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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,

14th June 1865.

Read the following papers:—

No. 103. From Captain J. G. RYVES, R. E., Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, Madras; dated Waltair, 6th May 1865, No. 36.

I have the honor to submit, for consideration, two drawings: one showing the description of Jail wall sanctioned for the Rajahmundry Central Jail, the other what I propose as an improvement. The cost will be about the same.

2. Prisoners could, without much difficulty, get over the six feet breast wall and hide away behind it, or in the towers, through the loopholes of which they could communicate with, and receive tools from, their friends out-side.

Referred to the Judicial Department.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
16th May 1865.

(Signed) C. A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secy. to Govt., P. W. D.

Referred to the Inspector General of Jails, for his opinion.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
20th May 1865.

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

No. 104. From J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails, to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Ootacamund, 22nd May 1865, No. 15.

In acknowledging your endorsement of the 20th May, on Major Ryves' letter of the 6th, proposing an alteration in the plan of the Jail walls, I have the honor to state that the proposed change seems to me in every respect objectionable. It is well known that for a good look out at night, there must be a clear horizon or a look upwards, and that observation from a height of what passes at night in an enclosed Court is impossible.

No. 105. ORDER THEREON, 14th June 1865, No. 851.

The Governor in Council prefers Captain Ryves' plan, provided that the width of the wall be increased.

(True Extract).

A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department (with Plans and Estimates).

General Department

Memorandum for Orders.

Letter from Supy Engr 1st Div. Dated 5th May 1865 No 36.
 this, Pub Works Dept. 3
 - Inspector Genl of Jails - 22^d - 15.

outside - that is on
 the side near the
 high wall -

As well as I under-
 stand this matter Mr.
 Rhodes plan provides for
 two walls, an inner wall
 six feet high with a banquette
inside, and an outer wall
 a good deal higher, between
 which two walls the
 guard is to patrol from
 tower to tower. The towers
 are entered by steps from
 the space between the
 two walls. They are loop-
 holed, and command
 a view along the outside
 of the outer wall. According
 to

to Captain Ryne's plan
there will be only one wall
on the top of which the
guard will walk, the
wall being ^{built} sufficiently
thick for this purpose.

The walk along the top of the wall affords the means of communication from tower to tower. The loopholes in Captain Kyrie's towers are a good deal higher than in Mr. Rhodde's.

Captain Ryves objection to Mr Rhodes plan is that the Convicts can easily go over the inner wall and into the town through the loopholes of which they can communicate with the people on the other hand Mr Rhode on the other considers the benefit

I agree with Mr. Phillips that both Slaves are objectionable & consider Mr. Noble to be a sheer waste of all the money expended on the Inner Wall - and the Tower as far as the Plan goes appears merely to be sure to defend the Prison from an attack from without - - Capt. & Officer

Prison from an
 without - - Capt. up
 is better in his respect
 in the bookholder marched in
 passed on his side and
 I imagine he - but his
 walk in the top of the wall
 is too narrow - I don't
 think anything of it - What
 decision for how a man
 in a yard surrounded by
 small 60 feet high is kept
Edgar Harrison who is difficult
 to say - - code of law for the

John Harrison
Wray -

1000
 I do often hear
 from outside.

I don't wish to appreciate this objection.
It seems to me however
that a guard patrolling
on the banquette or

at which the guard will
be when walking along
the top of the wall as
serious objection to Captain's
Pyrie's plan.

Orders are requested b.

on the banner on Rhyer's plan. Orders are requested b.
 on either side of the town as to which plan shall
 will answer in way be adopted.

that might bring
on them they could jump the
top of the higher wall. In
case of an outbreak
the guard would fight.

the town with ^{some} ~~some~~ ^{if}
from a ^{the} ~~the~~ ^{if}
hard pressed wheat

It does not appear how the bright water is to be accounted according to Cape Royce plan. I

suppose that there will
flights of steps or slope
at intervals along the

When I stated { the person
 at, and at the corners of the wall.
 There should be simply look holes with
 Louvers. On the outer wall there should be round
 Louvers & the wall ought to be broad enough at the
 top to admit of a watchman walking along.

+ defend this
stain!

yes. But they could
do nothing more than
hold them, as the look holes
are so made as not to
command the succumbent
of the fall. Is my idea,
has the plan of the
J. Gen: & the Sup: Sup:
an fault? The one is too
complicated, the other
with its top sailing is too
lim cracky for their
counting - If there are
two two walls I think
inner one had be too high
the Gen over which

When stated } the person
at, and at the corner of the wall
there should be simply loop holes
in the wall there should be similar

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letters

From the Sup^r Engineer Division } Here per 16th May 1865 N^o 36.
" " " " }
" Inspect^r General of jails - " 22nd May 1865 N^o 15.

Order thereon 14 June 1865. N^o 257.

The Governor in Council
orders Captain Pyles plan provided
that the width of the wall be
increased.

To the Public Works Dept.
with Plans & Estimates } des^d 21/4/68

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Dated 14 1 1865

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