so as to make it quite clear what Officers are responsible for the upkeep and repair of the houses, their fixtures and furniture respectively the present rules not being quite clear in His Excellency's opinion.

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

J. Fowle Captain
~~Major~~,
Military Secretary.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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From the Mily. Secy. to H.E. the Governor H.E.	No. 1071 d/ 22 Decr. 1890.
From the Ex. Engr. Chingleput Dt.	" No. 4257 d/ 24 Decr. 1890
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From the Mily. Secy. to H.E. the Governor	" No. 1072 d/ 1 Jany. 1891

I consider that Appendix P. of the P.W. Code shd. be altered ~~or simplified~~ the rule in it simplified by laying down that-
1. The Govt. Houses at Madras with all their fittings, are in the charge of the Exec. Engr. of the Madras & ~~Chingleput~~ Chingleput Dn. respectively - as [illegible] the [illegible] of the former building of the Consulting ~~Architect~~.
2. The term 'fixtures' includes [illegible] of [illegible], chicks or blinds & punkahs with all their fittings.
3. The purchase & repair of their furniture & [illegible] with the Private Secy. to H.E. the Govr. [illegible] its custody & ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] with the Mil. Secy. to H.E.

His Excellency the Governor informs he is of opinion that the rules in paras 973, 973 A and Appendix P, P.W. Code do not clearly define the duties of the Ex. Engineers concerned with respect to the repairs and renewals of fixtures and furniture in Govt. Houses.

The duties with respect to the repairs and renewals of fixtures described in para 973 P.W. Code devolve on the Ex: Engineer of the Divn in which each building is situated, and it should be clearly understood that chicks and punkahs with their accessories, are included in such fixtures.

2. The annual grant for the repair and renewal of Govt: House furniture will be placed at the disposal of the Consulting Architect, in whose accounts all outlay against ~~these~~ those grants will be finally recorded, but the executive duties connected with such repairs and renewals will devolve on the Ex: Engineer concerned. This has already been explained by S.O. No. 913 modifying rule I Appendix P, but the words "Consulting Architect" will be substituted for "Ex: Engineer Presidency Division" or "Superintending Engineer V Circle" whenever they occur in Appendix P or para 973 A, and S.O. No. 913 should be amplified to show that the actual supply will be made by the divisional Ex: Engineer when the Private Secretary requires the work to be carried out by the P.W. Department. In accordance with Rule IV Appendix P, as modified by S.O. No. 915 of 1889, the furniture of each Government House should be brought on the register of tools and plant of the Ex: Engineer concerned.

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the [illegible] annual [illegible]
Exec: Engr. [illegible]
repairs or renewals of any of the fixtures in Rule 2 are recurring

4. The annual grant for the repairs of No 5000 and renewal of furniture at the Govt. House, [illegible] annually in future, will be placed [illegible] of the Exec. Engr. Presidency Divn. at the disposal of the Pvt. Secy. to H.E. the Govr. along with any unexpended balance of the former year's grant, for [illegible] re-allotted for the purpose. The expenditure will be vouched for by the Pvt. Secy. [illegible] will be adjusted by the [illegible] Exec. Engr. in the books of the Pres. Divn. –

5. Provision for the repair of the house and fixtures [illegible] Rule 2 should be made [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] in the meaning [illegible]

Rule 973 A ~~[illegible]~~ (with its S.O. No 904, 602)
Para 2 as altered by S.O. [illegible] amended [illegible]
Also Para IV of the rule by S.O. No 915 (as amended [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~), shd be altered, [illegible] the furniture of the Govt. House being brought on the register of tools & plant of the Ex: Engr. concerned, or the fixtures in Rule 2 above [illegible] proposed to be substituted, & there shd be a furniture register in the Pvt. Secy's office [illegible] showing all the furniture [illegible]

Govt. House. The articles being all numbered & lettered thus $\left(\frac{G.H.K.}{17}\right)\left(\frac{G.H.G.}{18}\right)$ according as the articles belong to the Kirkee or Ganeshkhind Govt. House. When any article is sold ~~[illegible]~~ its value shd be credited ~~to the~~ annual grant of the Pvt. Secy. & it shd be written off the register.

