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G.O. No. 622, 1st July 1913.

University Library.

Passing orders on the question of the site for the location of the —.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O. No. 622, EDUCATIONAL, DATED
1ST JULY 1913.

[SUBJECT.—Construction of a building for the University library.]

NOTES WITH G.O. No. 140, EDUCATIONAL, DATED 19TH FEBRUARY 1913. 1912

From the University of Madras, dated 24th January 1912, No. 236.

On the recommendation of the Finance Committee which sat last month, a sum of 1.50 lakhs has been entered under the head 22. EDUCATION—UNIVERSITY for a grant to the University. Of this grant, a sum of Rs. 20,00.0 is intended for the Tamil lexicon and the remainder for the new library building. Thus the question of a grant for the library building has already been settled and the only matter to be considered is the question of site.

2. The University ask for a site in the Marine Villa compound to the north of the Senate House. The Marine Villa forms part of the Government House and if a site in it is to be given to the University, the consent of His Excellency should, in the first instance, be obtained. The matter, however, is one for consideration in the Revenue Department.

T.K.—9-2-12.

3. The grant cannot be placed at the disposal of the University until after the beginning of the next official year: the University may, however, it is submitted, be informed that in the budget proposals for next year provision has been made for the purpose and that in the meantime detailed plans and estimates may be got ready.

4. As for the site, the Revenue Department may be consulted.

R. SUNDARAM AIYAR—9-2-12.

If Financial agree the University may at once be requested to push on with detailed plans and estimates. The question of site can be dealt with more at B leisure. The Chief Secretary himself favoured location farther south where the Revenue Board's tiffin and motor sheds are. Revenue and Government House will have to be consulted.

L. DAVIDSON—12-2-12.

To the Financial Department.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Submitted that the proposal at B ante may be accepted.

V.G.K.—14-2-12.

C. REILLY—14-2-12.

H. A. STUART—14-2-12

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

* Issued as G.O. No. 140, Educational, dated 19th February 1912.

The draft * below is for approval. The question of site will be taken up separately.

T.K.—16-2-12.

R. SUNDARAM AIYAR—16-2-12.

L. DAVIDSON—17-2-12.

Please see the Secretary's note at B on the previous page. The papers may now be forwarded to the Revenue Department for considering the question of site.

T.K.—26-4-12.

T. E. MOIR—29-4-12.

To the Revenue Department.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

A draft official memorandum to the Board of Revenue is submitted.

K.R.N.—30-4-12.

S. H. SLATER—1-5-12.

(Official Memorandum No. 1047 C. 12-1, dated 1st May 1912.)

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), No. 2701, *Mis.*, dated 20th July 1912.

A committee consisting of the Superintending Engineer, V Circle, the President of the Madras Corporation, the Collector of Madras and the Registrar of the University which was convened to consider the question of a site for the University library has recommended the land north of the Senate House on which the Marine Villa now stands as the most suitable for the purpose. The Board of Revenue supports the committee's recommendation. The proposal as stated by the Board involves the sanction of a new residence for His Excellency the Governor's Surgeon who occupies the Marine Villa. It is reported that the construction of a new residence for His Excellency's Surgeon is under contemplation. The site committee referred to above states that if the new residence for the Surgeon is put in hand at once the library could find temporary accommodation in the Marine Villa until such time as the new building for the library is erected.

2. Before any further action is taken, the consent of His Excellency the Governor should be obtained to the proposal to hand over the Marine Villa to the University and it should be ascertained when the proposed new residence for the Surgeon will be ready.

K.R.N.—25-7-12.

T. E. MOIR—26-7-12.

To the Educational department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

The Board of Revenue supports the committee's recommendation that the best site for the University library is that on which the "Marine Villa" stands. The committee has also considered the alternative sites available, in the vicinity of the Senate House, but disapproves of them. It is not known in what stage is the question of building separate quarters for His Excellency's Surgeon or how it originated. Attention may be invited to the following remarks of the Hon'ble Mr. Sivaswami Aiyar, C.S.I., C.I.E., on this subject made in another connection:—

"I would strongly support the request of the University for the Marine Villa site. It is so close to the Senate House and suitable for the University library buildings."

Submitted that the file may now be circulated to His Excellency for orders as to whether the "Marine Villa" site may be approved as the site for the University library.

