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# JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Coroner of Madras.

No. 115.

FROM

R. DAVIDSON, Esq., C.S.I.,  
Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,  
HOME, REVENUE AND AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated 15th February 1879, No. 180, intimating that though the distances which the Coroner in Madras has to travel are no doubt considerable, yet they are not greater now than they have been since the year 1800, when the limits of the Coroner's jurisdiction were fixed, and that the Government of India are of opinion that no sufficient reason has been shown for altering an arrangement which has continued for nearly eighty years without involving, as far as that Government are aware, any serious difficulty.

2. As this is the decision, His Grace the Governor in Council must again request the Government of India to reconsider the necessity and expediency of the proposal to confine the territorial jurisdiction of the Madras Coroner to a reasonable area.

3. The present limits of Madras, comprising twenty-seven square miles, include twenty-three separate villages, many of which are small and tenanted by agriculturists or toddy-drawers—large portions being arable lands or planted as gardens and topes with only a few European houses dotted about.

4. During the period of eighty years alluded to by the Government of India the number of inquests—irrespective of adjourned courts—has risen as noted in the margin, taken at intervals of ten years.

|        |     |     |     |     |     |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| * 1800 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6   |
| 1810   | ... | ... | ... | ... | 10  |
| 1820   | ... | ... | ... | ... | 25  |
| 1830   | ... | ... | ... | ... | 26  |
| 1840   | ... | ... | ... | ... | 91  |
| 1850   | ... | ... | ... | ... | 87  |
| 1860   | ... | ... | ... | ... | 154 |
| 1870   | ... | ... | ... | ... | 198 |
| 1878   | ... | ... | ... | ... | 227 |

5. His Grace in Council is of opinion that, while inquests should be limited to the utmost extent that prudence would admit, the Coroner should always be available for an inquest if necessary, and that this is impossible in existing

circumstances with the present number and large area as evidenced by the figures given above. To meet the work he must employ a substitute, whose deputation, although receiving no salary, involves material extra expense in the shape of carriage hire, &c.

6. I am therefore again to ask that the territorial jurisdiction of the Madras Coroner may be confined to the town area of Madras (as indicated in the margin), as distinguished from the rural area of the Municipality—this being the only mode by which additional expenditure may be obviated—or that the Local Government may be empowered to define such jurisdiction from time to time as circumstances may require.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

FORT ST. GEORGE,  
17th January 1880.

*Chief Secretary.*

S. Exd. T. O'Connor.

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From the Government of  
Fort St. George.

Dated 17th Jan. 1880.

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Coroner of Madras.—Requesting that the territorial jurisdiction of the Madras Coroner may be confined to the town area of Madras as distinguished from the rural area of the Municipality, or that the Local Government may be empowered to define such jurisdiction from time to time as circumstances may require.

Madras 1st Sept 1879  
Dear Mr. Master,  
With reference to  
your letter 28th ulto.  
I beg to inform you  
that Mr. Sandley Norton  
is the eldest son of  
John Bruce Norton  
late Advocate General  
and was born in Madras  
26 years ago, where  
he remained until  
he was 10 or 12 years

of age, at which time  
he was a good vernacular  
linguist. He is now  
studying Sanskrit with  
a monk, writes it  
clearly, and with no  
doubt in a month or  
two speak it fluently.  
Mr. Norton has been  
a barrister about 4  
years.

Only in cases of emergency  
such as illness of the

Coroner, or his absence  
from Madras, are the  
services of the Deputy Coroner  
required.

It is an Honorary App't,  
and no salary is attached  
to it, and it is one  
which a native cannot  
hold on account of  
their dislike to civil  
bodies.

Yrs. very truly  
H. Stanger  
C. J. Master Esq.

