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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
3rd October 1872.

No. 25. Read the following letter from the Officiating Secretary and Treasurer of the Bank of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 25th September 1872, No. 409 :—

I have the honour, by desire of the Directors of the Bank of Madras, to acknowledge receipt of the Proceedings of Government, Financial Department, No. 1211, dated 14th September 1872, inquiring whether the Directors are willing to relinquish their lien on the site placed at their disposal on the North Beach, in order to admit of the new General Post Office being located there.

2. In reply, I am desired to state that the Directors are unwilling to relinquish the site referred to unless they can be assured of an equally good one elsewhere on the Beach, and I am directed to suggest, for the consideration of Government, whether some arrangement cannot be effected for accommodating the Bank, Post Office, and Telegraph Office in one block of buildings on the Beach.

No. 26. ORDER THEREON, 3rd October 1872, No. 1317.

Ordered that the Directors of the Madras Bank be informed, with reference to their Secretary's letter above recorded, that the only other site on the Beach which the Government have it in their power to offer to the Bank is the southern section of Abercrombie's Battery adjoining the old Bank building. This does not contain the area which the Directors originally asked for and obtained; but, if it will suffice for their purpose, the Government will be prepared to assign it to them at a correspondingly reduced price.

2. The Governor in Council is unable to entertain the suggestion that the Bank, Post Office, and Telegraph Office should be accommodated in one block of buildings on the Beach.

3. Independently of the objections to such an amalgamation there is the fact that no sufficiently large site is available, as it has after much consideration been finally decided that the very heavy cost involved in the proposed transfer of the Commissariat buildings absolutely precludes the assignment of the site of Her Majesty's Granaries for any other purpose.

(True Extract.)

R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

To the Directors of the Bank of Madras.
,, Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce.
,, Military Department.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

Govt. of [1872] Madras

FINANCIAL.

To

THE DIRECTORS OF THE
BANK OF MADRAS,
&c., &c.,

Dated October, 3rd.

Recd. Encl.

G. O., 3rd October 1872, No. 1317.

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Bank of Madras
Madras 25th Septr 1872.

No 409

The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort Saint George.

Sir

I have the honor, by desire of the Directors of the Bank of Madras, to acknowledge receipt of the Proceedings of Government, Financial Department, No 1211, dated 11th Septr. 1872, enquiring whether the Directors are willing to relinquish their lien on the site placed at their disposal on the North Beach, in order to admit of the new General Post Office being located there.

In reply, I am desired to state that the Directors are unwilling to relinquish the site referred to, unless they can be assured of an equally good one elsewhere on the Beach, and I am directed to suggest for the consideration of Government whether some arrangement can not be effected for accommodating the Bank, Post Office and Telegraph Office in one block of Buildings on the Beach.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant

Hg Secretary Treasurer

Financial Department. 7A

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I have &c.

(signed) J. A.

The Directors of the Bank of Madras.
Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce
Military Department.

Govt. of {1872} Madras.

Financial

To

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