I understand that there is no separate allotment for the repair of the Ooty Govt. House furniture. In that case [illegible] the 3 Houses. [illegible] Exec: Engr. Ganeshkhind Divn. ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] already mentioned –

I do not approve the present draft –

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My hon. colleague doubtless knows what arrangements will work best. I concur with him. The papers should go to H.E. the Govr.

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3. The Secretary Code Committee will submit the requisite draft Standing orders.

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(4) The Hon'ble [illegible]

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To

- The Consg. Architect to Govt
- " Supdg Engr I Circle
- with copies of corres with the C.E. " Supdg Engr IV Circle
- " Private Secy to H.E. the Govr
- " Exr PW accts

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Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Madras, 27th January 1890.

OFFICE NOTE.

From
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Please note on the rules proposed by the Hon'ble Mr Garstin in the enclosed paper, both as regards their agreement or otherwise with the orders of the Govt. of India, & as to their admissibility from the point of view of the audit dept.

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No. 825 d/ 9-2-91.

To W.

The effect of the Honorable Mr. Garstin's proposals would virtually be to revert to the practice which existed before the introduction of the Government of India rules embodied in Appendix P, with the further minor alteration of treating chicks, mats, etc, as fixtures; and any such change will, I think, require the sanction of the Government of India.

2. As regards audit, supposing audit by Examiner is insisted on by the Government of India, if the change is made it would in my opinion be desirable that the Private Secretary should account directly and send in Furniture Returns (corresponding to Tools and Plant Returns) to me; the Executive Engineers having no concern whatever except with the blocks and usual fixtures, and such additional articles as might, by agreement, be treated as fixtures; but if audit by Examiner is not considered absolutely necessary — and I can see no imperative reason why the P.W.D. in any branch should have anything to do with the furniture grants — it would perhaps be preferable to transfer the audit to the Accountant General Madras along with the audit of the expenditure of the household allowance of His Excellency the Governor.

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This is only a fair copy of the note at pp. 30-32 supra

Copy of Note by the Hon'ble Mr. J. H. Garstin C.S.I. H.E. dated 20th January 1891.

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I consider that appendix P. of the P. W. Code should be altered and the rules in it simplified by laying down that:-

1. The Government Houses at Madras and Guindy with all their fixtures, are in the charge of the Executive Engineer of the Madras and Chingleput divisions respectively — or, in the case of the former building, of the Consulting Architect.

2. The term fixture includes mats and matting of all kind, chicks or blinds and punkahs with all their fittings.

3. The purchase and repair of all other furniture rests with the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor; its actual custody and care resting with the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Governor, who should communicate with the Executive

Engineer concerned when any repairs or renewals of any of the fixtures in Rule 2 are required.

4. The annual grant of Rs 5000 for the repair and renewal of furniture at the Government Houses, provided annually in the D. P. W. Budget, will be placed by the Executive Engineer Presidency Dn. at the disposal of the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor along with any unexpended balance of the former year's grant, which should be re-allotted for the purpose. The expenditure will be vouched for by the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor and will be adjusted in the books of the Executive Engineer Presidency Division.

5. Provision for the repair of the houses and their fixtures as set out in Rule 2 should be made separately in the D.P.W. Budget and the expenditure should be adjusted in the accounts of the Executive Engineer incurring it.

