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Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
15th May 1867.

No. 152. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Public Works Department, dated 9th May 1867, No. 1408.

Sanctioning an estimate of Rupees 645
for carrying out certain alterations to
the Magistrate's Court-house at Oota-
camund. (Vide Proceedings, Public Works Dept.,
dated 9th May 1867, Nos. 235—237.)

No. 153. ORDER THEREON, 15th May 1867, No. 788.
Communicated to the Magistrate of Coimbatore.

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

To the Magistrate of Coimbatore.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department
9th May 1867.

Read the following papers:—

No. 235. From the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Mangalore, 23rd February 1867, No. 232.

1. I am requested by the Collector and Magistrate of Coimbatore to obtain the sanction of Government for the outlay of Rupees 645, in carrying out certain alterations to the Joint Magistrate's Court at Ootacamund, as per plan and estimate appended. So far as they go I consider them judicious, and calculated vastly to improve the Court-room at a trifling cost. And I presume their sufficiency has been maturely considered, and that, when carried out, the Court-room will be found adequate for the purpose for which it was built.

2. It is not, however, satisfactory that alterations should be called for to so new a building, and I take this opportunity of representing to Government the propriety of instructing all other departments, when communicating with this on the subject of new buildings or alterations of existing ones, to furnish statistics of the number of persons for whom accommodation is wanted, and the number of rooms in which it is convenient that they should be distributed. We have now no trouble in planning Military buildings, as exact information has been supplied in that department of the number of men per Regiment or Battery to be provided for, of the maximum and minimum numbers to be allotted to one room, of the superficial and cubical space to be allowed to each man; and the same is the case with reference to Jails. And I respectfully submit that similar statistics should be supplied to Government, for our information, whenever any department applies for leave to call on us to plan and estimate on its account. It may be said that such information can better be obtained by communication direct between this department and that immediately interested in the building called for. But I do not find it so, practically, in the matter of Schools, Talook and Sub-Magistrates' Cutcheries, including subsidiary Jails, and such like buildings. And I do believe that the object would be better obtained if each department, in applying to Government for a new building, had to supply a detailed statement of the number of persons it was to hold, and the number of rooms it was to consist of. This department would then be answerable for sizing and grouping together such rooms most effectively, in personal communication as to further petty details with the local authorities.

Referred to the Judicial Department.

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
1st March 1867.

The Magistrate of Coimbatore is requested to explain the necessity for the alterations and additions proposed to be made to the new Magistrate's Court at Ootacamund.

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

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
12th March 1867.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
9th May 1867.*

No. 236. Memorandum from the Chief Secretary to Government, in the
Judicial Department.

(Here enter 24th April 1867, No. 114.)

From the Magistrate of Coimbatore, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George,
dated Coimbatore, 15th April 1867, No. 29.

1. In reply to your Memorandum, dated 12th ultimo, calling on me to explain the necessity
for the alteration and enlargement of the existing Joint Magistrate's Court at Ootacamund, I have
the honour to inform you that when the plan of the present building was originated, now some
three years ago, the space afforded was deemed
sufficient to meet all existing requirements.
Magisterial work, from the steady influx of stran-
gers with their numerous servants, and the exten-
sion of cultivation on the hills within the past three years, has increased by about 50 per cent.

No. of cases disposed in 1864,	217.
Do. do. 1865,	320.
Do. do. 1866,	329.

2. Act III. of 1863 (the Breach of Contract's Act) has become more generally known, and
prosecutions under its provisions are much more frequent than formerly. Amongst other causes,
the presence of strangers in the Court calls for the provision of extra room. They are frequently
to be found there, partly from curiosity and partly endeavouring to kill time.

3. In Ootacamund two Newspapers are issued weekly, and their respective Reporters have
to be provided with room. In fact, in many ways, Ootacamund has altered within the last three
years, and hence the demand for increased room in the Joint Magistrate's Office.

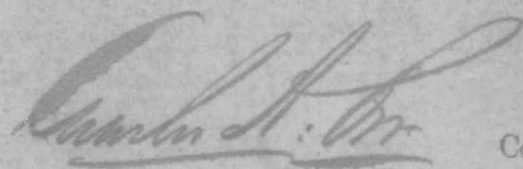
No. 237. ORDER IN COUNCIL, 9th May 1867, No. 1,406.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 29.

The estimate of Rupees 645 sub-
mitted by the Superintending Engineer
of the 7th Division for carrying out

certain alterations to the Magistrate's Court-house at Ootacamund is sanctioned for
execution from the Reserve under "Civil Buildings."

(True Extract.)



Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, with Plan and Estimate.

„ Accountant General.

„ Controller of Public Works Accounts.

„ Judicial Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Sanctuary in the
of No 645. In carrying on
certain alterations to the
Magistrate's Court House
at Worcester.

with an order

15 May 1867 No 1400

Communicated to the
Magistrate & Justice

W. A.

by the Magistrate of
Worcester 1867