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Financial DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
22nd October 1873.

No. 174. Read the following letter from J. C. LOCH, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Madras, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 8th October 1873, No. 285 :—

I have the honour to forward, herewith, copy of Proceedings of the Madras Government, and their Order thereon, of the 8th July 1861, No. 982, from the latter of which you will perceive that the Collector of Madras was requested to transfer to the Municipal Commissioners the ground applied for in the first paragraph of their letter, which he accordingly did. I also enclose the original plan submitted to Government at the time, which I shall be obliged by your returning when done with.

2. When inspecting the cemeteries and adjacent pieces of land the other day, which are still the property of the Municipal Commissioners, I observed that a small Roman Catholic Chapel, situated on the plot marked J, stood as it were in a compound of its own, separated from the surrounding land by a hedge. On inquiring by what authority this enclosure had been made, I was referred to Bishop Fennelly, and by him informed that the land, measuring 150 by 120 feet, had been made over to the Chapel by an Order of Government of the 30th March 1871, No. 586.

3. As Government no doubt passed this Order in forgetfulness of their previous one already referred to in the first paragraph of this letter, I am to request, on behalf of the Commissioners, that you will be good enough to lay the matter before the Right Honourable the Governor in Council, with the expression of their hope that the Collector may be informed that all the vacant land surrounding the burial-grounds, as delineated on the plan now forwarded, are the property of the Municipality.

4. With regard to the piece of land made over to the Chapel, the Commissioners do not desire, under the circumstances, to set up any claim to it, but they would suggest, for the consideration of Government, whether it ought not to be conveyed by them to the Bishop rather than by Government.

No. 175. ORDER THEREON, 22nd October 1873, No. 1528.

The Governor in Council observes that the transfer of the site of the Roman Catholic Chapel in 1871 was made on the recommendation of the Collector of Madras, whose appointment had been constituted since the original grant of the land to the Municipality in 1861, and who was probably ignorant of the former orders. The present correspondence will be communicated to him, and the President of the Municipal Commission will be good enough to give the Collector an opportunity of inspecting the map.

2. The Government do not object to the Municipality confirming the grant made to the Roman Catholic Bishop of the Chapel site, but cannot allow the grant to be interfered with. The Municipality should have taken steps, when the grant was made to them, to have the necessary change made in the Collector's registers,

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which precaution would have obviated the mistake that has occurred. Judging from the plan, the Roman Catholic Chapel must have been in existence when the application of 1861 was made.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Madras, with the plan.
,, Collector of Madras.
,, Revenue Department.
,, Right Rev. Dr. S. Fennelly.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

Govt. of {1873} Madras.

FINANCIAL.

To

THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION, *Madras,*
&c., &c.

Dated October, 22nd.

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 22nd October 1873, No. 1528.

OCTOBER.
Nos. 174-175.

Madras Municipality.—Orders passed with respect to a piece of ground at Washermanpettah, which in 1861 was made over to the Municipality, and subsequently in 1871 granted to the Right Rev. Dr. Fennelly.

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Public Department.

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Read the following letter from the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Madras; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 27th June 1861.

We have the honor with reference to the

From Government		12th April 1860,	No.	523.
To	do.	30th	do.	
From	do.	16th June 1860.	"	881.
"	do.	29th do	"	949.
To	do.	13th August 1860.		
From	do.	18th do	"	1223.
To	do.	24th Decr. 1860		
From	do.	26th do	"	1882.

*Requested to be returned.

Correspondence marginally noted, to submit a plan* of the ground at Washermanpettah on which the Native Veteran Lines formerly stood, showing the manner in which we propose to allot the same as Cemeteries for the Christian and Mahomedan inhabitants of Black Town and the Northern Suburbs, and to solicit the sanction of His Excellency the Governor in Council for the transfer of the said ground to this Department.

2 The portions of said ground marked A to K in the plan we propose selling for the purpose of defraying the expense of forming the roadway to and around the Cemeteries, constructing Cross drains &c, &c.

3 We have further to request that orders may be issued to the Medical Officer of the 1st District to inspect and report upon the whole of the Burial grounds at present existing within the walls of Black Town and in the 7th Police Division, in view to their being permanently closed

(Signed) J.C. Bell, President.
(") B. Cardozo,
(") S. Jesudasen Pillay
Municipal Commissioners
for the Town of Madras.

(Order thereon)

Order thereon. 8th July 1861, № 982.

The Collector of Madras, to whom such of the papers noted in the margin of the foregoing letter as have not been communicated will now be sent, will be requested to transfer to the Municipal Commissioners the ground applied for in the first paragraph of that letter.

2. The Principal Inspector General, Medical Department, will call upon the Surgeon of the 1st District to report upon the Burial Grounds alluded to in the concluding paragraph of the letter above recorded.

(True Extract)

(Signed) F. Pycroft

Chief Secretary

To the Collector of Madras, with Proceedings 949-1223.
and 1882 of 1860, and a Plan.
To the Principal Inspector General, Medical Department
" . Municipal Commissioners.-

(True Copy)

J. Lord.

President

Municipal Commission

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Mr. Lord
Pres. M.C.

Rd 22nd Oct. 73 Ans. 174-175

№ 285. Municipal Exc. Engineer's Office
Madras 8th October 1873.

From J. C. Loch Esqre.
President. Municipal Commission
Madras

To The Honorable F. Hudleston
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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servt.
John Cock
President
Municipal Commissioners

W.C.

Extract commund 22nd October 1873
No 1528

Respt. observes that the Trustees of the site of the R.C. chapel in Vepery was undertaken by the recommendation of the Govt. of Madras. Those appts. had been constituted since the orig. grant of the land to the Municipality in 1871. Trustees probably ignorant of the proceedings. The present correspondence will be communicated to him. & the Govt. will be good enough to give to Govt. an opportunity of inspecting the Map. Respt. does not object to the Municipality confirming the grant made to the R.C. Bishop of the chapel site. but cannot allow the grant to be in perpetuity. The Municipality should have taken steps when the grant was made to them to have the necessary changes made in the Govt. registers. As precautions should have obviated the mistake that has occurred. Judging from the plan the R.C. chapel appears to have been in existence when the application was made

The P. W. C. Madras
with the Plan
Collector of Madras
Revenue Department
Right Rev. the Bishop of Jamestown

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Financial Department

From

The President of the
Municipal Council
Commissioner

Dated 8th
Rec'd 10th October 1873

No 285.

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R. Lachlan.

Request that as soon
no doubt in gratefulness
of their services under No. 90
8th June 1861, transferring to
Municipality a plot of ground
at Washermanpettah, part
another making over a portion
of the ground to the R.C. Ch
the matter may be laid
before Govt with the Expend
of the Lease of the Municipal Commissioners
that the Collector may be requested
that all the vacant land
surrounding the burial
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With enclosures

Govt. of {1873} Madras.

Financial

To

The Pres.t Rem.l Comm.r

Madras.

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Dated Oct.r 22.

Read.

Encl.

G. O. 22 Oct.r, 1873, No. 1528.

Nos. 174-175.

Madras Rem.y. Pet.rs address with respect to a piece of ground at Washermanpettah which ~~in 1861 granted by the Pt. Revd Dr. Farnell~~ in 1861 was made over to the Rem.y & subsequently in 1871 granted to the Pt. Revd Dr. Farnell.