Rule 973 A (with its para 2 as altered by S. O. No: 904) should be amended accordingly. also para IV of that rule (as amended by S. O. No 915) ld be altered, and

/ instead of the furniture &c. of the Government Houses being brought on the registers of tools and plant of the Executive Engineer concerned, only the fixtures in my proposed Rule 2 above should be so treated, and there should be a furniture register kept in the Private Secretary's office showing all the furniture at each Government House - the articles being all numbered and lettered thus: —
$(G.\frac{H.M}{17})\ (G.\frac{H.G}{18})$ according as the articles belong to the Madras or Guindy Government House. When any article is sold its value should be credited to the annual grant by the Private Secretary and it should be written off the register.

I understand that there is no separate allotment for the repair of the Ooty Government House furniture - In that case these rules should apply to all 3 houses, the Executive Engineer, Coimbatore Division being added in Rule 1 supra after the other two officers already mentioned.

I do not approve the present draft.

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Appendix P.

Madras Public Works Code

× Vide G.O. No: 602 of 1889

×× Vide G.O. No: 904 of 1889

×973 A. The rules for the supply, repair and custody of furniture for Government houses in the Presidency are given in Appendix S. ×A fixed allowance of Rs 5,000 will be granted annually for the repairs and renewal of such furniture, and any unspent portion of this allowance at the end of a year, will be formally re-granted by the Government for expenditure during the ensuing year as an addition to the fixed allowance for that year. The grants will be placed at the disposal of the Executive Engineer, Presidency division, in the accoun of which division all out on account of the repairs an renewal of furniture for al Government houses in the Presidency will appear.

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Madras Public Works Code.

Appendix S.—Government House furniture

Rules regarding the supply, repair and custody of furniture for Government Houses.

I. Whenever it is considered necessary to purchase new or repair existing furniture, of the description mentioned in rule VII, the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor will make the purchase or carry out the repairs himself or through the Executive Engineer Presidency[1] division as may be convenient. In the former case he will send the bill counter-signed by himself to the Executive Engineer, and in the latter he will communicate orders to the Superintending Engineer V[2] Circle, under whose instructions a detailed estimate will be prepared by the Executive Engineer in charge of the building. This estimate, with a statement of the balance available for expenditure, will then be forwarded to the Private Secretary, who will decide, with reference to the ~~order~~ other demands already made, or likely to be made, whether the work can be

[1] Vide G.O. No: 913 of 1889.

[2] Vide G.O. No. 913 of 1889.

be carried out immediately, or must stand over either in whole or in part for execution in the following year. In such cases the sanction to the estimate will rest with the Private Secretary. In(12a) the case of the Nilgiri and Chingleput divisions, estimates for the supply and repair of furniture will be forwarded by the Executive Engineers of those divisions to the Executive Engineer, Presidency division who will forward them to the Private Secretary, through the Superintending Engineer, I Circle, with the statement of balance available for expenditure. No payments on account of Government-house furniture will be made by the Executive Engineer of the Nilgiri or Chingleput division except on the requisition of the Executive Engineer, Presidency division. Except under the special order of the Government, the Executive Engineer, Presidency(13) division, should only pay or authorise payment of bills for expenditure incurred by the Private Secretary so far as it can be done without

(12a) Vide G.O. No. 913 of 1889

(13) Vide G.O. No. 913 of 1889

exceeding the available grant after allowing for contemplated expenditure by the Executive Engineer himself.

II. When from the rate at which expenditure is progressing it appears that the grant for the year is likely to be exceeded it will be the duty of the Executive Engineer to draw the special attention of the Private Secretary, to the fact, and to make a similar report to the Government through the Superintending Engineer.

III. The Executive Engineer, Presidency(14) division, will keep a register of estimates sanctioned against the annual grant for furniture, which should show the balance available after each authorisation.

(14) Vide G.O. No. 914 of 1889

IV. All furniture belonging to the State that is to be maintained by the department will be brought on to the register of tools and plant(15) of the Executive Engineer concerned and treated accordingly, the actual count required by paras 1713 et seq. of this Code may conveniently be

(15) Vide G.O. No. 915 of 1889

be made as nearly as possible simultaneously with the arrival and departure of His Excellency the Governor.

