

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government Judicial Department,
2nd February 1861.*

No. 9. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Public Works Department,
dated 28th January 1861, No. 189.

*Communicating the Proceedings of Government
in the Public Works Department on Govern-
ment Order, No. 89 of the 12th January 1861,
in the Judicial Department, communicating
the Report of the Inspector of Prisons on his
late visit to the new Jail at Salem.* } (Vide Proceedings Public Works Department,
dated 28th January 1861, No. 377.)

No. 10. ORDER THEREON, 2nd February 1861, No. 138.

Communicated to the Inspector General of Jails.

2. His Honor in Council notices the neglect of the Subordinate
Paragraph 16 of the Report. Judge of Salem to visit the Jail—and quite agrees with Mr. Rohde
that frequent visits by him, as the Officer in charge of the Jail,
are very necessary.

(Signed). T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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Mr. Rhodes's Report, 21"
& 22" Dec^r '60, on the
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Para 16— The Visitors Book did not
contain any late visits of
the Sub-Judge. I however,
found that one late visit
had been omitted. More
frequent visits are, however,
necessary.

Remarks by the Honble
the Governor on the draft
order in the Pub. Wks. Dept.

The neglect of the Sub-Judge
to visit the Jail — para 16 —
should be noticed.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Dated 28th January 1861, No. 189.

Read again Proceedings of Government in the Judicial Department, communicating the Report of the Inspector of Prisons on his late visit to the new Jail at Salem, dated 9th and recorded in Proceedings of the 12th January 1861, No. 89.

1. This report has already been communicated to the Chief Engineer and his attention called to paragraphs 21 to 24; but the Government wish to add a few remarks.

2. The Chief Engineer will issue such orders as he may consider suitable, respecting the mode of building the outer wall noticed in paragraph 19.

3. The Government much regret to find that notwithstanding the very costly style of construction adopted by the District Engineer, which has already received their strong disapproval, the work after all fails in some essential points. The arches of the cells are stated (paragraph 22) to be very badly laid, and it appears from paragraph 20 that they leak. The Chief Engineer will consider the propriety of adopting the means suggested by Mr. Rohde in the last quoted paragraph, or some other means, to remedy this serious defect.

4. The bricks also, though so much lauded by Captain Gahagan, are declared (paragraph 21) to have already begun to decay; and the Government have learnt that it has been found necessary to take out some bricks from the wall from this cause, and put in others in their place. Thus, notwithstanding the expensive style of external finish adopted by the District Engineer, it seems not unlikely that it will after all be necessary to plaster the whole of the walls where exposed to the weather.

5. The Government fully concur with Mr. Rohde in condemning the useless expense which Captain Gahagan, in utter disregard of his own estimate, is incurring on the ornamental finish of the railings (paragraph 23). The Chief Engineer will direct him at once to abandon that style of work, and to finish all the remainder of the railings in the plain and inexpensive method indicated by Mr. Rohde.

6. But the part of the report to which the Government desire specially to call the attention of the Chief Engineer is paragraph 27. In their order of November 23rd 1860, No. 2,292, the Government approved of Colonel Horsley's resolution that all standard plans of buildings should be accompanied by standard specifications. But this requisition should by no means be confined to such buildings, and it escaped notice when the order was passed that it was so restricted. The Governor in Council now directs that it be made a rule in the Department, to be invariably insisted on, that every estimate for masonry work shall be accompanied by a specification, describing exactly the materials and the style of construction of the work and of every distinct part of it, with the reasons where anything unusual is proposed. When the estimate is examined at the Central Office, the terms of the specification will of course be carefully examined with it; and any fault in the latter, either on the side of too costly or too niggardly a style of work, will be rectified, and the estimate be corrected accordingly. Thus the very unsatisfactory proceedings which have attended the erection of the Salem Jail, will be rendered impossible.

(True Extract.)

A. M. M. M.

Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Engineer.
Judicial Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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