

pany's Interest than paying House rent as they will always fetch nearly the Sums paid for them.

84. There being a very great Scarcity of houses in the Settlement, insufficient even for the present inhabitants, We have directed Mr. Bartholomew Plaisted our Surveyor to Build Slight Appartments on the Cottah Godowns and on the Long row in the old ffactory for the reception of the Officers of Colonel Cootes battalion, and for the Reception of as many Writers as can conveniently be accommodated there the Expence of this Work will be but trifling as the appartments are to be cover'd with Thatch and there will be but very little brick Work.

332. PROCEEDINGS AS TO BUILDINGS IN JANUARY, 1760.

Extracts from Bengal Public Proceedings. Fort William, January 11, January 14 and 28, and January 31, 1760. Range I., Vol. XXXII.

Mr. Finley ordered to desist from Building.

January 11.—The Collector of the Revenues lays before the Board a report made to him by the Surveyor, from which it appears that the Buildings Mr. Richard Finley is erecting encroach on the Publick and will prove a Nuisance

ORDER'D therefore the Secretary do write to him to desist from building or that it will be demolished by the Surveyor. . . .

January 14.—AGREED Mr. Sumner Collector of the Revenues do examine the Building Mr. Finley has erected, and report to Us whether it incommodes the Road or whether its Built on his Own Ground. . . .

The Powder Works.

Mr. Martin Costelly sends in a Letter to the Board representing the Great Danger the Company's Powder Works and Powder are exposed to of being Destroyed by fire by their being surrounded with Straw houses.

ORDER'D therefore that he takes possession of the Spot pitched upon some time since by Messrs. Brohier and Plaisted and that he as soon as possible removes the Utensils . . . and Materials to that place and in the mean time the proprietors of the Straw houses be directed to Cover the Thatches with Mudd, and

that the President of the Quorum of Zemindars do see it executed.

January 28.—Mr. Martin Costelly sends in a List of Buildings necessary to be Erected for the New Powder Works at Patumberseats Garden.

The Board taking into consideration the ruinous Expence this Work will be attended with if carried on according to Mr. Costelly's Plan

RESOLVED that a stop be immediately put to removing the Materials of the Powder Works and that the most Effectual Method be taken for Securing the Works at Perrins Garden.

Mr. ffingley's Building.

Mr. Sumner the Collector lays before the Board a report of the Measurement of Mr. Richard ffingleys Ground, by which it appearing that he has no Title to any land to the Westward of his dwelling House

ORDER'D that the Building he has erected be demolished by the Surveyor.

Fenwick Compensated for his Garden.

Captain Fenwick sends in a Letter requesting the Board will make him some equivalent for a large Garden which has been taken and Destroyed to make room for the New Works.

January 31.—The Board taking into Consideration Captain Fenwick's Letter dated the 28th Instant and it appearing that he has received no Consideration for the Garden therein mentioned which was taken possession of to make Room for the New Works

AGREED unanimously that he be paid fifteen hundred Arcot Rupees as an Equivalent for the Buildings he had erected and the other Charges he had been at, and that another Spot of Ground be allowed him in some Other Place and that the Collector do put him in Possession there of.

333. THE COUNCIL REPORT THAT THE POWDER WORKS
REMAIN AT PERRIN'S.

*Extract from General Letter from Bengal to the Court. Fort William,
February 3, 1760. Bengal Letters received, Vol. IV.*

6. We have before advised you of our intention of removing the Powder Works from Perrin's Garden to a spot belonging to Petumber Seat and had accordingly given the necessary Orders for this being carried into execution, But Mr. Martin Costelly who has for some time past been employ'd in making the Powder having the 28th Ultimo laid before us a list of several new buildings which would be necessary for carrying on this business by which it appears that changing the spot would be attended with immense expence, and we finding likewise from the report of the Engineer and Officer of Artillery enter'd after that days Consultation that the Powder does not turn out according to our expectations, We came to a resolution to put an immediate stop to the new buildings and directed Mr. Costelly to continue the making the Powder at Perrin's Gardens. And at the same time determined to use every precaution in our power for the security of it there.

334. PROCEEDINGS AS TO BUILDINGS FOR THE REST OF THE
YEAR 1760.

*Extracts from Bengal Public Consultations. Fort William, February 14,
March 13, March 24, March 27, July 17, August 11, September 15 and
22, October 12 and 20, and November 12, 1760. Raage I., Vol. XXXII.*

Some of the Bungaloes finished.

February 14.—Mr. Plaisted sends in a Letter advising us of 14 of the Bungaloes being ready and that the rest will be completed in 15 or 20 days.

Apartments in the Warehouses made into Barracks.

March 13.—The Board taking into consideration the Report of the Town Major of there being in great want of Barracks for the