2. It may be observed that it is proposed to provide in the new buildings for the "Oriental Library" also. Proposals are separately under consideration for utilizing the existing Engineering College buildings for this purpose. Please see paragraph 3 of Secretary's note, dated 7th June 1912, on the file regarding the future use of the Engineering College buildings after the removal of the college to Guindy.

C. RAMANUJA CHARI—2-8-12.

The file relates only to the question of the site of the proposed University library, for which plans and estimates were called for in G.O. No. 140, Educational, dated 19th February 1912. The plans can hardly be worked out until a decision has been arrived at on the proposal (now in circulation with another file) to use the special Imperial grant to the University for the formation of an Oriental Language school. One item in that proposal is the construction of a building to provide for the Oriental Manuscripts Library, lecture rooms, etc., for readers in Dravidian tongues and Sanskrit, and also this University Library.

As His Excellency is on tour circulation the case may go first to the Hon'ble Sir H. A. Stuart and the Hon'ble Mr. Sivaswami Aiyar, both of whom are interested in the question of the site.

L. DAVIDSON—3-8-12.

I know nothing of any proposal to build a new residence for the Surgeon to His Excellency the Governor and I see that in the linked file * His Excellency has said that the University are not likely to get the Marine Villa site. Personally I much prefer the site to the west of the Senate House. So prominent a position should not be occupied by the mean buildings which now stand on it, and the protection from the sea afforded by the Senate House, the slightly greater distance and the southern frontage is of importance.

2. The sketch plan for the library is in my opinion quite unsuitable. Perhaps Mr. Nicholls has some plans of European Libraries which would give us assistance in this matter. It is essential that the staff rooms should so be arranged as to make it very difficult for readers to remove books. I do not know how it may be at the Connemara Library, but my experience of the Imperial library in Calcutta was that we lost a good number of books which, to put it plainly, the readers stole. I am sorry to say that the great majority of the books stolen were law books! Another essential feature of the new building is that it must be capable of easy extension. It must also have an imposing frontage. The Allahabad University have recently built a library at a cost, I believe, of Rs. 2½ lakhs; and I think the Punjab University are about to build a library. Perhaps the plans adopted in those cases would be of use to us.

H. A. S[UTCLIFFE]—6-8-12.

His Excellency's note that the University is not likely to get the Marine Villa was dated the 13th May 1912. But Mr. Keeling states in his letter of the 4th of July 1912 that a requisition has been received from the Military Secretary to the Governor for plans and estimates for new quarters for the Governor's Surgeon. It may therefore be hoped that accommodation will be elsewhere provided for the Governor's Surgeon.

If the Governor's Surgeon is out of the way (and I hope he will be put out of the way) I don't see why my Honourable colleague prefers the site in the west of the Senate House. Apparently he regards the existing buildings on the western site as an eye-sore and wishes to get rid of them and substitute more imposing buildings. The existing conveniences on the western site must be provided for somewhere and I think they are best where they are. They are screened from view by the Senate House and don't offend persons passing on the Marina. The building

site committee considers the western site too low-lying and suited only to the buildings which have been erected there. The Board concurs in their view. And I think they are right. I may also add that these buildings have been constructed only recently and it would be wasteful to demolish them and then put up similar buildings elsewhere.

The advantages of the Marine Villa compound are (1) that it would be open to the sea-breeze during the hot hours of the day and (2) that a fine building on that site would add to the attractiveness of the Marina. An east aspect is quite as good for buildings in Madras as a south aspect and it has not been shown that the sea-breeze is injurious to books. The experience of the Presidency College authorities is to the contrary (*vide* Dr. Bourne's letter of the 8th May). What we want in Madras is not protection from the sea but direct access to the sea-breeze. I would, therefore, press the suit of the University on His Excellency and persuade him to part with the Marine Villa site.

As regards the architectural requirements of the library buildings, I agree with my Honourable colleague.

P. S. S[IVASWAMI AIYAR]—7-8-12.

Submitted that the file may be circulated to His Excellency as soon as he returns from tour.

C. RAMANUJA CHARI—8-8-12.

Yes, please.

L. DAVIDSON—9-8-12.

If the Marine Villa site is pressed for the settlement must wait for Lord Pentland's arrival. I am not prepared to consent to the alienation of the site. The present Government House Doctor likes the house very much and would live in it when the Government is in Madras.

Personally I think it a bad site. The dust blowing there in the months of March, April and May makes the place almost uninhabitable in those months.

