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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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2. I have visited the site in question in company with Mr. Rohde and have been made acquainted by him with his reasons for its selectio[illegible]ver the whole of the ground in the neighbourhood of Waltair and Vizagapatam.

3. And having given the whole matter the fullest consideration, I would submit my o[illegible] that the proposed site ought not to be taken for the purpose.

4. It is quite possible that the Jail might be maintained there, so as to be free from all objection, and that the prisoners might continue for years free from dangerous disease, and thus, that no injurious consequences might result from their being located in such close proximity to the Troops.

5. But it is also quite possible that the contrary might be the case, it is quite possible, for example, for such a place to become the source of a dangerous outbreak of Cholera. It is not possible, indeed, with so large a body of men congregated continuously within the same limited space, that there should not always be more or less risk of such an occurrence, and I feel very strongly that nothing short of some absolute necessity should be held sufficient to warrant our placing the Soldiers, and their families, within its influence.

6. Hitherto the European Troops at Waltair have enjoyed a remarkable immunity from all serious disease, and no arrangement, I consider, should now be allowed, which might peril its continuance.

7. I attach no impo[illegible]tance to the immediate vicinity of European Troops in connectio[illegible] the Jail. I consider it to be quite sufficient for all purposes, that the Troops should be within a couple miles distance.

8. Holding this view I can see no sort of necessity for placing the Jail as at present proposed, there being other sites, which I should consider free from all objection, excepting only that of greater distance from the European Barracks, and this I look upon as in their favor.

9. I recommend, therefore, that the proposed site should not be taken.

10. I have shown this letter to Mr. Rohde.

ORDER.—Communicated to the Judicial Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. MARSHALL, Colonel,
Secretary to Government.

No. 253. ORDER THEREON, 28th April 1863, No. 659.

His Excellency the Governor in Council directs that the Officer Commanding the Northern Division, the Inspector General of Jails, the Acting Collector and Agent at Vizagapatam and District Engineer, will form themselves into a Committee for the purpose of considering and reporting on the possibility of providing a suitable site in the neighbourhood of Waltair, for the proposed Central Jail.

2. If on full consideration it should be the opinion of the Committee, that there is no site free from objection on Military or other grounds, it will be necessary to erect the Central Jail at some other Station in the Northern Circars not further south than Rajahmundry, and Mr. Rohde will thereupon proceed to the Station which he may consider most suitable, and select a site.

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

Exd. T. McMootrie.

Sno 18th July 1862 M 150 to 158
" 20th Sept " M 265 to 270
" 8th Oct " M 65 to 66.
" 10th Feby 1868 M 76-77
16 1/2 April " Oct 73.
19 Feby " Order 271.

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Copy of Govt in the Military Dpt 1856

25th March

Copy letter from the Major General Comd Division reporting the result of his visit in Company with Mr Rohde upon the proposed site for the Jail at Waltair with observations-

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To the Inspr Genl of Jails - Madras.
Asst Collr & Agent a Vizagapatam dupd 28
Judy Dept
Pub Works Dept } dated 13/5/63
Major Genl C. A. Browne
Capt Chambers, Engrs } dupd 28

Secret 186. Department.

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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT,

Date 20 Sept 1863

Appointing
certain Officers to form
a Committee for the
purpose of Considering and
reporting on the possibility
of Providing a suitable
Site on the Heights near
the Bar for the fire
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