V. The actual care and custody of the furniture will be in the hands of the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Governor; this officer should at once report to the Executive Engineer concerned any instances of damage or destruction of furniture of the descriptions mentioned in rule VII.

VI. The sale of unserviceable furniture will be effected by the Executive Engineer in charge, in communication with the Private Secretary, and the realisations brought to credit as provincial revenue under the head, "sales of tools and plant."

VII. The articles to be supplied and repaired by, and to be in charge of, the department are

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are stated below:

Baths.
Bedsteads
Blinds
Bolsters
Book Cases
Brackets
Brackets (lamp, candle or gas)
Busts and pedestals
Cabinets
Carpets
Chandeliers (candle or gas)
Chairs
Chiffoniers
clothes baskets
Commodes etc
Curtains
Curtain rods and poles
Couches
Dressing tables
Durbar brass stands and ropes
Durries
Fenders
Filth receptacles
Fire irons
Fire guards.

Grates
Iron chests
Kitchen ranges
Looking glasses
Maps and map stands
Matting
Mats (door)
Mattresses
Mirrors
Pianos (when Govt: property)
Pictures, historical and presentation
Portières
Rugs (hearth)
Screens
Side boards
Stoves
Tables
Towel (horses)
Valances
Wardrobes and presses
Wash-hand-stands with crockery and glass complete
Weighing machines
wheel barrows.

VIII. The cost of supply and repair of articles of any description other than those mentioned in rule VII will not be charged to any public works grant.

(6) IX. Articles of furniture of European manufacture may be

(6) Vide S.O. No. 781 of 1889.

be purchased in India, but furniture required from England may be obtained only by indent on the Secretary of State. See also Code para 1647 and Appendix G, rule 2 and note.

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PRIVATE SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Guindy. 9th Feby 1891.

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From

THE PRIVATE SECRETARY TO THE
RIGHT HONORABLE THE GOVERNOR,

To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

SIR,

I have the honor to point out that as it is believed that there are one or more pianos at Ootacamund which are useless, it may be necessary to sell one or more of them, and beg you will be so good as to inform me whether this can be arranged, whether in that case you would sell, and what would become of the amount realized.

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

Private Secretary.

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P. W. Department
Ootacamund 23rd April 1891

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Memorandum

Draft order dated 5th Jany. 1891 and the papers recorded therewith.

Note thereon by H. E. the Hon'ble Mr. Garstin C.S.I. dated 20th Jany. 1891.

Note by the Hon'ble Mr. Stokes C.S.I. dated 25 Jany. 1891.

Office note by the Examiner P. W. Accounts No. 825 dated 9th February 1891.

Letter from the Private Secretary to H. E. the Governor No. 954 dated 9th Febry 1891.

Referred to the Private Secretary to H. E. the Governor with a view to His Excellency's wishes being ascertained.

2. It will be seen that in the opinion of the Examiner P. W. Accounts the adoption of the rules proposed by the Hon'ble Mr. Garstin will

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Government House,
Ootacamund, 19th June 1891

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From

The Private Secretary
to His Excellency The Governor

To

The Joint Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Stonehouse Hill

Sir,

With reference to Memorandum No. 84 D dated 23rd April 1891, I have the honour to ask that a reference be made to the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, as to whether chicks are not fixtures, and that he may be asked to kindly state what is his authority for holding the contrary view.

It is observed that, in Article 973 of the Public Works Code, which has not been altered in any respect, "mat-screens, purdahs and tatties" are in the case of the Governor's residences included amongst the articles which the Executive Engineer should supply; and, in point of fact, they have hitherto always been provided by the Department.

I am aware that in Rule VII, Appendix P, of the Code, blinds and matting are included, but, in my opinion, blinds in this case must be construed to mean ordinary window blinds in the English sense of the word. The furniture allotment of Rs 5000/- might in any one year be required for the tatties of Government Houses of Madras and Guindy, and would be wholly inadequate in supplying chicks in addition to the purchase and repair of furniture during the

year, nor do I think it was so intended.

