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Entry 103

File, Fort, Battery:

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Ft. Adams

8-inch / Rodman

Temporary Battery

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SUBJECT: 15-inch smooth-bore carriage at Fort Adams.

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Office of the Chief of Engineers,

United States Army,

Washington, April 29, 1898.

Maj. D. W. Lockwood,

Corps of Engineers,

Newport, R. I.

Major:

Your telegram of even date relative to 15-inch smooth-bore carriages has been received. It is understood in this office that there is but one 15-inch smooth-bore carriage at Fort Adams strong enough to mount an 8-inch E. L. Rifle, and that this carriage is the one referred to in Department letter 12950/36, March 23, 1896, as having been ordered by the Chief of Ordnance to be issued from the Watertown Arsenal to Fort Adams. This carriage has recoil cylinders with throttling bars.

It is intended that this carriage, if not already mounted, shall be mounted on one of the emplacements for 15-inch smooth-bore carriages previously constructed at Fort Adams. If the emplacement needs repairs they should of course be made. If the particular carriage referred to has a serviceable gun now on it, this gun should not be dismounted until just long enough before the arrival of the 8-inch rifle and cradle to make the necessary alterations.

By command of Brig. Gen. Wilson:

Very respectfully, your obedient servant.

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Captain, Corps of Engineers.

Subject: Directions to mount 8" B.L.rifle at Fort Adams, R.I.

U. S. Engineer Office,

MAJOR D. W. LOCKWOOD,
Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., in Charge

Newport, R. I., May 2, 1898.

Brig. Gen. John M. Wilson,

Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of letter Office Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army, April 27, 1898, Engr. Dep't File No. 26115, with papers transmitted therewith, directing the preparation of an emplacement at Fort Adams, R. I., for the mounting of one 8-inch B. L. rifle on carriage already mounted at that place, and making a provisional allotment therefor. The directions contained in the letter will be complied with.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,



Major, Corps of Engineers, U.S.A.

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C. Kuyper, P.C.
May 2, 1898

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preparation of an report on
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ing of 18" B.P.A. on award
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Subject: Req. Allotment - Earth covers of magazines, Ft. Adams, R.I.

U. S. Engineer Office,

Newport, R. I., May 17, 1898.

Brig. Gen. John M. Wilson,

Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army,

Washington, D. C.

General:

I have the honor to request that an allotment of \$2,500. may be made from the proper appropriation for increasing the earth covers of the magazines for the 15-inch guns and 8-inch converted rifles in the water battery south of Fort Adams. Some of the old magazines were never completely covered and the earth covers of others were deemed insufficient. The parapet in front of the 8-inch rifles has always been low and it has been deemed advisable that it should be raised and strengthened. The work is about one half completed already.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

J. W. Lockwood

Major, Corps of Engineers, U.S.A.

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Newport, R. I.
May 17, 1898.

Lockwood, May: R. I.

Reg. an allot. of \$3,500. for
increasing the sand service of the
Magazine for 15-inch guns of the
coast. Also in the water battery
coast of Fort Adams.

1st indorsement.

Office Chief of Engineers,

U. S. Army.

May 20, 1898.

Respectfully returned approved.
The sum of \$2,500 is hereby al-
lotted from the appropriation for
"Preservation and Repair of Forti-
fications", Act of March 3, 1897,
to be applied to the purpose men-
tioned within.

This paper to be returned.

By command of Brig. Gen. Wilson:

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Joseph E. Archer
Captain, Corps of Engineers.

and indorsement.

U. S. Engineer Office,
Newport, R. I., May 23, 1898.

Respectfully returned to
the Chief of Engineers, U. S.
Army, the necessary record hav-
ing been made.

H. W. Arnold
Major, Corps of Engineers.

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