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FROM

THE COLLECTOR OF VIZAGAPATAM.

TO

The Chief Secretary to Government
Educational Department

H.M.

For orders

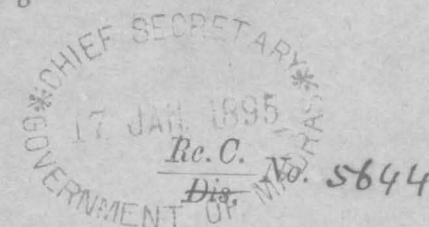
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Subject.

Reporting the amount offered for
the site occupied by the wallah
orphanage which was put to auction
on the 13th ultimo and enquiring
whether it can be made over to the
Railway Department in exchange
for the site occupied by the Spring
for the administrative buildings of
the East Coast Railway.

N^o 7098.

From The Manager,
East Coast Railway.

To The Collector,
Visagapatam District,
Visagapatam.
Dated Waltair, the 20th November 1894.

Sir,
Land - East Coast Railway

With reference to your letter N^o 1935 dated 7th August 1894, and in continuation of my N^o 6196 of the 12th ultimo, I have the honor to enquire whether the site occupied by the Waltair Orphanage, can be made over to the Railway in exchange for the site acquired by Mr. Spring for the administrative buildings of the East Coast Railway.

2. If this suggestion meets with your approval, I shall be prepared to recommend the exchange of land to Government for sanction.

I have " " ,
Signed / A. Burton,
Manager,
E. C. Railway

/ True Copy /

For the Collector.

Enclosure no 1

In letter from the collector of
the Vizagapatam District in
Secretary to Government in
Educational Department Madras

Re. No 5644 of 14-1-95

Subject

Copy of letter from the Manager
East Coast Railway Wallah
to 7098 of 20-11-94.

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R. C. No. 5644
Disposal.

VIZAGAPATAM COLLECTOR'S OFFICE.

Dated 14th January 1895

From

F. D'A. O. WOLFE-MURRAY Esq^r.

Ag. Collector,

Vizagapatam District.

To

The Honorable J. F. Price,

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Educational DEPARTMENT,

MADRAS.

SIR,

Referring to G. O. No. 482 dated 29th June 1894,
I have the honor to state that during my absence in camp the
site occupied by the Wallah orphan Asylum together with
the buildings thereon was put up to auction on the 13th ultimo
by the Chaplain of Vizagapatam subject to my confirmation.
The highest bid then offered was Rs 3500, and Rs 3800 were
subsequently offered and I have an offer now for Rs 5000,
I can get I think more. Even this amount, I consider is
not a fair price as it was originally purchased in 1860 for
Rs 5700.

2. In this connection, I beg to bring to the notice of
Government that the Manager of the East Coast Railway
has asked me for the site referred to being made over to his
Department in exchange for the one acquired by one of his
predecessors in office for the administrative buildings of the
East Coast Railway. The orphan Asylum site being
situation

* vide copy of his
letter enclosed

situated in a more convenient locality than the site acquired by the Railway Department may be no doubt useful for the purposes of that Department. The site which the Railway propose to give up is valued roughly at Rs 3,400 and has had some thousands' worth of foundations laid on it, it might do for the Post office's house for which no land has yet been acquired and which it is proposed to build somewhere in that neighbourhood. If the orphan asylum site is now sold Government will have to acquire it under Act I of 1894, if it be again required, and I am afraid that it will have to pay a much heavier compensation than what the site will now fetch to Government by sale. Government having decided that the sale proceeds of the site and the buildings thereon should be handed over to it, I think the site and the buildings have in other words become the property of Government, and may therefore be made over to the Railway Department as desired by the Engineer-in-Chief. That Department will then have to pay Rs 500 for the Education of the one surviving orphan, Elizabeth Coovers, Government having ordered the same to be paid out of the purchase money realized by the sale of the site vide G.O. No. 482 dated 29th May 1894. I am also about to suggest that a pension of Rs 3.8.0 a month be paid to the old orphanage person who has served for 40 years in that institution and

and has no means of livelihood; for this purpose Rs 200 would be ample. It would perhaps be well to debit the value of the building and the pension pay Rs 5,200 to the Railway Department, and take the Rs 700 in question out of that sum. It will also have to redeem the kattabadi of Rs 28 now paid on the land to the Proprietor of Allepuz Estate who will be allowed a reduction of the sum from the pishchut payable on his estate.

