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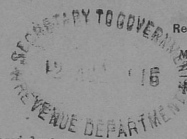
DATED 27-9-15

[Despatch Abstract.]

Government Training School for Masters,
Coimbatore.— Recording notes
Connected with the question
of the selection of a site for the—

D.O.No. 125

Board of Revenue,

Rev. Sett, Survey, L. Rds. and Agriculture,
MADRAS, 10th August 1915.

My dear Davidson,

Please see G.O. 1152 Educational,
dated 9th October 1914 on the subject of the Training
School for Masters to be built at Coimbatore.

Stone wrote to R.C.Wood saying that a
site was contemplated which would enable the Training
School and Agricultural college to be of use to one
another. Chadwick objected to the site proposed. It
seems now that the site Committee has selected a site
for the training College. No intimation has been sent
to me to enable me to raise any objection, I might wish
to raise to any site selected, nor has any further
communication on site selection been sent to Chadwick.
If the site is in the ^{near} ~~new~~ vicinity of the Agricultural
College, I think Chadwick and I ought to have been
given an opportunity of having a say in the matter.
I shall be much obliged if I may be informed what site
has been selected-with a plan- and how far proposals

Please see page 3 of note
to G.O. 115252 (H) The file
was forwarded to the
Board of Rev for remarks.
Please also see page
4 & 5 of the note to the G.O.
which contain the Board's
reply.

have materialized and allowed an opportunity of raising any criticisms which may be found necessary.

I suppose I am correct in addressing you with a view to your communicating with the Educational Department, instead of writing direct to Educational Department.

Yours sincerely,

h. Duckrey
11.8.15.

To

The Hon'ble Mr. L. Davidson, C.S.I., I.C.S.,
Secretary to Government, Revenue Deptt.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.
REVENUE - E
CURRENT No. 1764

Sectt. II-8-13,002-4-13.

From The Hon Mr. Buckley, I.C.S. 1-2.

Received 12.8.1915 Registered 12.8.1915.

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To Undersecretary

Please see M^r. Buckley's

D.O. at page 1 above.

In his letter of 31-3-14 the D.P.I. reported that a site for the Govt. Training School for masters had been selected near the Agricultural and Forest Colleges, Coimbatore, and suggested that, as opportunity might be taken to open a class for training of elementary teachers in Agriculture, the plans ^{of the School} might be ordered to be so designed as to suit the requirements of the Agricultural class also. The file was sent, w.o. for remarks to the Board of Rev. which in turn sent the file to the Director of Agriculture. No criticisms were offered by the Board of Rev. and the Director of Agriculture in regard to the site but remarks were offered on the suggestion of opening a class for teaching 'Agriculture'. The Govt. approved the proposal of the D.P.I. and called for plans and estimates.

M^r. Buckley now complains that the Director of Agriculture is opposed to the site selected and states that he and the Director of Agriculture should be given an opportunity of having a say in the matter. The Educational Department

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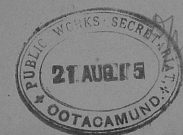
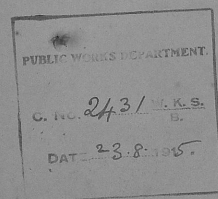
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Educational Department.

A draft memorandum to the D.P.D asking for ~~the~~ information particulars required by Mr. Buckley is submitted for approval. Before it issues, the file may be forwarded us. to H.W.D. to verify whether no definite proposals for acquisition have yet been received.

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P. W. D. u. o.

(Taken back from P. W. D. - 25/8/15)

[A conference is to be held on 26.8.15 at 10.30 A.M. in the Leg's room to discuss the question of silk. Notable names Gillman, Buckley and Dineen & Mr. Chadwick have been invited to attend].

(Duplicate
Copies of the note were
circulated to members
of the Conference)

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5-1-14

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

The following note on the history of the question
was prepared for the use of the Conference:-

With the opening of the Agricultural College
in the vicinity of Coimbatore, a demand arose for
the provision of educational facilities for the
children of clerks, servants and labourers etc.
employed therein. A start was made by opening a
school as a temporary measure under the management
of a school committee consisting of members of the
staff of the Agricultural College and Research
Institute with the Principal as its President.
The prospect of establishing the Forest College
in the neighbourhood led to the necessity of
considering the question of permanently locating
this school. In connection with the proposals
for the construction of certain public buildings
to serve the convenience of the two colleges,
Mr. Lodge, the Conservator of Forests, Western
Circle, proposed the acquisition of a site
measuring about 17½ acres, lying to the west of
and adjoining the Thadagam road and north of
and adjoining the Lawley road and situated
approximately equidistant from both the colleges.

