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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 775

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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 7th July 1857.

No. 63. Read the following letter from J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector of Prisons; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Palamanair, 26th June 1857.

SIR,

I have the honor to request, that you will inform me whether the Government have any plan for disposing of the Fort at Paulghaut. I have never looked at it with the idea of using it as a Prison, but it might be convenient to have it as such, when deserted by the Military.

2. The station is next to Coimbatore, the most central in the country, it is not unhealthy, and judging from the case of the Moplas who are well fed and who do not go out to labor, I suspect the causes which have hitherto induced mortality among them, when absent from home, are remediable.

3. I dislike the idea of multiplying stations, as it must induce expense, but I do not know what to do for gaol accommodation.

4. I beg to be understood as not pledging myself to the use of the fort, it would save but little more than outer walls if permanently occupied.

(Signed) J. ROHDE,
Inspector of Prisons.

No. 64. ORDER THEREON, No. 775; dated 6th July 1857.

In this letter, Mr. Rohde enquires whether the Government have any plan for disposing of the Fort at Palghaut. It might be convenient, he states, to have it for a Prison, when deserted by the Military.

2. The Governor in Council has not had before him any plan for the disposal of this Fort. Mr. Rohde is at liberty to survey it, and Government will be prepared to consider favorably any proposal he may ultimately make for its conversion into a Jail, should there be no objection. The whole of the Forts under this Presidency were reported on in 1847, and the orders of Government passed on the subject in Extract Minutes Consultation, Military Department, No. 3119, dated 19th June, in that year. In these orders the Fort under notice is one of those the Military Board were directed to preserve, by causing the masonry to be kept free from vegetation.

(Signed) E. MALTBY,
Acting Chief Secretary.

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Ext. Min. Cons. dated 6th July 1857

Recd the following letters } here entered 26th June/57.
from the Inspector of Prisons

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In his letter Mr. Robt enquires whether the Govt have any plans for disposing of the Fort at Palybant. It might be convenient, he states, to have it for a Prison, where directed by the Military.

2. The G. in C. has not said before him any plan for the disposal of his Fort. Mr. Robt is at liberty to survey it, & Govt will be prepared to consider favorably any proposal for its conversion into a Jail - should there be no objection. The whole of the Forts under his Presidency were reported on in 1847, and the orders of Govt passed on the subject in G. in C. Military Dept No 3119. dated 19th June in that year. In these orders the Fort under notice is one of those the Military Dept were directed to preserve, by causing the masonry to be kept free from vegetation.

To the Inspector of Prisons }
" Military Dept } Dispd 10th

J.M. D.D. 1-7-57.

Fort at Palykaut

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July 10th Camp July 1837
Arrived 1837 at Palykaut

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At Palykaut.

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