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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 19th April 1859.

No. 9. Read the following letter from J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated 9th April 1859, No. 160.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge Extract from the Minutes of Consultation 7th April 1859, No. 476, referring for my report copy of a letter from the Collector of Coimbatore of the 22nd February, relative to the purchase of the land on which I desired to place the new Prison.

2. The sum of two thousand Rupees demanded for the ground is more than I am disposed to recommend the Government to give. My object was to secure a site nearly level for the building and thus save needless expense in the basement and foundations, as well as to secure a position certainly the most desirable in other respects.

3. There is abundance of ground but none comparatively level available, unless I had selected the highest part of the hill immediately to the south of the Court House (present Jail) this position besides being bleak is at a great distance from water which could not be obtained at such an elevation from a well unless it were of great depth.

4. I am averse to the Ootacamund practice of forming a level site by excavating in the cold clay. I can however find one site which though not possessing all the advantages of that I selected will yet answer my purpose.

No. 10. ORDER THEREON, No. 509; dated 14th April 1859.

The Government will leave it to Mr. Rohde to build the Ootacamund Jail on the site indicated in the concluding para. of the above letter.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No 509

The first will leave it to Mr.
Rohde to build the octagonal
sail on the site indicated
in the concluding part of the
above letter. J.P.

To George?
14 April 1839.

To the Inspector of Mills
Revenue Dept. with other returns } Sep. 2 1839