

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENTG.O. No. *E 31*

Press

*Mis**669-650*Dated *24th* *March* *1869*Not to be folded or roughly handled

No. 649. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 20th February 1869, No. 1,149 :—

Read the following letter from the Collector of Malabar, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Calicut, 2nd February 1869, No. 38.

1. In their Proceedings noted, the Board, as I understood, approved of a bungalow being built at Nilambur on the plan I had recommended in my letter, dated 16th April 1868, No. 92, out of the money available this year for Malabar. I must again strongly urge the adoption of the improved plan which, as I before remarked, is well worth the additional expenditure. The original one, cut down to bring it within an estimate of Rupees 2,000, will really not provide at all a satisfactory building.

2. I asked the Superintending Engineer to give me plan and estimate for Nilambur, in accordance with the Proceedings above quoted. I enclose his reply.*
* In original, dated 30th Jan. 1869, No. 111.
It will be seen he wishes reference made to Government, as he considers that desirable, before preparing the improved plan and estimate.

Colonel Walker informed me that the delay would not matter, as he could not undertake more work at Nilambur this year at any rate.

3. Captain Kennedy writes that the bungalow at Nadghany will probably cost as much as the original Periah estimate. The plan will be identical. He believes the Range Officer can conveniently spend about Rupees 2,500 on the work this year. The formal estimate has not been received and sanctioned; but as the work has been approved by the Board, I have requested Captain Kennedy at once to proceed with it to prevent the money being lost. Plan and estimate will follow very shortly.

4. He informs me that the Range Officer, North Wynaad, will probably not spend more than Rupees 3,000 out of the allotment of Rupees 4,700 for the Periah bungalow.

Captain Kennedy says he could conveniently spend Rupees 1,500 towards a bungalow at Kulpetti and the same at Vytry, if the money is placed at his disposal at once. As these have not been yet sanctioned, I have not felt justified in requesting him to commence the work. But I should be very glad if the Board can permit me to have the money thus utilised.

5. A new privy at Sultan's Battery is emergently wanted. I have not been able to get estimate for this, but it has been promised.

I should be glad to know if I may have this petty work taken up from the surplus allotment likely to remain.

I request early orders.

From the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to the Collector of Malabar, dated Calicut, 30th January 1869, No. 111.

1. On reference to the Revenue Board's Proceedings, quoted in your letter, No. 213, of 26th January, I have the honor to intimate my opinion that the Board had not paid proper attention to the subject under review, and had quite forgotten what they had written before.

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2. But whether the Board, after due consideration, prefer the larger or smaller plan of bungalow, I am justified, under the Standing Orders of the department, in requesting that reference be made to Government before I can provide revised plans and estimates.

IN their Proceedings, dated 19th November 1867, Revenue Department, No. 2,733, Government referred to the Board, for consideration, a letter from the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, submitting plans and estimates for some Public Bungalows in Malabar and South Canara.

2. The Board sought the opinion of the Collector of Malabar, and that Officer replied that he approved of the Superintending Engineer's plan generally, but would certainly add side verandahs, and have the godown and cook-room in a separate building from the stables, instead of having all three under the same roof, as in the Superintending Engineer's plan.

3. As funds were not immediately available, the Board requested the Collector to bring the matter forward again in the ensuing year.

4. In April 1868, Mr. Ballard accordingly addressed the Board again, and stated that the Superintending Engineer, Colonel Walker, declared himself unable to comply with his request to modify and revise the plan and estimate, which he (Colonel Walker) stated "were designed with the express intention of exceeding as little as possible, the sum of Rupees 2,000, within which a former Order of Government directed the cost of such buildings to be restricted." Colonel Walker added that the cost of a bungalow and out-offices, as proposed by Mr. Ballard, would be about Rupees 3,000.

5. Mr. Ballard very strongly urged that the additional expenditure should not be refused. "If," he wrote, "it is worth while building a bungalow at a station at all, it is worth while incurring the extra expense (about 1,000 Rupees Colonel Walker estimates roughly), to make them moderately comfortably halting places, which certainly, on his original plan, they would not be. Colonel Walker considers that the plan of having the cook-room and stable under one-roof is not objectionable. I think it is, and that the small extra expense of having the buildings separate is more than counterbalanced by the additional possibility of cleanliness that the arrangement allows."

6. Funds, however, were low at the time, and the utmost economy was indispensable. The Board, therefore, replied on the 23rd June 1868 as follows:—"The alterations which Mr. Ballard proposes to be made in the plan of Travellers' Bungalow would certainly be a great improvement, but the Bungalow Fund is not in a position to bear the extra expenditure that would be entailed."

7. It will be seen from this that the Board accepted Colonel Walker's plan, solely on account of its being the least expensive—a great consideration where the resources of the Fund and the number of bungalows said to be required are considered.

8. This, as already pointed out, was in June 1868. In the following September the Board received the Order of Government marginally noted, which

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afforded a prospect of additional funds being available in 1869-70; and in their Budget for that year, submitted, 28th October 1868, the Board raised the usual grant from Rupees 10,000 to Rupees 15,000. The Board have placed Rupees 8,887 at Mr. Ballard's disposal for bungalows at Periah, Nadghany, and Nilambur, and as the buildings at the two first places were estimated at nearly Rupees 5,247 each, it

From Collector, 26th Aug. 1868.
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was obvious that both could not be built out of the grant. The Board, therefore, recommended Government to sanction the estimate for Periah, and informed

the Collector that the Nadghany building should be deferred, and that a plan and estimate should be submitted for sanction, with all possible expedition, for the Nilambur bungalow, which was estimated to cost less than 3,500.

9. The Board thus gave the preference to Mr. Ballard's proposed modification of Colonel Walker's original plan, because the pressure on the Bungalow Fund was likely to be relieved under the operation of the Order of Government of September, already referred to.

10. Nilambur is in the plains and on the high road from Goodalore by the Karkur Ghaut to Calicut. For these reasons the Board still think that the improvements suggested by Mr. Ballard should here be carried out, and as Colonel Walker refuses to revise his plan and estimate without express orders from Government, the Board recommend that the necessary instructions be issued to him.

NOTE.—This is independent of the grant in the Public Works Budget, Rupees 11,126. The Board will provide the requisite funds in 1869-70, notwithstanding the reduction of the item in their Budget, Rupees 15,000 to Rupees 10,000.

11. The Collector was not warranted in proceeding with the Nadghany Bungalow without express sanction, after the receipt of the Board's Proceedings, dated 26th October last, No. 7,618.

12. He will take care not to exceed this year's grant. The new privy at Sultan's Battery may be constructed from the balance of the grant, as it is emergently needed.

13. The buildings at Vytry and Kulputti cannot be commenced till the estimates are sanctioned by Government, and funds regularly allotted.

14. The Board resolve to request the attention of Government to the offensive style of Colonel Walker's letter, dated 30th January 1869, No. 111. The résumé above given of their Proceedings in this matter will, they trust, satisfy Government that his discourtesy was altogether unprovoked.

No. 650. ORDER THEREON, 24th March 1869, No. 831.

Local Funds, No. 20.
Civil Works.

1. Under the circumstances stated by the Board of Revenue, the Government authorize the revision of the plan and estimate for the Public Bungalow at Nilambur, agreeably to the suggestions made by Mr. Ballard, the Collector.

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2. The necessary orders will be issued to the Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division, from the Public Works Department, and the objectionable tone of his letter, dated 30th January 1869, No. 111, alluded to by the Board, will also be noticed in that Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue
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lector.—Construction of new Privy at Sultan's
Battery, authorized.—Bungalows at Vytty and
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