3. The site acquired by Mr. Spring referred to in the Manager's letter consists of acres 60.98 for acres 26.27 of which a compensation of Rs 1742.13.7 has already been paid. The owner of the remaining area has not agreed to receive the amount of compensation awarded viz Rs 1575 and give up the land, and the case has therefore to be referred to the District Court. In the event of the Railway relinquishing the acres 60.98, the acres 34.71 for which compensation has not been paid as yet may be given back to its owner, who will be glad to take it without claiming more profits. The remaining acres 26.27 will be disposed of to the best advantage to Government as suggested above as sites for public officials' offices.

4. I therefore beg to request the favour of early orders on the subject in case the Railway Manager is able to give me a definite answer about the exchange, for he is not yet absolutely certain on the point owing of course to the

the unsettled state of Railway affairs.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

M for Dy. Collector.

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From

the Collector of Vizagapalam

Dated 14 January 1895.

FOR ORDERS.

* This consists of two plots of land viz that for which compensation to the extent of Rs. 1743 has been paid and on which the Railway Administration has already laid immense foundations and (2) that other for which compensation of Rs. 1576 has been offered and refused.

M^r Wolfe Murray proposes that the Walter's orphan Asylum, site buildings &c should be made over to the East Coast Railway in exchange for the site which is now being acquired for the railway administration building. The proposal is decidedly sketchy & the main reason adduced for accepting it apparently is that a site will shortly be required for the Port Officer's quarters; M^r Wolfe Murray affirms that the present railway site would do for this.

2. It is to be observed however that the papers read in Marine G.O. No. 446 of 14 Nov^r 1894 show that the question of supplying Port Officers with quarters ^(throughout the Presidency) has only been generally raised & is not likely to be settled "for some time to come". Besides which there are said to be "some thousands worth of land already laid on the railway site. The land would probably be more or less thrown away, if only a port officer's house is to be built thereon. It is moreover on the account exceedingly improbable

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FOR ORDERS.

Mr Wolfe Murray
proposes that we should allow
the exchange of the
Orphanage site & buildings,
which were bought in 1860 for
Rs 5700 & for which he would
now give more than Rs 5000 for
a site taken up by the Rail-
way & worth Rs 1743 (the
"Monsan di" must have been spent
on foundations which will be of no
use to us) — if the Railway
will pay Rs 500 for Elizabeth Enns,
& Rs 200 for a piece he
thinks on part of the piece
& redeem a Kattabadi of
Rs 28 a year. This would be
obviously a bad bargain
both for the Madras Govt
& the Railway. But Mr Wolfe
Murray thinks it ought to be
accepted (1) because the
railway site may be wanted
for a Post Office in due time
& (2) because the Orphanage
site is much better than
the site already selected by
the Railway. He says nothing
about his statement in June
of 4 that the Railway would

I confess that I do not comprehend
what Mr Wolfe Murray means. I don't
think that he does so himself; apparently
his scheme is that the Railway Dept is to
give the site of land already acquired
for it (cost Rs 1742) + Rs 5200 + compensating
for the Kattabadi & all the money spent
for the foundations on the land originally
acquired by it. This is a piece of the
Rs 4 Dept after the 9 of 4 & is not likely
to be accepted. If the Rs 4 Dept wants the
land why should it not buy it and
sell the piece which it already has?
If as Mr Wolfe Murray alleges, the scheme
of the Railway is worth more than is offered
why should he not hold for the better
price which he says that he believes
that he can get. If the land was worth
Rs 5700 in 1860 it is worth a good
deal more now and will be worth
still more later on. There is no hurry
about the matter. Why should the
money coming from the Railway to Govt
be less than it should be?

I submit that Mr Wolfe Murray has told that
Govt cannot agree to his proposal and
that if he cannot get the price now which
he thinks the land worth he should hold
on for a while.