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According to his proposals a portion of this site was to be allotted for this school. The Director of Agriculture (Mr. Sampson), who was consulted in the matter by the Board, accepted Mr. Lodge's proposals and submitted further recommendations for the development of the school in the following words:--

"Such a school located at these two colleges would form a unique opportunity for founding a model primary school and might prove of great value to the training school in Coimbatore as the pupils would have every opportunity for mature study both from their environments and home up-bringing".

He also observed that as the site proposed for the school would command the approach of both the colleges, it would be essential that the building erected thereon should conform to a general architectural design. It

In regard to the site, however, he suggested whether, in view of a possible objection of a natural drain passing through it, an alternative land on the other side of the road opposite to the site mentioned above might not be acquired. The Board of Revenue (Settlement Department) agreed with the Director.

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The Government thereupon called for the opinion of the Medical and the Public Works Departments on the suitability of the site proposed by Mr. Lodge from the sanitary and engineering points of view. The site-committee called for by the Collector generally accepted Mr. Lodge's site. The Board of Revenue (Settlement Department) - the Honourable Mr. Butterworth - recommended, however, on the score of economy, the appropriation for these common buildings a part of the land already acquired for the Forest College; and as regards the school itself, it was of opinion that if a large training school was to be built, more land was likely to be required than the Forest College could afford and that in that case it might be necessary to acquire the alternative land suggested by Mr. Sampson. It was also added that a better site for the school would be about a quarter of a mile nearer to Coimbatore on the west of the road, at the place where the back road to the Agricultural College joined the main road. The Board at the same time called

for a report from the Director of Agriculture on the alternative plan of maintaining a separate school for the children of employees, instead of sending them over to the model school attached to the training school. The Director of Agriculture (Mr. Chadwick) preferred the site proposed by Mr. Butterworth to the one proposed by Mr. Lodge (north of the Lawley Road and between the farm and the main road) and welcomed the idea of establishing "a Government school with Government teachers or still better a "training college with model school attached", as the teaching then was likely to be much better. The Board (Land Revenue, Forests) - the Hon'ble Mr. Horne - agreed, however, with Mr. Lodge that no portion of the land taken up for the Forest College could be spared for any of the auxiliary buildings proposed and accordingly reverted to the original proposals made by Mr. Lodge of acquiring the triangular plot between the colleges. It also disapproved of the site selected by the Settlement Commissioner for the school

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on the grounds that that institution should be where other auxiliary buildings were and should be nearer the colleges.

In the meanwhile, the school under private management was converted into a Board school and the Director of Public Instruction also developed the idea of locating the training school in the vicinity of the two colleges. He was confirmed in this idea

(i) by his desire to take the training school outside Coimbatore in order to avoid the constant interference ~~of~~ the working of the school by the outbreaks of plague,

(ii) by his inability to acquire other sites, and (iii) by his desire to utilize the colleges for providing facilities for giving teachers under training, instruction in nature study.

As, however, his proposals in this regard were not mature, the consideration of the question of acquiring a site for the school was deferred, while the acquisition of a portion of the land suggested by Mr. Lodge for locating other common

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for a report from the Director of Public Instruction on the alternative plan of maintaining a separate school for the children of employees instead of sending them over to the model school attached to the training school. The Director of Agriculture (Mr. Oberholser) preferred the site proposed by Mr. Oberholser to the one proposed by Mr. Lodge (north of the railway road and between the farm and the main road) and rejected the idea of establishing "a Government school with Government teachers or still better a training college with model school attached" as the teaching then was likely to be much better. The Board (Land Revenue, Revenue, and the Hon'ble Mr. Home) agreed, however, with Mr. Lodge that no portion of the land taken up for the training college could be spared for any of the existing buildings proposed and accordingly reverted to the original proposal made by Mr. Lodge of acquiring the training site between the colleges. It was also approved of the site suggested by Mr. Lodge for locating other common

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buildings was approved.--G.O.55 Revenue, dated 5th January 1914.