If the ground to west of Senate House is taken the library will be sheltered from the dust and we shall have a fine building fronting the road down to the beach from the Mount Road.

I much prefer this site. I understand Mr. Nicholls has some plans for a library which he has been drawing up.

M. H[AMMICK]—17-8-12.

The University may be informed that no orders could be passed on their application for the Marine Villa site before the end of November next. It is presumed that nothing need at present be said about the alternative site referred to by His Excellency. A draft official memorandum to the University is submitted for approval.

2. As regards plans for the library it is understood that Mr. Nicholls has already submitted some preliminary plans and that they will soon come before Government. After the issue of the official memorandum to the University the file may be sent to the Public Works Department with the request that the plans when received may be circulated to this department.

T.K.—23-8-12.

C. RAMANUJA CHARI—23-8-12.

I do not think any useful purpose would be served by sending out an official memorandum confirming what His Excellency has already told the Vice-Chancellor orally. Await the library plans which Mr. Nicholls is preparing. Circulate the case to the Hon'ble Mr. Sivaswami Aiyar for perusal of His Excellency's note.

L. DAVIDSON—24-8-12.

* Mr. Nicholls' Demi-official to Secretary regarding plan of libraries.

The file below * may go to Public Works Department with the request that Educational may see the plans.

L. DAVIDSON—24-8-12.

P. S. S[IVASWAMI AIYAR]—26-8-12.

Returned. His Excellency cannot agree to relinquish the Marine Villa site.

(By order.)

C. B. COTTERELL—12-12-12.

Submitted that if the University library should be located *near the Senate House*, the only alternative site available is that to the west of the Senate House occupied by the tiffin rooms. Accommodation can also be found in the main building of the College of Engineering where there are two large halls which, the committee appointed to consider the future uses of the present buildings of the college stated, might well serve the purpose of lecture rooms for the University. In this connection attention is solicited to the Secretary's remarks in paragraph 3 of his note, dated 7th June 1912, on the file regarding the future use of the Engineering College building after the removal of the college to Guindy. The Secretary has noted that "if the lecture halls and their annexes in the college buildings admit of adaptation for the purpose (of the University and the Oriental Manuscripts Library) the University would be saved much capital expenditure on bricks and mortar and "most of the non-recurring grant of 4½ lakhs would be available for other connected "objects." It is not known whether the two halls and the adjoining rooms will be sufficient for the requirements of the two libraries. Even if it were, the Engineering College building is not likely to be available for the next two or three years.†

The University considers that the question of the building for the library is urgent and should be taken up without delay. They may not therefore agree to waiting for a few years more for locating the library in the Engineering College building. Under these circumstances the only course open is to construct a building on the site to the west of the Senate House. Submitted that the University may be requested to report definitely whether they agree to the location of the library on this site.

This seems necessary before final steps are taken for the transfer of the site. A draft memorandum is placed below for approval.

2. The Revenue Department enquire in what stage the question of site for the University Library now is. This file may be sent to the Revenue Department for perusal after issue of the memorandum.

S.K.—4-12-12.

C. RAMANUJA CHARI—9-12-12.

It is unnecessary to send the entire file to Revenue. A brief memorandum stating the facts is preferable.

2. These notes ought to be printed.

3. I do not think the second sentence of the draft memorandum is necessary, and before issuing the first, with perhaps an addendum referring to the possibility of locating the library in the College of Engineering buildings, I should like to know exactly what is being done about the preparation of plans and estimates. These ought now to be drawn up on the basis if the site west of the Senate House, which was the Syndicate's second choice. Has Mr. Nicholls got this matter on the stock and if so is it in communication with the Syndicate and at their request or has he simply taken up the job *con amore* or under orders from Public Works Department.

L. DAVIDSON—9-12-12.

Paragraph 1 of Secretary's note above.—Reply to the reminder from the Revenue Department is submitted in the linked file below.*
S.K.

2. *Paragraph 2 of Secretary's note.*—After the issue of the memorandum referred to below, the papers will be printed as directed by the Secretary and a copy sent to the Revenue Department for further action with reference to the transfer to the University of the site west of the Senate House. It is not known in whose charge it is at present.
S.K.

