

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
1st October 1862.*

No. 3. Read the following letter from J. W. CHERRY, Esq., Civil Judge of Salem; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 19th September 1862, No. 10.

Adverting to the Orders of Government, 29th August 1862, No. 1,405, and 8th September, No. 1,460, requesting me to furnish the information called for in paragraph 1 of the Order of the 19th May, No. 803.

2. I have the honor to state that the question asked by the Government as to whether the building required by the Post Master General, and which, it is stated by him, is the one marked A in the Plan he submitted, "can be conveniently spared with reference to the general plan sanctioned in the Proceedings of Government, under date the 26th April last," was referred by me to the Committee therein appointed, consisting of the Collector, District Engineer and myself.

3. I am directed to say, that this Committee is of opinion that it will materially interfere with the disposal of the Judicial buildings and land which the Committee have in contemplation, and that should the Government be disposed to make over the building and ground marked A to the Post Office Department, the sale of the rest of the buildings and land will be much depreciated, and the general scheme of plots for building with a good wide street running the length of the ground, will have to be altogether abandoned.

4. Besides, it is necessary to remind the Government, that the sale of this very land, with these buildings was always looked upon, as a set off to the expenses of the new Jail and Court Houses, and any diversion of the most important portion of them, for the use of another Department, will cause so much less to be carried to the proceeds of the sale of old Judicial buildings.

5. It occurred to the Committee that should the Postal Department still consider the occupation of the building marked A absolutely necessary, the better plan would be for them to purchase the same at Auction, and get the requisite sanction for the money—thus each head of account, in the respective Departments, would be properly debited and credited.

6. The Committee in conclusion is of opinion that the present building and ground marked C is ample for the requirements of the Salem Post Office Establishment, consisting as it does of only a Deputy Post Master, and 2 or 3 Clerks, and that the ground around it will admit of any additions that may be wanted; both building and ground can be moreover conveniently spared with reference to the general plan in view, but it will rest with the Government to decide as to whether the same should be made over as a gift to the Postal Department, or whether they should be valued and sold, as it is proposed to do, with the rest of the old Judicial buildings.

7. As a guide it may be as well to mention that the superficial area hitherto in use for years by the Salem Post Office was a room in the Taluq Cutcherry of 294 square feet; that the building now allotted to them marked C is in good order and, *independent* of the ground, contains 874 square feet, and the superficial area of the building and ground applied for at present amounts to 10,287 square feet.

8. I beg to return the 2 Plans.

No. 4. ORDER THEREON, 1st October 1862, No. 1,617.

The building marked A in the plan of the old Judicial buildings at Salem cannot be given up for a Post Office, as such an appropriation of it would interfere with the arrangements which have been sanctioned by Government, under date 26th April last.

2. Those arrangements will now be carried out. The building now used for a Post Office and the ground around it may, however, be given up permanently to the Postal Department if they are willing to take it, but it will not be necessary that it should be valued and purchased by the Department.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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Judicial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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to the Civil Judge } H. E. 19th Sept 1862-
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To the Civil Judge of Salem
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*Respecting a
Building required
for the U.S. Office at
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*Further
Dated 11th Dec^r 1862*

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