Three months later, the Director of Public Instruction submitted for orders the question of providing accommodation for a special agricultural class to be attached to the Government Training School for Masters at Coimbatore. He also proposed the provision of hostel accommodation for the students and residences for the staff. At the same time he stated that to give effect to this proposal, a site in the vicinity of the colleges had been selected and approved by the site committee and that the Collector had been requested to take steps for its acquisition.

The scope of instruction to be given in this class was, however, a matter of considerable discussion. The Director of Agriculture and the Board of Revenue (Settlement Department) were consulted u.o. in the matter. Mr. Chadwick laid down what should be the legitimate aims of such a class and recommended a joint committee of educational and agricultural officers to

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prepare a report on the point; and as regards the point at issue, no specific remarks on the statement made by the Director of Public Instruction as to the site of the new training school were offered by him, but he generally stated

"If the immediate question of accommodation is urgently pressing I would submit that it might be wiser to assume we shall be able to help if not immediately at least in the near future."

The Government requested the Director of Public Instruction to have the plans and estimates for the training school with agricultural class prepared and submitted to them for approval.

The committee which was ~~composed~~ composed of Messrs. Sampson and Wood, two Inspectors of Schools and one Assistant ^{Inspector} ~~Director~~ recommended that for the present three trained natural Science L.Ts. should be selected and attached for short periods to suitable institutions, e.g. the Entomological and Botanical sections of the Agricultural Department, the Madras Museum, the Government Fishing Bureau, and that after the completion of this training they should compile

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a tentative scheme and then proceed to teach selected teachers of training schools in a special training class. The ultimate recommendation was apparently to continue this system of training selected officers to teach the teachers of training schools. It was also suggested that the officers of the Agricultural Department might undertake the training of these selected officers, so far as it concerns the Agricultural Department, and to inspect the special training class where the selected officers ^{were} teaching the training school teachers. The committee at the same time stated as their opinion that Coimbatore would be the most suitable place for the establishment of such a training school.

The recommendations as regards the immediate deputation of three selected officers for training was approved in G.O. No. 618 Edl., dated 12th June 1915.

In his D.O. No. 125, dated the 10th August 1915 the Hon'ble Mr. Buckley complains that no intimation has been sent to him or to Mr. Chadwick

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of the selection of a site near the Agricultural College for the location of the training school or of its approval by the site committee; ~~and~~ ^{he} enquires in what stage the proposal for the acquisition of the site is at present and desires that an opportunity be given ~~to~~ him and Mr. Chadwick of having a say in the matter.

No definite information is available in this department as to the stage in which the matter is and it is proposed ^{*} to call for a plan of the site selected from the Director of Public Instruction and to ascertain in advance from the Public Works Department whether any definite proposals for acquisition have been received there.

No definite steps could be taken by the Director of Public Instruction or anybody without the approval of Government to the scheme which the former has in view. It seems, however, to be agreed on all hands that the training school should be located near the Agricultural College. The exact location of the site is the only thing to be considered, and nothing definite seems to have

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yet come up before Government.

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The decision of the Conference was to the following effect:--

The site, being black cotton, is unsuitable. It is undesirable to have three educational institutions under different departments and adjacent to one another. The training school is not necessary for the purposes of either the Forest or Agricultural College and should be located elsewhere.

C.G.T.
26-8-15.

D.P. 9. u.o. for information

15.5.15

U.S. Reply to T-9
22.9.15

As the expenditure of assistance which I have been led by Mr Chadwick to entertain in establishing a somewhat special type of training school at Coimbatore have now been rendered futile I will try for another site.



Col no 2836-2

16.9.15

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Educational Department.

The following D.O. to Mr. Buckley is submitted for approval:-

My dear Buckley,

With reference to your ^{to Bangalore} d. O. of the no. 125, dated the 16th August 1915, regarding the site for the ~~construction of a new~~ building for the Govt. Training School for Masters, Coimbatore, I ^{write} ~~am~~ ^{to} ~~be~~ say that she has accepted the decision of the a/c conference to give up the site selected near the Agricultural College and that he is on the look out for another site.

Yours sincerely

To The Hon. Mr. L. S. Buckley.

24.5.15

2. After the issue of the above, the papers may it is submitted be "recorded" ^{and} approved.
3. Until another site is selected, there appears to be no use in calling for the plans and estimates for the building with reference to G.O. no. 1152 Edl., dated the 9th October 1914.

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