His Excellency would like this point cleared up before he expresses any opinion as to the desirability of altering the existing furniture rules.

I return the file of papers on the subject for reference.

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

Private Secretary

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No. 487 D d/3rd July 1891.

The Examiner's opinion as given in his Office note No 3580 dated 29th June 1891 is forwarded in original to the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor.

A.L. Smith Lt Col. R.E.
Ag. Jt. Secty P.W.D.

To
The Private Secretary with papers returned

R.S.

No. 430 D d/ 23rd June 1891

To E/

For remarks.

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With file of papers to be returned.

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No. 3580 d/ 29.6.91

To
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From Code para 973 and more particularly Code 974, I take it as clear that "chick" come under the category of articles to be supplied and kept in repair by the P. W. Department, and I would therefore admit the charge against the ordinary P. W. Provincial Grant.

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With endorsement

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PRIVATE SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Ootacamund, 10th. July 1891

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From
THE PRIVATE SECRETARY TO THE
RIGHT HONORABLE THE GOVERNOR,

To
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

SIR,

With reference to the opinion of the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, given in his Office note No. 3580 dated 29th June 1891, I have the honour to ask whether mats also do not clearly come under the category of articles to be supplied and kept in repair by the Public Works Department.

From paras 973 and more particularly 974 of the Public Works Code, it would appear to be an admissible charge against the ordinary Public Works provincial grant.

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

Private Secretary.

P. W. CURRENT No.

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No. 4281 d/ 30-7-91

TO W.

Under Code paras 973 and 974 the cost of mats will be admitted as a charge against the ordinary P. W. Provincial Grant.

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No. 556 D d/ 21st July 1891.

To
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For opinion.

It is understood from your office note No. 3580 dated 29th June 1891 that charges for "chicks" for Govt. Houses need not be brought against the special furniture grant for these residences, but would be admitted by you against a separate grant.

2. The present reference from the Private Secy. is intended, it is understood, to elicit from you whether "mats" cannot also be placed on this footing.

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Public Works Department

No. 633 D d/ 5th August 1891.

Office note to the Examiner P. W. accounts No: 556 D d/ 21. VII. 91

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Copies of the above forwarded to the Private Secretary for information with reference to his letter No: 34 dated 10th July 1891.

To
The Private Secretary to
His Excellency the Governor.

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with the file of No. 4870 d/ 3d July-91 forwarded on the 8-VIII-91.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Ootacamund, 7th Aug 91

My dear Pennycuick

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Will you kindly return the file of papers concerning the alteration of furniture rules proposed by Mr. Garstin. I wish to take His Excellency's orders upon the matter.

Yours sincerely
J. Rees.

Colonel J. Pennycuick R.E.

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Private Secretary's Office,
Ootacamund, 8th Augt. 91

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From

The Private Secretary to
His Excellency the Governor

To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Stonehouse Hill

Sir,

With reference to your Memorandum 84D dated 23rd April 1891, and to your 633D dated 5th August 1891, I have the honour to state that as the Examiner of Public Works Accounts allows that charges for checks need not be brought against the Special Furniture Grant but will be admitted against a Special Grant, and that the cost of mats will be admitted as a charge against the ordinary Public Works provincial Grant, His Excellency the Governor is of opinion that no change is required in the existing rules.

I have the honour to be
Sir, your obedient Servant
J. W. Rees.
Private Secretary

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Madras, 24 August 189/.

OFFICE NOTE No. 4975.

To W.

G.O.No.2212 W.of 14thAugust 1891.

To enable me to draft the requisite alterations to rules in Appendix P will you please send me the file of papers on this subject received with your office note No.430 D. dated 23rd. June 1891 and returned to you with my office note No.3580 dated 29th.June 1891.