3. *Paragraph 3 of Secretary's note.*—A revised memorandum is submitted for approval. The information required by the Secretary is not available. It is not known what progress has been made with the preparation of plans and estimates. In August last, Mr. Nicholls reported that he had prepared some preliminary drawings. The Public Works Department then noted, at the request of this Department, that they would send us the plans and estimates when received. It is not also known at whose instance Mr. Nicholls drew up the preliminary drawings. A copy of these notes

L. DAVIDSON.

Copy sent to Public Works Department separately.
S. K.

when printed may be sent to Public Works Department with the request they will furnish the information required by the Secretary.
Issue draft as revised.

C. RAMANUJA CHARI—14-12-12.

L. DAVIDSON—18-12-12.

[Memorandum No. 1244-2, dated 18th December 1912.]

From the Registrar of the University, dated 22nd January 1913, No. 289.

The Syndicate of the University of Madras are not in favour of the proposal to locate the Oriental Manuscripts Library in the Engineering College building. Apparently they would locate it, if transferred to their control, in the new building to be constructed for the University Library near the Senate House. They do not express any opinion on the proposal to utilize the main halls in the Engineering College as University lecture rooms: apparently they do not require them.

2. With reference to paragraphs 2 and 3 of office-note on the previous page it is submitted that copies of the current and notes in this file were forwarded to the Revenue and the Public Works Departments on the 28th January last. As orders with regard to the transfer to the University of the site west of the Senate House will issue in the Revenue Department

this file † may be closed on receipt of the reply from the Public Works Department

to the Secretary's queries at **K** on the previous page.

S.K.—2-2-13.

C. RAMANUJA CHARI—3-2-13.

Await that reply please.

L. DAVIDSON—3-2-13.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

The preparation of plans and estimates was taken in hand by the Consulting Architect at the instance of the Syndicate. Site and block plans embodying the requirements of the Syndicate for the new library including accommodation for the Oriental Manuscripts Library have been prepared by the Consulting Architect in

consultation with the Registrar of the University and are being sent to him with the suggestion to ascertain the views of the Syndicate and the Government in the matter. With this information, the file may be returned to Educational.

N.R.—18-3-13.

T.S.R.—18-3-13.

D. MARSHALL—18-3-13.

To the Revenue Department.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Please see Educational Department Memorandum No. 1244-2, dated 15th December 1912, at page 2, current file. A draft official-memorandum to the Board of Revenue is submitted for approval. It may be sent to the Educational Department for acceptance.

K.A.M.—30-1-13.

M.R.N.—30-1-13.

T. E. MOIR—30-1-13.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

The draft memorandum may be accepted in this department and the file returned to Revenue.

S.K.—2-2-13.

C. RAMANUJA CHARI—3-2-13.

I accept with some hesitation; for my impression is that Sir Harold Stuart's desire is to scrap the Board's garage as well as the tiffin rooms, both being mean buildings. The reference does not suggest that.

L. DAVIDSON—3-2-13.

To the Revenue Department.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

The existing buildings on the site west of the Senate House are the Board's tiffin rooms, stables, garages and latrines—*vide* paragraph 2 of the site committee's report at page 2, current file. Perhaps the words "stables, etc." may be added after the words "tiffin rooms" in the draft official-memorandum.

K.A.M.—7-2-13.

M.R.N.—7-2-13.

Issue as amended.

T. E. MOIR—7-2-13.

[Official-memorandum to the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), No. 255-C./13-2, dated 8th February 1913.]

From the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), dated 19th March 1913, No. 1192.

Please see the Board's report at pages 4 to 6, current file. The Board states that the site west of the Senate House is required for the Board's Laboratory the construction of which was recently sanctioned. The Board does not know the exact extent that will be required for the laboratory buildings, but it has no objection to the balance, if any left in the northern wing of the site, after providing for the laboratory and the new tiffin rooms for the Board's office, being utilised for the

University Library provided it is sufficient for the purpose. The Board states that it would strongly protest against placing any portion of the site facing its own buildings at the disposal of the University before its own requirements are met.

2. The file may, it is submitted, be now returned to the Educational Department. No definite decision can apparently be arrived at in the matter till the Syndicate's report on the question of utilising a portion of the Engineering College buildings for the purpose of the library is received—*vide* paragraph 2 of the Educational Department Memorandum No. 1244-2, dated 18th December 1912.

K.A.M.—26-3-13.

C.V.R.—26-3-13.

M.R.N.—26-3-13.

