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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
7th July 1860.*

No. 32. Read the following Proceedings of Government, in the Public Works Department,
dated 25th June 1860, No. 1,332.

*Communicating copy of a letter from the Chief
Engineer, intimating that the Plan and Esti-
mate for the Jail to be erected at Nundial in
the District of Kurnool has not been complet-
ed by the District Engineer.* } (Vide Proceedings, Public Works Department,
dated 25th June 1860, Nos. 386 and 387.)

No. 33. ORDER THEREON, 7th July 1860, No. 848.

To be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Judicial.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. HORSLEY, Chief Engineer, to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated Chepauk, 9th June 1860, No. 1,439:—

1. Referring to Order of Government as per margin, regarding a Plan of a Jail to be erected near Nandiál, in the District of Kurnool, and which was to be prepared in communication with Mr. Rohde, I have the honor to submit for the information of Government, a letter just received from the District Engineer, Kurnool, from which it will be perceived that he has not yet been able to complete the Plan and Estimate.
3rd January 1860, No. 11.
1 Letter from District Engineer, dated 19th May 1860, No. 85.
2. I have to-day forwarded for Mr. Rohde's consideration the sketch Plan received, together with a copy of the District Engineer's letter, and on his furnishing me with full information on the points in which the Plan of the Salem Jail is defective, the District Engineer will be desired to submit without delay a complete Plan and Estimate for that at Nandiál.
3. I propose addressing you in a day or two regarding the other judicial buildings referred to in the Order of Government above quoted.

ORDER THEREON, 25th June 1860, No. 1,332.

Communicated to the Judicial Department for information, with reference to Proceedings in that Department, dated 22nd December 1859, No. 1,703.

(True Extract.)

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Dy. Secretary to Government.

To the Judicial Department, with an enclosure.
„ Chief Engineer.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
14th June 1865.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 95. From T. I. P. HARRIS, Esq., Session Judge of Trichinopoly.
Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort
Saint George; dated Trichinopoly, 29th April 1865, No. 102.

I have the honor to request you will be good enough to submit, for the consideration of Government, the expediency of at least four hundred more prisoners being transferred from other Jails to Trichinopoly, as soon as fitting places be found for their accommodation, as the Jail under my charge will not hold more without being over-crowded.

2. I have already corresponded on the matter with the Inspector General of Jails. He has anticipated me in suggesting the advisability of an increase of prisoners being made, and of renting some building for a time; he will doubtless communicate with Government also.

I have informed him that the house belonging to Dr. Beatson would be well suited for the purpose; but the rent is somewhat high, Rupees 120 per mensem, nor am I certain the Agents, Messrs. Binny & Co., would agree to its being converted into a Jail. As, however, the house is unoccupied, and not likely to let, they might perhaps, if addressed direct, be disposed to rent it, and at a lower rate.

4. I am induced to represent the matter at once to Government, as no time should be lost in sending them to be sent. They are most urgently needed by the Railway authorities, for the purpose of assisting them in the construction of the new line to Erode.

5. A demand for convict aid was made by them in October last, and I then placed 50 at their disposal, representing my desire to increase that number as far as lay in my power, but more prisoners were not required then.

6. Having since been applied to for further assistance, the number of the prisoners has been increased, till at the present time, and for the last month or two, every convict fit for hard labor has been employed on the line.

7. I was assured, not long ago, by B. C. St. John, Esq., the Assistant Engineer, that they could find work for 500 men, as coolies cannot be obtained and though perhaps so great a number is not now needed, I have been officially informed by the Engineer that he would be glad of more prisoners.

8. There can be no doubt, therefore, that 3 or 400 more convicts would find employment at the station, for if not all required on the line some could be placed at the disposal of the Military, who are in want of such assistance, and there are other works in the Cantonment on which they could be employed.

Realizing by the labor of the convicts employed on the new line at the rate of upwards of 500 Rupees a month, and with the sum which will be acquired this month, upwards of 2000 Rupees will have been thus realized in October last, and carried to the credit of Government, under the head of convict saving.

10. Since writing the foregoing, I have been informed by D. Logan, the Chief Engineer of the Great Southern India Railway, in answer to a demer-official note addressed by me to him on the subject, and requesting to know if he could guarantee the employment of 500 more convicts, that they could give work to 500 in the immediate neighbourhood of Trichinopoly for a short time only, but that they could scarcely afford to house them securely.

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11. If Government would undertake the hutting, &c. he could guarantee work at the current for a year at least, for 500 convicts more, but he would have to move from place to place along the line. He would be informed if it would be worth the while of Government to make moveable huts of timber which pieces could easily be taken to pieces and carried by wood plank.

13. He may be able to do the matter. He may have the use of all the prisoners in Jail here, as they are of great use at the present juncture.

I think it advisable to ascertain what can be rented for the purpose of holding prisoners, and there are other buildings adapted for holding

Reform of Jails, for early report.
FORT SAINT GEORGE, (Signed) J. ARBUTHNOT,
5th May 1865.

No. 96. From T. I. P. HARRIS
to the Hon. Secy.

Having place available being made, and that it would hardly the place be occupied only temporarily as a Jail.
2. It is with very little is for sale of house.
I honor to state that I Green- order to make the many alterations expenditure if building would, as the property the ex- of building a new Court- house.

3. Should Government be inclined to take the matter into would call upon the Superintendent to have the matter in- ined, a report made upon its condition, and an estimate framed

Esq.,

Tails, to the Honorable

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No. 98. ORDER THEREON, 14th June 1865, No. 848.

The Government having directed that every available convict in the Jail at Trichinopoly shall be placed at the disposal of the Magistrate, for the purpose of clearing away the prickly-pear in and about the Fort Ditch, the proposal referred to in the foregoing letter for placing convict labor at the disposal of the Railway authorities cannot be entertained.

(True Extract).

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Session Judge of Trichinopoly.

" Inspector General of Jails.
" Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Ed. J. E. Barna.

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