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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 24th August 1858.

No. 7. Read the following letter from Major THOS. THOMPSON, Town Major; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated 11th August 1858, No. 3144.

SIR,

I have the honor, with reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation, under date 17th July last, to forward for submission to Government, the accompanying letter from the Commissioner of Police which I forwarded to the Acting Garrison Engineer for report, as well as that Officer's reply, stating the objections that exist to the Penitentiary being supplied with water from the Fort reservoir, by means of pipes.

From Colonel J. C. BOULDERSON, Commissioner of Police; to the Town Major, Fort St. George, dated 5th August 1858, No. 580.

SIR,

"I have the honor to state that the quantity for each inmate, for culinary and drinking purposes only, should be three gallons per diem. In making such a provision, it is necessary to allow a wide margin for all contingencies and hence although the quantity named may appear large, I believe it will not be found excessive."

With reference to your letter of the 27th Ultimo, I have the honor to annex in margin, Extract of a letter from the Surgeon in charge of the Penitentiary, dated 4th Instant.

The average number of Convicts in the Penitentiary, is about 250 daily, 750 gallons of water will therefore be necessary for the daily consumption.

The water should be supplied by a pipe, from the nearest supply cistern.

The Extract from Minutes of Consultation, which accompanied your letter under reference, is herewith returned as requested.

From Lieutenant H. L. PRENDERGAST, Acting Garrison Engineer; to the Town Major, Fort St. George, dated 9th August 1858, No. 240.

SIR,

In reply to your letter, No. 3092, dated the 6th Instant, I have the honor to inform you that the nearest cistern to the Penitentiary, is that in the Mint Bastion in the Fort, but on account of piercing the rampart, crossing the ditch and glacis, it would be cheaper to run the pipe from the Monument Esplanade, the cost of laying down the pipes would come to Rupees 12,000 at least.

2. The amount of water demanded, is only 750 gallons daily, but when laid on, it would be liable to be used for bathing, washing, and other purposes, to an unlimited extent; and 2 extra Pecottah men on 7 Rupees pay, would have to be entertained at the seven wells.

3. The distance, as the crow flies, is about a mile, and a branch of the Cooum must be crossed; I have not entered on a calculation of this expense, as unless it were a matter of great importance, the project would never be entertained, when clearly laid before Government.

4. The interest of Rupees 12,000 is Rupees 50 per month, at 5 per cent; and this alone, omitting all current charges for the maintenance of a line of pipe, is far more than what will be expended for 3 Puckallies, as originally applied for.

No. 8. ORDER THEREON, No. 1131; dated 18th August 1858.

Ordered to be communicated to the Commissioner of Police in reference to his letter of 7th July 1858. The proposal for supplying the Penitentiary with water by means of pipes is altogether impracticable.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Judicial Department.

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Extract from the minutes of consultation
dated 18th Aug^r /58

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from the Town Major.
(Here enter 11th Aug^r /58 No 3144).

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This is an error
in the plan
to have pipes
from the 7 wells
to the Gaol.

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Town Major } Sept 23rd

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