T. E. MOIR—27-3-13.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

From the Board's Resolution Mis. No. 1192, dated 19th March 1913, on page 3 of current file it will be seen that the major portion of the site to the west of the Senate House will be required for the Board's new laboratory, tiffin rooms and motor-garage. It is not known whether the remaining portion of the land will be sufficient for the location of the University Library building.

2. The site committee recommended that, if the University should be near the Senate House, it should either be on the Marine Villa site or on that on which the Board's tiffin rooms and latrine are situated. These two sites are now not available. For orders whether the University may be asked to select some other site away from the Senate House.

3. The plans and estimates have been prepared by the Consulting Architect.

S.K.—29-3-13.

The Syndicate desires that the library

Paragraph 4 (3) on page 3 of G.O. No. 140, dated 19th February 1912.

Paragraph 2 of the Proceedings of the Committee.

should be located in the neighbourhood of the Senate House. The site to the north (the Marine Villa site) is not to be relinquished; that to the south is out of the question as it will interfere with the Board's office. The only site on which the University will have to fall back is that to the west. The Board will retain the southern portion of this site for itself for building laboratory, etc. The only portion available to the University is the northern part of it. From the sketch of the site it appears that the whole plot will measure roughly 500' x 300'. It may *perhaps* be possible to crowd into this site all the buildings which the University and the Board want to construct. The Hon'ble Sir Harold Stuart noted (on 6th August 1912) that the new University building should be "capable of easy extension" and should have an "imposing frontage". His Excellency Sir Murray Hammick also observed that we should have a fine building "fronting the road down to the beach from the Mount Road". It is not clear which road was meant—the Wallajah Road or the road to the north of the Government House Park. In any case it would not be desirable to allow any large portion of the site to be used by the Board if the University building is to be located thereon. Even according to the original idea, the library alone was to cover a surface area of about 8,250 square feet. The University has now proposed to provide for lecture halls in this building. This will require additional space.

His Excellency meant the Wallajah Road from near the Queen's Statue to the Buckingham Canal bridge.

L. DAVIDSON—6-4-13.

the site to be used by the Board if the University building is to be located thereon. Even according to the original idea, the library alone was to cover a surface area of

$$\begin{aligned} 10+30+55+15 &= 110 \\ 55+20 &= 75 \\ 110 \times 75 &= 8,250. \end{aligned}$$

2. The Board protests against the use of this site (facing its buildings) for University purposes before its own needs are satisfied. Its needs so far as they are gathered from this file are accommodation for the laboratory, tiffin rooms and motor-garage. As regards the last two, the Hon'ble Sir Harold Stuart has noted that these "mean buildings" should not be located in the site. In paragraph 3 of the Board's Resolution No. 1192, dated 19th March 1913, it is stated that if the Separate Revenue Department were to take a portion for the laboratory, "fresh accommodation will have to be found for tiffin rooms in the vacant ground to the west of the canal". This implies that it is possible to find other site for these buildings.

3. The only other building to be provided is the laboratory under contemplation. The Board says that there is no other site equally suitable for the purpose. If this is to be accepted, it is for consideration whether the laboratory and library buildings alone may be built on this site. Public Works Department may be asked to advise whether this will be feasible.

4. It may perhaps also be considered whether the *large halls* in the main block of the Engineering College, which were originally reserved for the University but which are apparently not now required by it, may not be utilized for the laboratory in the event of the removal of the college to Guindy. The question considered in G.O. No. 3656, Revenue, dated 7th December 1912, was whether the college laboratory might not be used by the Board. This was found unsuitable. If the Board could wait until the new Engineering College buildings are constructed, it may be worth while examining the question whether these *halls* (not the laboratory) may be adapted to the Board's requirements.

Please see the Chief Engineer's note on pages 9 to 11 of G.O. No. 3656, dated 7th December 1912.

C. RAMANUJA CHARI—4-4-13

It is quite plain that one of the three * conflicting interests must give way, but I do not think any advance is likely to be feasible until after His Excellency the Governor returns from tour. What will then be required is a site plan indicating the size and proposed location of (a) the University Library, (b) the Board's new laboratory; the two buildings will presumably overlap. Please print this case against discussion in Council and ask Public Works Department kindly to let us have a plan as indicated †.

- * (a) Marine Villa compound.
- (b) University } for site west of
- (c) Board } Senate House.

† U.o. note sent separately to P.W.D.

