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Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, for the month of December 1859.

Read the following papers :—

No. 45. Proceedings of Government in the Public Works Department, (Public,) dated 1st December 1859, No. 2805.

Communicating the 5th paragraph of a letter addressed to the Secretary to the Government of India, in view to the necessary orders being issued in the Judicial Department to the Inspector General of Prisons, for hastening the final selection of the site for the general Penitentiary for Europeans on the Nilgiri Hills. (Vide Proceedings, Public Works Department, from 1st to 10th December 1859, Nos. 15 to 17.)

No. 46. From J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Utakámund, 12th December 1859, No. 546.

In obedience to instructions contained in the Order of Government, 6th October 1859, No. 1370, I have the honor to state that 3 months ago Mr. Fraser the District Engineer and myself selected a very fine site for the European prison about 1 mile in a direct line from Jackatalla on the way to Utakámund, that Dr. Stewart afterwards accompanied me to the site and approved the selection. Dr. Leslie and Dr. Mackay were prevented by professional duties from attending. I have requested their written opinions regarding it.

2. Mr. Fraser was unable to obtain a survey of the ground in Contour not having any Surveyor available; the design necessarily depends on the Contour lines. I am expecting Mr. Fraser and hope to be able to arrange with him.

3. I did not think it desirable to include Rupees 20,000 proposed by Mr. Fraser for clearing the site in this year's budget, as the demand for labor already exceeds the supply and existing works would be delayed by any fresh demand, prices have already risen 25 per cent and I do not think the aggregate of labor has been much increased.

4. I should remark that on the completion of the barracks every thing will be available for the prison.

5. I am preparing a detailed statement of my work and expense at the small prison.

No. 47. ORDER THEREON, 17th December 1859, No. 1681.

The Government will defer passing Orders on the site for the European prison on the Nilgiris, until the Honorable the Governor has had an opportunity of inspecting the locality referred to in the above letter, in the course of his approaching tour.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Carfledge.

Extract from a letter to the Secretary to the Government of India, dated 1st December 1859, No. 2806.

Paragraph 5. On the other matters touched on in the letter under notice, I am directed to reply as follows.

The necessary plans and estimates for the general penitentiary on the Nilgiri Hills were called for long ago. They have not yet been received, the cause of the delay being, apparently, that the site has not yet been determined. Orders will now be issued for hastening the selection of the site and the preparation of the plans and estimates.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from the Officiating Secretary to the Government of India.

Calling for special explanation respecting the departure from the scheme sanctioned by the Home Government for a general Penitentiary for European Convicts on the Nilgiri and suspending the sanction to the present expenditure for a military Prison at Jackatalla. } (Here enter 31st October 1859, No. 7533.)

ORDER THEREON, 1st December 1859, No. 2805.

Ordered in consequence that the following letter be despatched.

To the Secretary to the Government of India.

(Here enter 1st December 1859, No. 2806.)

2. Paragraph 5 thereof will be communicated to the Judicial department whence the necessary orders will be issued to the Inspector General of Prisons for hastening the final selection* of the site for the general Penitentiary for Europeans on the Nilgiri Hills.

* Judicial order 9th April 1857 No. 421.
Do. 4th May 1859 „ 616.
Do. 11th June „ „ 813.

3. As soon as the site shall have been determined, the Chief Engineer will lay before Government the plans† and estimate with as little delay as possible.

† Order 14th September 1857 No. 1745.
18th May 1857 „ 1202.
20th June „ „ 1515.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Judicial Department.
„ Chief Engineer.

Exd. Wm. Thomas.

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Proceedings of the Madras Govt.

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Proceedings in the Pub. Wks. Dept., 1 Dec^r 1859 N^o 2806 ——— Recorded in Pro^s

Letter from the Inspector General of Jails ——— Enter 12 Dec^r 1859 N^o 540.

Order— 17 December 1859— No 1681.

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The Inspector Genl. of Jails—with Pros. No 2806 P.W.D. Dept 21st
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Fort St George
The 5th December 1859.

Read the following letter from the Inspector General of Jails, dated 10th Inst. No 1681.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will bring to the notice of the Government the necessity of selecting a site for the European Prisoners on the Nilgiris, and of commencing the erection of the buildings during the present season.

2. I beg to refer to the correspondence noted in the margin, and to the plans and estimates which accompanied my letter of the 31st July last, for the reasons which induced me to recommend the site on the Dimhatty Hill, and for the details of the buildings proposed to be erected.

3. I have the honor to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

(Signed) [illegible]
Inspector General of Jails.

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