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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,*
*5th October* 1874.

No. 17. Read the following letter from A. MACGREGOR, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Cannanore, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Calicut, 26th September 1874, No. 10 :—

I have the honor to inform you that, at a meeting lately held, the Cannanore Commissioners passed the following Resolution :—

"(2.) Read Minute from the President on the subject of the proposed erection of a slaughter-house close to the salt gollah by the military authorities.

"Resolved that the site, owing to its proximity to the town and European Barracks and its marshy character, is unsuitable, and that, in the opinion of the Commissioners, the best site is between the Powder Magazine and the Thavakarei paddy flat."

2. Dr. Johnston, the Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals, has since visited Cannanore, and, having, in company with the Civil Surgeon, inspected the site proposed by the Commissioners, writes as follows :—

"In the Annual Inspection Reports submitted by the undersigned to the Surgeon-General, notably in that of January of the current year, amongst other removable sanitary defects, pro-minence was given to, and objection was taken against, the locality used for the slaughter of cattle used for food. Amongst others, it was shown that this site was in the line of intersection of the south winds which prevail for so many months in the year ; the result being that offensive smells and mephitic exhalations from putrefying animal matter were wafted in the direction of the barracks and station to the injury of the inmates. Without adducing other objections which might be brought against this site, the undersigned would strongly urge that another should be sought, such, in fact, as was shown him this day by the Civil-Surgeon, Surgeon-Major Fletcher, with whom he was associated ; the concurrent opinion being that this site is a very eligible one for a slaughter-house. It is a waste piece of ground on the south-east aspect of the station, and is bounded on the west by the cemetery, and has a patch of paddy ground extending from west to east ; the southern aspect being open in the direction of the Powder Magazine. The declivitous fall towards the paddy-fields secures it against the lodgment of sewage and other objectionable fluids, and of these being utilized in rice cultivation."

3. I am not aware how the site on which the Range Officer is about to erect a slaughter-house was chosen. It seems to have been some years ago; and no one, so far as I know, is at present prepared to advocate such a spot.

4. My opinion is very strongly opposed to that site, and, considering that there are two slaughter-houses there now, I have had ample opportunity of forming an opinion. The site is so low that it cannot be drained ; and, in addition to the objections stated by Dr. Johnston as to the prevailing winds, there is the primary objection which attaches to the establishment of any slaughter-house in a crowded locality. It involves the unnecessary importation of sources of contam-ination ; and to neutralize their effect, it is necessary that every day, without fail, every particle of blood, offal, &c., shall be removed to a distance before it has begun to decompose.

5. The spot fixed by the Commissioners, and approved of both by the Local Surgeon and by the Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals, is so situated that meat can be easily carried to the town, the cantonment, and the camp bazaar, while sources of discomfort will be reduced to a minimum.

6. I suggest, therefore, that orders be issued in the Public Works Depart-ment to select the site chosen by the Commissioners.

7. It is understood that the building is intended to be made over for the use of the Government Meat Contractors for the time being; hence its erection does not devolve on the Commission.

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No. 18. ORDER THEREON, 5th October 1874, No. 1672.

Transferred to the Public Works Department for the issue of the necessary orders.

2. The Government do not understand how any steps, however preliminary, should have been taken towards the erection of a slaughter-house without the Municipality having been consulted in the first instance.

(True Extract.)

D. F. CARMICHAEL,
*Acting Chief Secretary.*

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Cannanore.
,, Public Works Department.
,, Military Department.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

President's Office.

No. 10 Cuttack 26th Septr 1874

From

A. Mac Gregor Esqre

President, Municipal Commission

Cannanore.

To

The Honorable D. D. Carmichael

Acting Chief Secretary to Government

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2. Dr Johnstone the Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals

Govt. of 1874 Madras.

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To

THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION,
Cannanore,

&c., &c., &c

Dated October, 5th.

Rcd.

G.O., 5th October 1874, No. 1672.

OCTOBER.
Nos. 17-18.

*Cannanore Municipality.*—Letter from the President suggesting, on sanitary grounds, a change of site for the slaughter-house about to be erected by the Public Works Department, transferred to that Department for the issue of the necessary orders, with the remark that the Government do not understand how any steps should have been taken towards the erection of a slaughter-house without the Municipality having been consulted in the first instance.

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4. My opinion is very strongly opposed to that site, and considering that there are two slaughter houses there now, I have had ample opportunity of forming an opinion. The site is so low that it cannot be drained; and in addition to the objections stated by Dr. Johnston as to the prevailing winds, there is the primary objection which attaches to the establishment of any slaughter house in a crowded locality. It involves

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not devolve on the Commission.

I have the honor, to be,
Sir
Your most obedient Servant

A Crawford
President

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From

The President

Inund: Commission

Lamanoe.

To

The Ag[t] Chief Secretary

to Govt.

No 2017 Cola[a] annexed

dd 26th Sept[r]

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No 10

Suggesting that orders be issued in the Public Works Department to select the Site chosen by the Commissioners for the erection of an Slaughter house.

With [illegible]

Charles McC. Lamanoe
P.W. Depart
Mil. Depart

Cal[a] 1874

Cal[a] 5th Oct[r] 1874

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I have received your letter No 2017 of the 26th ultimo, and in reply to state that I have no objection to the Site chosen by the Commissioners for the erection of a Slaughter house in the Suburbs of Howrah, as mentioned in your letter under reply.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
[illegible]
Secretary to the Municipality.

To
The Secretary to Govt.
Bengal.

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Govt. of {1874} Madras.

Financial.

To
The Pres.t Mun.l Comm.r
Cannanore.

&c

G. O. Oct. 5. , 1874, No. 1672.

Nos. 17. 18.

Cannanore Munty. Letter from the Pres.t suggesting, on Sanitary grounds a change of site for the Slaughter-house about to be erected by the P. W. D. transferred to that Dept. for the issue of the necessary orders with the remark that the Govt. do not understand how any steps Sh.d have been taken towards the erection of a Slaughter-house without the Munty having been consulted in the first instance.