L. DAVIDSON—6-4-13.

[I cannot help thinking myself that the best place for the library would be a slice off Marine Villa compound north of the Senate House. If only a small slice were taken the amenities of the Villa should not be prejudiced.]

The current and notes have been printed. The site plan called for from Public Works department may be awaited.

S.K.—23-4-13.

C. RAMANUJA CHARI—23-4-13.

To the Public Works Department.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

C.A. No. 35 of 1913 showing the proposed position of the University new Library block and P.S. No. 25 of 1913, showing the proposed location of the Board's new laboratory, are put up. The latter plan shows the position of the new laboratory between the tiffin rooms and the canal; but it is understood that the Board proposes to locate the laboratory on the site where the tiffin rooms now stand and that the matter is under consideration by the Board of Revenue.

2. A block plan of the proposed University buildings—No. C.A. 49 of 1913—has been prepared at the request of the Registrar of the University. This plan provides accommodation for the new library and the Oriental Manuscripts Library and will cost Rs. 3 lakhs roughly if a good class of workmanship is employed. The plan has been approved by the Syndicate. It is observed that besides these, offices and lecture rooms have to be provided separate from the library building.

Vide Registrar's letter No. 1530, dated 4th April 1913.

3. If this scheme for the University extension is to go through, the whole of the plot between the Buckingham Canal and the south beach road outlined in blue on plan No. P.S. 25 of 1913 should be earmarked for the University. The plot is none too much for future extensions and for the buildings to be seen to advantage; and it is thought that it would be a pity to give up a prominent corner of this site for the Board's laboratory.

4. With these remarks the file may be returned to Educational who will consider the question of the site and the plan of the buildings.

M. K. TATACHARI—28-5-13.

D. MARSHALL—29-5-13.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

The site plans required by the Secretary (Mr. Davidson) have been furnished by the Public Works Department. From the plans* it would appear that the whole plot of ground where tiffin rooms and latrines now stand, will be required for the University library and its future extensions.

S.K.—9-5-13.

C. RAMANUJA CHARI—9-6-13.

If the plan now forwarded is adopted, there would not be room for the building in the compound of Marine Villa†. A building facing otherwise than towards the sea would spoil the appearance of the Marina; but if a design with more depth were adopted, the road diverted nearer the north end of the Senate House there would be room.

† Mr. Davidson's note on page 9 above.

If the building is put parallel to the Senate House, as in the plan, a handsome frontage would be much wasted, as it would not be visible from the Wallajah Road especially if it is subsequently marked by the "future addition" shown on the plan. For similar reasons the Board's laboratory, garage and tiffin rooms cannot be allowed to remain in front of the library (between it and the Wallajah Road) even if room could be found for the library without disturbing them.

3. Discussion of the plan of the library can wait till the site is settled, but the present plan seems to contain a great deal of hall and store-room to precious little room for books. The University books have to squeeze into two rooms 50' × 25' and 45' × 27' 9".

W. FRANCIS—10-6-13.

I have discussed this with Mr. C. A. Smith and Mr. Francis and would suggest as follows.

The question of site comes first.

I put aside the Marine Villa site, which is not available. The Senate House is the most important building upon the plot of land upon which it stands lying between the South Beach Road and the Buckingham Canal. That plot is none too large for the purposes of the University; and should, I think, be wholly devoted to these purposes.

To erect new buildings upon it for other purposes, especially buildings of minor importance, would be a mistake. Existing minor buildings facing the Wallajah Road and belonging to the Board of Revenue which are in any case quite unsuited to so important a site should give way and the best possible site be selected upon that plot for the new library; plans can then be considered.

The Board of Revenue's requirements should of course be met elsewhere.

P[ENTLAND]—13-6-13.

I entirely agree with His Excellency as to the site.

I do not approve of the location of the library on the site. The frontage should be on the Wallajah Road and the plan of the building should be such that additions can be made by extending northwards. I do not like the block plan of the library for various reasons and I should like to see some plans of modern libraries. In my previous note I suggested that we should get copies of the plans of the library at Allahabad and the projected University library at Lahore. This should be done at once. Perhaps the Consulting Architect has plans of some European libraries or could get them from Mr. Begg.

H. A. S[UART]—1-6-13.

Failing the Marine Villa site, the one suggested by His Excellency is above the most suitable.

