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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, 12th November 1863.

No. 84. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Public Works Department, dated 7th November 1863, No. 3246.

Declining at present to allot any funds for the conversion of the old Jail at Trichinopoly into a Lunatic Asylum, as proposed by the Acting Magistrate of that District. (Vide Proceedings Public Works Department, dated 7th November 1863, Nos. 146 and 147.)

No. 85. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, dated Fort Saint George, 12th November 1863, No. 1760.

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to transmit to you a copy of the correspondence noted in the margin, on the subject of establishing a Provincial Lunatic Asylum at Trichinopoly, and under the circumstances represented in the Acting Magistrate's letter of the 24th ultimo, No. 174, to solicit the sanction of the Government of India for the transfer of the sum of Rupees 2000 from the reserve for Unforeseen Contingencies in F IX, Miscellaneous to the Public Works Budget, in order to meet the advance required for converting the old Jail at that Station into a Lunatic Asylum. It will be seen that it is not possible at present to allot out of the Public Works Budget any funds for the proposed work.

Proceedings, 18th May 1863, Nos. 120 and 121.
" 23rd September 1863, Nos. 207—211.
" 7th November " " 146 and 147.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 7th November 1863.

No. 146. Read the following letter from M. J. WALHOUSE, Esq., Acting Magistrate of Trichinopoly, to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Trichinopoly, 24th October 1863, No. 174:—

SIR,

1. Referring to the orders of Government dated 23rd September 1863, No. 1,539, in which it is presumed that the Civil Hospital at this place could be fitted up as a temporary Lunatic Asylum at a "trifling expense" which I am authorized to incur, I have the honor to represent that from the District Engineer's Estimate of the costs of the alterations, &c., considered indispensable by the Medical Officers, I find it cannot be fitted up under 500 Rupees. Considering that this outlay will be devoted to adapting a building for a mere temporary purpose, and that meanwhile another building is being rented at 50 Rupees a month, so that an unprofitable expenditure of a 1,000 Rupees or more will eventually be incurred; I beg to suggest for the consideration of Government whether Rupees 2,000 might not be at once advanced from the amount sanctioned for converting the old Jail into a Lunatic Asylum. For this sum the District Engineer could within two months prepare two wards for the reception of patients which would answer the temporary purpose as well as the Civil Dispensary building, and would of course remain an integral portion of the completed work.

2. As I propose stopping the conversion of the Civil Dispensary building into a temporary Asylum pending this reference, I beg the favor of an early intimation whether Government approve or otherwise of the above suggestion.

Transferred to the Public Works Department.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 147. ORDER THEREON, 7th November 1863, No. 3,246.

The Government are at present unable to allot any funds for the proposed alterations to the old Jail at Trichinopoly. The Estimate called for in Proceedings* of the Judicial Department, dated 23rd September 1863, No. 1,539, will, if approved of, be sanctioned for entry in the Budget of 1864-65. It will be for the Judicial Department to decide whether under these circumstances the instructions conveyed in the Orders of that Department above quoted, should now be followed by the Collector.

* Public Works Proceedings 1st October 1863, No. 2,852.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Judicial Department.
" Superintending Engineer, 6th Division.
" Collector of Trichinopoly.

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