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No. 792 D dated 1st Septr. 1891 24/8

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Herewith the complete file of No. 676 D dated 11th August 1891. Please return the papers when done with

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Chingleput Division Office,

ST. THOMAS' MOUNT,

No. 5141

26th February 1891.

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FROM C. H. B. Burlton Esqr.
~~THE~~ EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
CHINGLEPUT DIVISION,

TO
THE Examiner of P. W. Accounts
Madras

SIR,

Enclosures

With reference to your letter No. 902 dated 12th February 1891, I have the honor to refer you P. W. D. Code Appendix P. Section III as revised by Standing Order No. 914 from which it will be seen that the Presidency Dn. (now Architect) and not the Executive Engineer in charge of the building, has been authorized to keep a register of estimates sanctioned against the grant for furniture. It necessarily follows therefore under Section IV as revised by Standing Order No. 915 that the Executive Engineer Presidency Dn. and he alone, is the only competent officer to keep an accurate account of the receipts and issues of the articles of furniture as per his grant and expenditure under that head. ~~and not the Executive Engineer in charge of the Building~~

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2 I take this opportunity of bringing to your notice that any return from my office will be quite incomplete as ~~the~~ various articles of furniture are always being shifted from the Government House at Madras to that at ~~of~~ Guindy and Vice Versa, and Should you still think that I Should have charge of the furniture &c I Should be glad if you would address the Government on the Subject.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedt. Servant
Executive Engineer
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Madras, 21 March 1891.

OFFICE NOTE No. 1733.

To

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This portion of the letter is already in type so it may be utilized.

I beg to forward herewith for perusal and orders of Government a letter No.5141 dated 28th.February 1891 received from the Executive Engineer Chingleput Division in which he argues that because under P.W.D.Code Appendix P. Rule III as modified by standing order No.914 of 1889, the Executive Engineer Presidency Division(now Consulting Architect) has to keep the register of estimates sanctioned against the grant for furniture for Government Houses and record all expenditure against the same in his accounts, it follows that he (the Consulting Architect) is the Executive Engineer concerned referred to in Rule IV as modified by standing order No. 915 of 1889, as he is the only officer competent to keep an account of receipts and issues of furniture.

2. It seems to me however almost certain that the " Executive Engineer concerned"(referred to in Rule IV of Appendix P) is the Executive Engineer of

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the division in which the Government' House is situated, because it would be extremely inconvenient for the Consulting Architect at Madras, to have charge of furniture at Ootacamund and to have to verify it once a year, but there is this difficulty, which the Executive Engineer's letter brings to light, namely that the rules do not specify how or when the Executive Engineer of the division concerned is to bring the articles on to his returns. It seems necessary therefore that an addition should be made to the rules laying down that the Consulting Architect should in every case give the Executive Engineer concerned intimation of the purchase of furniture for the Government House in his division.

3. As regards para 2 of Executive Engineer's letter, regarding the removal of furniture from one Government House to another, I would beg to point out that under Rule V of Appendix P, the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Governor is required to report to the Executive Engineer concerned any damage to or destruction of furniture on the returns of the P.W.D. and it seems necessary that he should be required to report in detail also cases of removal of furniture from one Government House to another, so that the Executive Engineer may be able to maintain correct lists. An addition might

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be made to Rule V. to this effect.

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Madras, 18 September 1891.

OFFICE NOTE No. 5663.

To XVIII

W.

Press
This letter is already in type. It may be utilized.

With reference to G.O.No.2212 W.of 14th.August 1891, herewith for approval of Government a draft standing order providing for the alteration of the rules in Appendix P regarding the supply and repair etc. of furniture for Government Houses.

2. The file of papers received with your office note No.792 D.dated 1st. September 1891 is returned herewith as requested.

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" " - 633 D/ 5. 8. 91
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No. 923 D d/22d September 1891

Forwarded to the Private Secretary for approval of the draft before it is finally sanctioned by Govt: It seems to be in order

Col. R.E.
Secty to Govt.
P.W.D.

