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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
30th April 1864.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 334. Proceedings in the Judicial Department.

Referring to the Judicial Department for consideration, certain propositions made by the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, for the erection of a Police Station-house at Kalastri. (Dated 8th March 1864, No. 707.)

Referred to the Magistrate of North Arcot for his opinion. Mr. Robinson will state in what building the Sub-Magistrate at present holds his Cutcherry.
FORT SAINT GEORGE, (Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
14th March 1864. Chief Secretary.

No. 335. From J. D. ROBINSON, Esq., Magistrate of North Arcot; to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Tirpathi, 5th April 1864, No. 13.

* Herewith returned.

I have the honor, with reference to your Memorandum on Proceedings* of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, dated

8th ultimo, No. 202, to state that I have not a very distinct recollection of the two buildings spoken of in the correspondence therein embodied, as on the occasion of my only visit to Kalastri, upwards of three years ago, it poured so heavily and continuously, that after the usual interchange of courtesies with the Zemindar, I was forced to leave the place without having seen much of it.

2. I do remember, however, noticing the shabby appearance and low situation of the building then used as a Cutcherry, and subsequently transferred to the Police under the circumstances mentioned in Mr. Fraser's letter.

3. That transfer, I gather from an Arzi dated 6th March 1863, was made by the late Sub-Magistrate on the alleged ground that it was the only possible arrangement under which the then new Constabulary could be accommodated, the real motive probably being that the Mantapam to which his office was then removed, and where it has since remained, had some private attraction which cannot now be explained.

4. This Mantapam or Portico is situated in the corner of the main street, and being the property of the Zemindar is only available as a Cutcherry by his permission.

5. On the whole, I have no hesitation in saying that Colonel Boileau and Captain Hearn are quite right in advocating the erection of a new set of public buildings at Kalastri; and as these officers have had an opportunity of discussing in concert and on the spot the proposition in all its bearings, I beg to recommend that their views be adopted, and the work put in hand as soon as funds can be found for it.

No. 336. ORDER THEREON, 30th April 1864, No. 623.

Under the opinion expressed by the Magistrate in his letter of the 5th April, the Governor in Council authorizes the sale of the building, which was abandoned by the Sub-Magistrate at Kalastri for the use temporarily of the Police. The Order of the 16th October 1862, No. 1701, approving of additions being made to this building is accordingly cancelled, and the sanction granted in paragraph 1 of the previous Order of the 18th September, No. 1532, for constructing a 2nd Class Police Station-house in an eligible site in the town, is revived.

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recommending the proposed plan
house, or constructing a se-
parate.

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2. The Magistrate will decide, in communication with the Superintending Engineer of the Division, whether accommodation for the Sub-Magistrate's Cutcherry should be provided by enlarging the proposed Station-house, or constructing a separate building close to it.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department, with enclosures returned.
" Magistrate of North Arcot,
" Inspector General of Police.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
8th March 1864.*

No. 202. Read the following letter from Colonel A. J. M. BOILEAU, R. E., Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, E. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 28th February 1864, No. 5,309:—

SIR,

1. In continuation of my letter No. 3,828, dated 3rd December 1863, and with reference to the Proceedings of Government noted in the margin, I have the honor to forward a letter from the late Acting Collector of North Arcot, wherein he observes "that the late Sub-Magistrate of Calastry appears to have vacated the Cutcherry at that place without any orders from his superiors, and that not being aware of any thing which rendered the locality unfit for occupation he (the Collector) considered that an addition should be made to the building so as to accommodate both the Sub-Magistrate and Police."

2. Since this letter was written, I have had an opportunity of visiting Calastry in company with the Superintendent of Police of the Division, Captain Hearn, and we made many enquiries from various people on the spot as to the building in question, and generally as to the locality in which it is situated. All concurred in stating that the water of the tank (which we inspected, lying 150 or 200 yards east of and above the street in which the Cutcherry is) causes great dampness in all the houses of the neighbourhood, owing to the permeable nature of the intervening soil, and renders their occupancy decidedly unhealthy. The story is told of one Police Inspector losing two children when he had temporary possession of the building as a dwelling house, their sickness being traced to the extremely damp state of the building.

3. It fortunately happens that the Cutcherry is of very small value, probably not more than Rupees 400. The site which has been chosen for a Police Station just to the north of the town seems very eligible, and there is abundance of space to add to it rooms for the Sub-Magistrates, or (what I presume would do equally well) the new Cutcherry for the latter functionary could be built alongside of, and close to it, the object I suppose being merely that the Police should be within hail of the Magistrate. The long delayed Police Station might, under this arrangement, be at once carried on, without pausing for a revision of Plan and Estimate; the present Cutcherry which is now occupied by the Police being sold, and this is the course which I recommend for the approval of Government.

4. As respects the commencement of the work this year, a portion, say Rupees 500 of the sum Rupees 1,200 allotted for the Punganoor Sub-Magistrate's Cutcherry, may be appropriated, as not more than 700 Rupees can be spent on the latter building by the end of April next. The funds required next year may, as suggested by Government, be taken from the Budget allotment, Rupees 3,000, for Police Stations.

5. If the Government approve of the above arrangements, an Estimate will be shortly forwarded for a new Sub-Magistrate's Cutcherry to be built in close juxtaposition to the Police Station at Calastry, and the amount realized by the sale of the present unhealthy Cutcherry will be deducted from the amount of the Estimate.

No. 203. ORDER THEREON, 8th March 1864, No. 707.

1. In Proceedings dated 18th September 1862, No. 1,532, the Government in the Judicial Department sanctioned an Estimate amounting to Rupees 1,720 for a 2nd Class Police Station House at Calastry in the North Arcot District. In modification of this Order it was subsequently decided* that in lieu of a separate building for the Police Station, the Sub-Magistrate's Cutcherry should be added to so that both might be under the same roof.

* See Proceedings Judicial Department, 16th October 1862, No. 1,701.

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Read Pros: 8 Mar. '64 N^o: 707. Pub: Wks: Sept.

Read also letter from the
Magistrate of North
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Enter 5 April '64 N^o: 13.

Order 30 April 1864 N^o: 623.

Under the opinion expres-
sed by the Magistrate in
his letter of the 5th April, the
Governor in Council autho-
rises the sale of the build-
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by the Sub Magistrate at
Malabar for the use tem-
porarily of the Police. The Order
of the 16th Oct. '62 N^o: 1701, ap-
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Dated 30 April 1864.

Authorizing the sale of the
landings and the landing
used as a dock property
and donating the same
to the Union of the
Class of the station-house
at that place.