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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
8th April 1861.

No. 124. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department, dated 28th March 1861, No. 1,178:—

Communicate orders on a letter from the Chief Engineer on the subject for the land for the contemplated Barracks at Waltair. (Vide Military Proceedings, 28th March 1861, Nos. 561, 562.)

No. 125. ORDER THEREON, 8th April 1861, No. 785.

Ordered to be communicated to the Board of Revenue, for their information and guidance with reference to paragraph 3 of the order.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter:—

From the Chief Engineer, Chepauk, 21st March 1861, *No.* 11165; *to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Fort Saint George.*

I have the honor to forward an original letter* from the Acting District Engineer Vizagapatam, enclosing a copy† of one from the Collector on the subject of the ground taken up for the contemplated Barracks at Waltair, the construction of which is for the present at least abandoned.

Enclosures 4.

1 *Letter from the Acting District Engineer Vizagapatam, No.* 1245, *dated* 13*th February* 1861.
1 *Do. from Collector, No.* 90, *dated* 4*th February* 1861.
1 *Statement.*
1 *Telegram.*

* *No.* 1245, *dated* 13*th February* 1861.
† *No.* 90, *dated* 4*th February* 1861.

2. The orders of Government are solicited on the following three points:—

1st. Shall the land‡ taken up which has been levelled be given back to the proprietor, or shall it be purchased, he being paid for it 4,300 Rupees, at the rate of one Rupee for 500 square yards?

‡*About* 444¼ *Acres.*

	Rs.
Sanctioned by Government	67,000
Ootacamund Jail	16,000
Ellore Canal	20,000
Mily. Buildings at Vizanagram	700
Bellary Barracks	14,000
	50,700
Remaining Rupees	16,300

2ndly. Authority is requested for payment by the Acting District Engineer out of the Funds at his disposal for the Waltair Barracks of the sum of Rupees 260-14-5 as per accompanying Statement, being compensation for about twenty acres of land with value of Palmyrah trees, Kist to be paid, &c., the said land having already been taken possession of for Stabling, Hutting purposes, Riding School, &c., in connection with the Horse Field Battery.

3rdly. The Collector suggests the purchase of 544 Palmyrah trees, which are situated all round the Riding School, &c., at a cost of 544 Rupees, and a yearly compensation for the land, of Rupees 179-14-5, on the ground that if they be left in the hands of the proprietor, toddy drawing, and consequently toddy drinking by the Soldiers, would be carried on; moreover, the leaves being cut, and allowed without any careful supervision to drop at all times, and in any direction, would frighten the Horses which are picketed hard by, whereas if carefully removed, under the instructions of the Public Works Officers, the leaves might be advantageously used in re-thatching the Barracks from time to time. Sanction therefore, is requested for the payment of Rupees 544 for the Palmyrah trees from the Waltair Barracks money, and for the yearly compensation for the land, Rupees 179-14-5. This latter I conclude, will have to be provided for in the annual Budget of the Military Department, and not in that of the Public Works Department.

ORDER, No. 1178, 28*th March* 1861.

The Governor in Council observes that pending the receipt of a reply to the reference made to the Government of India and the Right Honorable the Secretary of State* on the subject of the Barrack accommodation for European Troops at Waltair, no final orders regarding the permanent acquisition of the land referred to in paragraph 1 of the foregoing letter, can be passed.

* *Mily. Dept., Proceedings of Government, No.* 153, 11*th Jany.* 1861.

2. Payment however, of the Bill† submitted for compensation for the land and trees alluded to in the 2nd clause of paragraph 2 of the Chief Engineer's letter, is authorised from the Funds at the disposal of the District Engineer, as requested.

† *Rupees* 260-14-5, *two hundred and sixty, Annas fourteen and Pies five.*

3. As regards the purchase of the Palmyrah trees referred to in the 3rd clause of paragraph 2, the Governor in Council is of opinion, that it will be preferable to pay rent for them as well as for the land for which compensation is demanded—the rent being fixed by the Collector and the use of the trees reserved to Government, until the final disposal of the question as to the permanent location of European Troops at Waltair is decided.

(True Extract.)

A Hamilton Sec.

Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Department Public Works, with two enclosures.

„ Quarter Master General.

„ Revenue Department. *With 10 spare Copies*

Exd. W. D'Arachy.

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A Hamilton
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