P. S. S[IVASWAMI AYYAR]—17-6-13.

I agree with His Excellency.

J. N. A[TKINSON]—18-6-13.

Draft an order settling the question of the site, so that arrangements may be set on foot for moving the Board's motor-garage and tiffin rooms elsewhere and providing another site for its laboratory (Public Works Department has now a plan for putting them all between the Board's office and the canal). Ask the Registrar for more particulars of the University's needs in the way of lecture rooms, etc. (page 5, current file). Get the plans Hon'ble Sir H. Stuart wishes for and send his note to Consulting Architect for necessary action.

See also the proposal for research students' quarters in the file about utilization of India's grants to the University.

W. FRANCIS.

Please see page 12 of notes and paragraph 9 of Memorandum No. 1314-3, dated 2nd September 1912, regarding quarters for research students. The Senate's reply did not touch that point.

C. RAMANUJACHARI—20-6-13.

W. FRANCIS—19-6-13.

A draft order and a draft letter to the Government of United Provinces and Punjab for the plans of the University libraries of Allahabad and Lahore are both submitted for approval.

Please clean copy.

W. FRANCIS.

2. Orders sanctioning the transfer of the site to the University should issue in Revenue. The draft order may be sent to that department for acceptance.

W. FRANCIS.

3. An extract from the Hon'ble Sir Harold Stuart's note has been submitted separately for despatch to Public Works Department.

S.K.—20-6-13.

C. RAMANUJA CHARI—20-6-13.

A clean copy of the draft is placed below. It may be sent to the Revenue Department for acceptance. The draft to other Governments for their library plans has been removed for issue.

C. RAMANUJA CHARI—21-6-13.

W. FRANCIS—23-6-13.

To the Revenue Department.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

The whole of the land lying between the Grant Duff Bridge Road and the Wallajah Road is required for the new University library (*vide* plan C. A. No. 33 of 1913). In this plot the University has constructed a tiffin shed for the clerks of its office. It is not known how much of the plot is already in the occupation of the University. The Board of Revenue will be asked for information and for alienation statements on receipt of a copy of the Educational Order.

2. The draft order may be accepted in this department and the file returned to the Educational department.

T.R.1.—25-6-13.

T. E. MOIR.

Educational may be requested to furnish this department with a copy of the notes.

T.S.R.—26-6-13.

3. In its reference on Government R. No. 306, Salt, dated 15th April 1913, the Board of Revenue reported that the preparation of the plans and estimates for the construction of the Board's Excise laboratory was held in abeyance pending the decision of Government on the location of the University library.

It has now been decided to build the University library on the land immediately to the west of the Senate House and between that building and the Buckingham canal and that a fresh site in another place should be selected for the Board's laboratory which was proposed to be built there.

On receipt of the orders of the Educational department on this case the Board of Revenue will be asked to select a fresh site for its laboratory and submit plans and estimates therefor.

C.V.R.—26-6-13.

Accepted in Revenue.

T. E. MOIR—27-6-13.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Issue.

W. FRANCIS—1-7-13.

[G.O. No. 622, Educational, dated 1st July 1913.]

G.O., No. 140 Edl., dated 19th February 1913.

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From the Board of Rev., L.R., No. Mis. 2701, d/20-7-13.

From the Registrar of ^{the} University, No. 289, d/22-1-13.

From the Board of Rev., L.R., No. Mis. 1192, d/19-3-13.

ORDER :- 622 Edl. dated 1-7-13
P.S.

The papers read above relate to the site for the proposed University -- library. The Government consider that it should be built on the land immediately to the west of the Senate House and between that building and the Buckingham Canal. ② The whole of this will be -- wanted for the library and its appurtenances and places elsewhere ^{will need to} should be found for the tiffin rooms, motor garage etc., which now stand there. A fresh site in another place must also be selected for the Revenue Board's laboratory which was ~~proposed~~ proposed to be built there. Orders sanctioning the alienation of the above piece of ground to the University will issue in the Revenue -- Department.

3. The design of the library building will be separately considered. Its chief frontage should be to the Wallajah road and room should be left for extensions to the northward. The Syndicate is requested to furnish Government with full particulars of the University's -- needs in the way of lecture rooms etc., to

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to be attached to the building.

NF-22/6

(with copy of notes)

To the Registrar, of the University. (9/10)

„ the Board of Revenue, Land Revenue.

„ the Revenue Department.

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