The other person mentioned is submitted for
consideration: might he not be given
a gratuity in lieu of a pension? This

Sale of Waltair Orphan
Asylum buildings

to say nothing of the
Kattabadi

H. H.

For orders

that the Railway Dept would accept
the proposal to pay Rs 5200 for
the asylum site, in addition to
giving up the railway site now
in possession. This is apparently what
Mr Wolfe Murray expects it to do — a
most unreasonable expectation if I
do not misinterpret his meaning.
If on the other hand he means merely
to exchange the two sites on the under-
standing that the Railway Dept will
pay Rs 700 for Elizabeth Enns &
the pensioned person Govt will only have
26.27 acres of land (the portion already
acquired for the Railway) or land — "to
be disposed of as sites for public
"officials offices" when there is no
certainty that any such sites will
be required. This would be the only
asset to compensate Govt for the
expense of educating those of the
Waltair orphans who have been
taken into other Govt institutions.
3. It is submitted that if my first
interpretation of Mr Wolfe Murray
meaning is correct, the Railway Dept
is certain to refuse to pay the exorbitant
price demanded viz Rs 5200 + the
equivalent of a Kattabadi of Rs 28 + the
value of foundations already laid. If the
second interpretation is correct, or if
it is proposed to deduct from the Rs 5200
the estimated value of the railway site made
over, then the proposal is greatly to the
advantage of Govt & should be summarily
rejected, the Govt being directed to
accept the offer of Rs 5000 or any higher

mission perhaps might be less costly
but the Rs 200 which Mr. H. has before
to accept for it would be exhausted
in less than 5 years. The channels
are shall as the river has narrowed
so long he will live longer than
the 5 years.

It should even if it was decided to
build a house for the Dist Officer
- a scheme which is still in motion
- keeps 26 acres of land for
this purpose. That other Mr. H. has
has no more to be stated.

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✗ eager to take up the Orphanage
to its site & convert it into
into offices. Now does he allude
to the large sum (13 + 15) that
we have to pay for the Orphanage
and what Madras Asylum. All
the Railway has offered to do
is to exchange sites & as they
have spent "thousands" in
foundations there it is not likely
they or the S.O. will consent
to give money. On the whole
the S.O. I think the Commr. should be
brought to sell the site for the
best price he can get. The
case of the person deserves
consideration but it should be
separately reported.

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Sale of Waltham Orphan Asylum
buildings

H. M.

From orders

Read 9.0. of 29 June 1894 No 482 Et.

✗ Current No 30 of 1895. of 14 January
from the Colr. of Vizagapatam

Order of 27 Feb '95. No. 87
(Sofar as it is intelligible)

Mr. Wolfe Murray's proposal appears
to be that Govt. should sanction the
exchange of the Orphanage site and
buildings - which were bought in 1860
for Rs 5400 & ^{then} ~~are~~ now a market value
exceeding Rs 5000 - for a site taken
up by the Railway and worth only
Rs 1743 - for the ^{apartments} ~~house~~ that had
been spent on ~~foundations~~ ^{the} ~~the~~
probably be of no use to Govt.
on the understanding that the Railway
should pay Rs 500 in account of
Elizabeth Evans, Rs 200 to persons
a person and a sum sufficient to
redeem a Kattabadi of Rs 28
per annum. - This would obviously
be a bad bargain both for the Govt.
& for the Railway, but Mr. Wolfe
Murray thinks it ought to be accepted
firstly because the present railway
site may be wanted for the post office
house, & secondly because the orphanage
site is much better suited for the
purposes of the railway than that already
in its possession. He makes no
mention whatever of his own previous
statement & that the Railway authorities
were eager to take up the orphanage
& its site & convert the buildings
into offices, nor does he allude
to the large payment that has been

x vide his letter of
10 June 1894 in No. 482
of 29 June 1894
Et.

made by Govt to defray the cost of
educating the orphans transferred to
the Civil orphan, Marlow Madras,
though that is a circumstance which
renders it incumbent on Govt to
dispose of the Waltaire building &
site at the best possible advantage.

2. However so far as appears from the
letter forming an enclosure to Mr.
Wolfe Murray's letter, the Railway
authorities contemplate a mere exchange
of sites, & as they have sunk a
considerable sum of money in
laying foundations, it is not likely
that either they or the Govt of India
would consent to any payment of
money in addition.

3. For these reasons the Govt consider
^{Mr. Collyer}
~~Mr. Wolfe Murray's~~ proposal
to be ~~altogether~~ impracticable. He
^{therefore} sell the site for the best
price ^{that} he can get. - The case of
the fees when he proposes to pension
should form the subject of a separate
communication ~~to Govt~~

(from orders)

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