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Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, 26th April 1862.

No. 216. Read the following letter from H. A. BRETT, Esq., Collector of Salem; to the Honorable T. PYCROFT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Salem, 28th March 1862, No. 25.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Government Proceedings, dated the 14th February 1862, No. 227, forwarding copy of a letter addressed to Government by the Civil and Session Judge of Salem, dated the 8th of February 1862, No. 1, relative to the Judicial buildings lately occupied as Court Houses, Jail, and Jail Hospital, in the town of Salem, and requesting me to report what I would propose to do with the buildings in question.

2. In reply, I beg to recommend that two or three of the buildings* be offered for sale separately, with a suitable extent of ground connected with each; and that the rest of the ground be divided into building lots sufficiently large either for superior Native houses, or for houses suitable for East Indians or Europeans.

* Viz., The building known as Aufrère's house, and the building facing the Tahsildar's Cutcherry.

3. It is not desirable that the ground should be covered with Native houses; but, on the other hand, if care is not taken in making out the building allotments, it is probable that the land will fall into the hands of purchasers who would wish to use it for only small Native houses.

4. I would suggest that the details should be managed, as suggested by Mr. Cherry, by a Committee consisting of the Judge, the District Engineer, and the Collector.

5. If two of the buildings now standing can be preserved, and sufficient ground be allowed to each to prevent any other persons building too near, there will be some guarantee against the ground being covered with small buildings only. I suppose that these buildings might fetch a good price as private residences for East Indians of the higher class.

6. The remaining buildings should be sold for the value of the materials, preparatory to the lands being marked out for building purposes.

7. The above plan has reference only to the ground occupied by the premises known as the old Court Houses and the Jail. With regard to the land occupied by the Jail Hospital, I beg to recommend that this ground and the building standing on it be made over to the Collector.

8. My object in applying for this building is to obtain additional room for the Collector's records, and the two Deputy Collectors now attached to my Office; for of late years the demand for room in the Collector's Cutcherry has been greatly increased first, by the removal of the Collector's own Office Establishment from Ussur to Salem; and 2ndly, by his having to provide space sufficient for two Deputy Collectors, and the new printing Establishment. The time therefore has arrived when, if I could not obtain additional space in the accidental way proposed, it would be necessary for me to apply for leave to enlarge the present Office.

9. The Hospital building is very conveniently situated for the Collector's purposes, as it stands on ground contiguous to the Cutcherry compound. It is therefore only necessary to remove a wall in order to bring all the buildings within one enclosure.

10. If the Government should accede to this plan, it would be best to remove the records from the space they now occupy in the main Cutcherry to the Hospital building, and to appropriate the room thus obtained to enlarging the accommodation required for the different Offices.

11. As Mr. Cherry has explained, the old buildings are at present occupied by the Survey Establishment and will be wanted for the use of this Department for some months to come.

No. 217. ORDER THEREON, 26th April 1862, No. 663.

The Government approve the proposals of the Collector, as given in paragraphs 2, 3 and 6 of his letter, and direct that the details be carried out by the Committee of the Collector, the Judge, and the District Engineer.

2. The Jail Hospital and the land attached to it, will, as requested by the Collector, be made over to him to be annexed to his Cutcherry premises.

3. The Inam, Revenue Survey, and Settlement Departments must be allowed to occupy the buildings, as long as they need them, but this will not interfere with the carrying out of the general arrangements.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

Judicial Department.

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