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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 5th November 1858.

No. 12. Read the following Extract Minutes Consultation in the Military Department, dated 12th October 1858, No. 3688.

Calling upon the Department Public Works, to prepare plans and estimates for erecting a Convalescent Depot for European Soldiers at Jackatallah. The question of an European Prison to be considered in the Judicial Department. } (Vide Military Consultation, 29th October 1858, Nos. 141 and 142.)

No. 13. ORDER THEREON, No. 1524; dated 30th October 1858.

To be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

No. 3688.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, 12*th October* 1858.

Read Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Judicial Department, 15*th September* 1858, *No.* 1257

Read letter from the Quarter Master General, Ootacamund, 24th August 1858, No. 205; to the Military Secretary to the Right Honorable the Governor.

By order of the Commander-in-Chief, I have the honor to enclose for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor, a copy of the Proceedings of a Medical Committee ordered to assemble by His Excellency and report on the sites selected for a Sanatarium and a Gaol;* in conformity with the instruction to that effect verbally communicated by Lord Harris to Sir Patrick Grant.

* *At Jackatallah.*

Proceedings of a Medical Committee assembled at Jackatallah, on Monday the 16th of August 1858, by order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, to report for His Excellency's information, and that of the Right Honorable the Governor, on the suitableness, in a sanitary point of view, of the sites at Jackatallah, selected by Lord Harris and His Excellency, for a Convalescent Depôt and a European Prison.

PRESIDENT.

Surgeon D. Macpherson, M. D., Inspector General of Hospitals.

MEMBERS.

Surgeon B. S. Chimmo 48th Regiment N. I., in Medical charge Convalescent Depôt,
Assistant Surgeon J. Maitland, M. D., Medical Officer, Coonoor.

The Committee having assembled pursuant to instructions conveyed in the Adjutant General's letter, No. 1561, dated Ootacamund, 13th August 1858, the President and Members assisted by Captain J. A. Campbell, 7th Regiment L. C. and Executive Engineer at Jacktallah, who was present, having minutely inspected the proposed site for a Convalescent Depôt, are unanimously of opinion, that it is admirably adapted in every point of view for the purposes required.

The Committee further examine the ground to the north of the proposed site and find there is suitable space to extend the Depôt if necessary, according to the calculations of the Executive Engineer, for 1,000 men in addition to the number now about to be provided for.

The bearings per compass as stated in the margin, the Committee are of opinion, should be planted with Forest trees, so as in some measure to subdue the force of the wind, which at times blow with great violence down the valley.

From East to S. S. W. to N. W. and a hill bearing N. E. about two miles from the selected site.

The Committee therefore proceed to examine the site for a European Prison. The site is well protected, except on the south east; the brow of the hill on that side should, in the opinion of the Committee, be planted with Forest trees.

In the ravine running S. S. E. of the site, from whence the chief water supply for the Prison will be procured, there is a considerable extent of swamp. This requires draining; or it can be formed into a lake by throwing a bund across the ravine. The ravine to the north of the site also requires draining.

With these objections, the site selected for a European Prison is, in a sanitary point of view, a very eligible spot.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) F. A. REID, Colonel,
Quarter Master General.

OOTACAMUND,
19*th August* 1858.

Order.—Ordered to be communicated to the Inspector of Prisons and the Military Department.

(Ture Extract & Copies.)

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

The Governor in Council is fully alive to the importance of providing a Convalescent Depôt for European Soldiers at Jackatallah, and resolves that the Extract Minutes of Consultation above recorded, be communicated to Department Public Works with instructions to prepare in com-

munication with the Quarter Master General, the plans and estimates necessary for carrying the proposed measure into effect.

2. The question of an European Prison will be considered in the Judicial Department.

(True Extract and Copies.)

H. Marshall Esqr
Ag Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General.
„ Director General, Medical Department.
„ Department Public Works.
„ Adjutant General.
„ Judicial Department. With 3 spare Copies

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