With papers* to be kindly returned.

* 20 enclosures.

R 20-10-91

R PRIVATE SECRETARY.

I agree with you that there is no necessity to alter the existing arrangements: but it appears to me that the P.W.D. system is somewhat complicated. I refer to the case of Coimbatore & Chingleput divisions. 2863/44 e.g. you want some furniture for Guindy repaired. The Estimate is drawn out by Ex. Eng. Chingleput presumably on instructions sent by you - & then sent to ~~you~~ the Cons. Architect, who sends it on to you.

This is exactly what has taken place.

In your absence I wrote to

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FOR PRIVATE SECRETARY.

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Burlton requesting him to repair some furniture at Simla; to this he answers that it does not come within his province, but that some of it being emergent he has sanctioned an estimate of Rs 62 for painting tubs. He adds that it is his duty to prepare estimates for such repairs as the P.S. may consider necessary but that the work should be done by the Cons. Architect. Roundabout it appears to me, but I suppose unavoidable the Cons. Architect having the custody of the Furniture Grant.

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My dear Pennycuick,

Would you very kindly look at note pinned herewith & see what you think of it. Should anything be done? The file might be returned at Madras to save trouble.

Yours sincerely

Colonel Pennycuick R.E.

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Rules regarding the supply & repair of furniture for Government Houses

~~second~~ The draft — submitted by the Ex. Eng. 2nd in commn. with the Private Secy. to H. E. the Governor approved & adopted for future guidance.

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to the Consulting Architect estimates for furniture for the Govt. Houses at Guindy and Ootacamund. These will be forwarded, as in the case of Govt. House, Madras, direct to the Private Secretary with whom the sanctioning power rests. The funds will continue in the hands of the Consg. Architect who will, on receiving from the Private Secretary intimation of sanction to an estimate, at once make the requisite allotment, and notify the balance available for expenditure.

Beyond the allotment of funds for duly sanctioned estimates, the Consg. Architect has nothing to do with the furniture at Guindy and Ootacamund; the

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the repair, when necessary, of which devolves on the Executive Engineer in charge of the division.

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To

7/11/91

The Exr. P. W. Accts

with draft rules

Private Secty. ~~to the~~ Govr.

C. A. to Govt.

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Rules issued
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No. 2863 W dt. 28th Oct/91 [illegible]

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Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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again
Read the following

Office note from the Exr. P. W. Accts. N. E. No. 1733 d/ 21 March 1891

Read also—

Office note from — do — No. 5663 d/ 18 Septr. '91.

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The draft of this G.O. is already in type
it may be lithographed.
But the appendix to the G.O. is not type
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27 Oct

The draft of the rules submitted by the Examiner P. W. Accounts with the second of his notes recorded above has, in communication with the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor, been revised, and the revised draft thus prepared will be adopted for future guidance.

2. The procedure has been simplified. It will not in future be necessary to send to

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

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My dear Boddy,

I herewith return duly approved your revised draft of Appendix P of the P.W. Code, with the file of papers that accompanied your letter of 21st inst.

You may now consider the matter as settled as arranged between us.

Yours sincerely

Major O.V. Boddy R.E.

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intimation of no balance remaining could be communicated to the P.S. who would then be kept informed of the sum against which he can operate. If the draft rules are altered to this extent, they will probably work with more ease.

Mr Boulton is clearly mistaken as to his responsibility for repairs to the furniture of Guindy Govt. House. He has apparently been misled by the rule requiring all Estimates to go to the Cons. Architect, which, as shown above, is unnecessary.

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Yes. I think that the rules might both be altered accordingly – The

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alteration [illegible] be made that the [illegible] [illegible] & Consulting Architect would send their estimates direct to the P.S. for sanction – When sanctioned the C.A. would allot the necessary funds, & report the balance available to the P.S. This wd. also more clearly indicate who is the officer responsible for the repairs

JVH
6.10.91

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