The  
F. P. Stanley  
Council  
Notes

Settled per  
Hudson 1908 Sept

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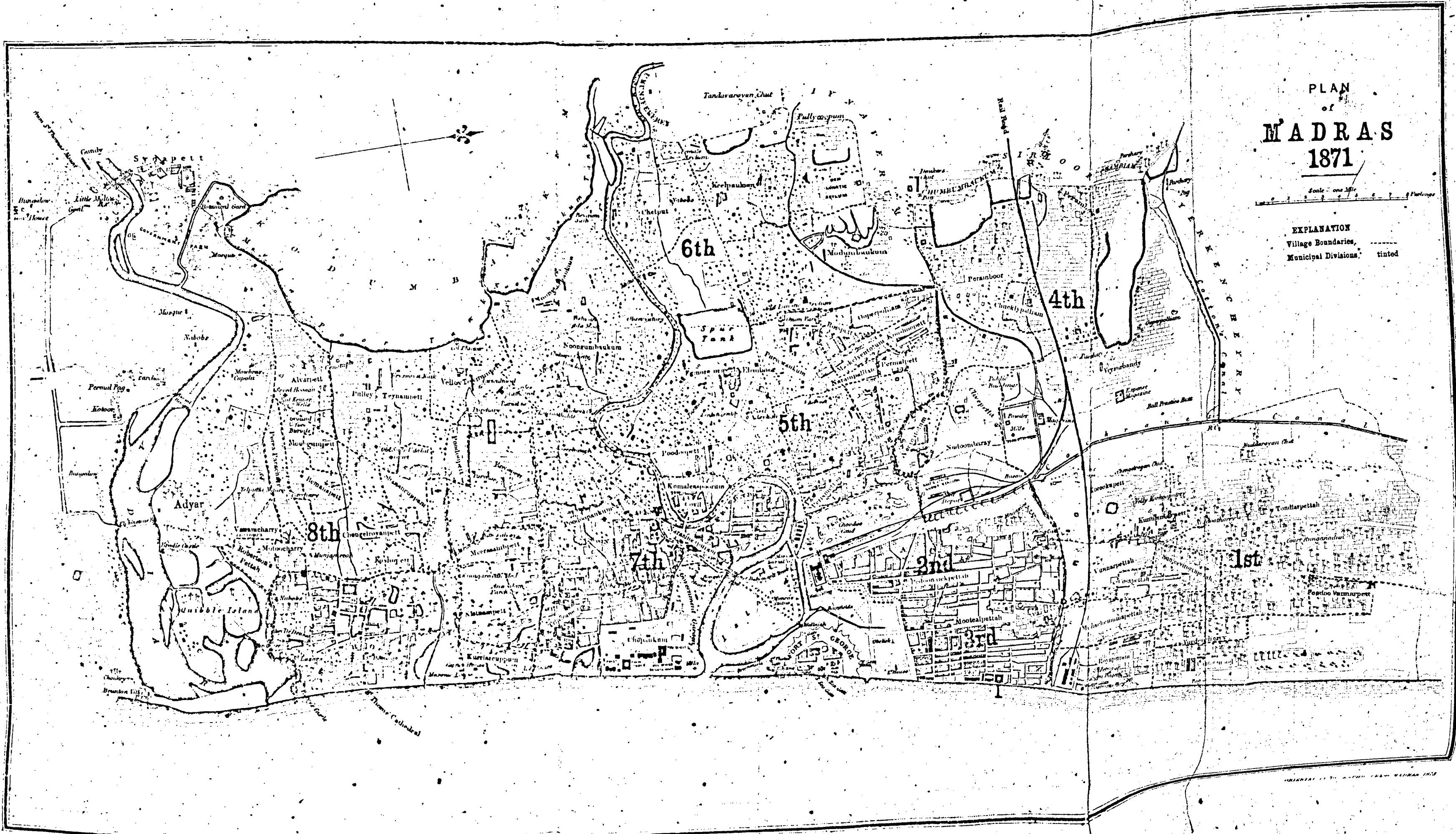
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PLAN  
of  
**MADRAS**  
1871

Scale - one mile  
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

EXPLANATION  
Village Boundaries, Municipal Divisions tinted



115 of 17-1-80

Copy

Oct 20/87

Dear Dr. Stambrogh,

With refer. to your offl.  
letter No 11 87<sup>th</sup> July 1879, I am desired  
to ascertain whether Mr. Norton is ac-  
quainted with the local vernacular  
and of the character of the people of  
Madras.

Yours truly

L. J. M. M. M.

To Dr. H. Stambrogh  
former of Madras -

IN CIRCULATION.

<sup>1</sup>  
Deputy ~~Coroner~~ of Madras.

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Judl. Department.

17/9/79

2 His Grace The GOVERNOR.

His-Excellency The COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

/ The Honorable W. HUDLESTON.

3 The Honorable D. F. CARMICHAEL.

By Deputising up  
next morning  
20-9-79



# MADRAS

SCALE - 3 INCHES = 1 MILE

NOTE. HACKNEY CARRIAGE STANDS MARKED O

THE RED AND BLUE LINES ARE ONE FURLONG APART FOR ASCERTAINING DISTANCES FROM ONE PLACE TO ANY OTHER.

EXAMPLE. REQUIRED TO KNOW THE DISTANCE FROM THE CUSTOM OFFICE TO THE HORTICULTURAL GARDENS.

VIA THE CHEPPOK ROADS.

From Custom Office to Cheppok along the Beach (by red lines) 2 1/2

From Custom Office to Regi Venkayyir Thonnam (by blue lines) 1 1/2

Regi Venkayyir Thonnam to Horticultural Gardens (Blue) 1 1/2

TOTAL 4 1/2



By Coroner

W. H. Cor. 9/15/74

It appears the  
enfranchisement of the  
Coroner is in the  
a Deputy. to that  
question is disposed

As regards for the  
enfranchisement of the  
the Corporation of  
London & the  
concept difficulty  
in satisfying the

11th 7/15/74  
W. H. Cor. 9/15/74

Requests of the law  
relating to Inquests  
D. H. G. proposes to  
make. There is  
objection to the proposal  
but the papers  
has been decided  
before decision.

I think the whole  
question has already  
been represented.  
A statement arranged  
considered. L.B. 157  
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N<sup>o</sup> 11.

From

Henry Stanbrough Esq<sup>r</sup>  
Coroner of Madras

To

W. G. Master Esquire  
Ag. Chief Secretary to Government  
Fort St. George.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will be pleased to bring to the notice of Government with reference to Section 38 of the Coroner's Act N<sup>o</sup> IV of 1871, that it is my intention to appoint Cardley Norton Esquire, Barrister at Law to be my deputy provided such appointment meet with the approval of His Grace the Most Noble the Governor in Council.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Madras — Your Most Obedient Servant,  
Coroner's Office } H. Stanbrough  
30<sup>th</sup> July 1879 } Coroner.

I think we have already  
said so on Aug 28<sup>th</sup> 79  
the office

Judicial Department.  
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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from

the Coroner of Madras, 20 July  
1879, N<sup>o</sup> 11.

Order thereon, 17 Sept. 1879, N<sup>o</sup> 2385

Approved. The  
following notification will  
be published in the  
Fort Saint George Gazette.

Notification

Under the provisions  
of Act IV of 1871, section  
30, the Coroner of Madras  
has with the previous  
sanction of Government  
appointed Mr. C. Norton  
Marriester-at-Law to act  
for him as his Deputy  
in the holding of Inquests.

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R. B. Mung...  
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...  
...  
Gazette of India...  
The Coroner of Madras - 21/9/79

20. 1879, 17-1-80  
Judicial Department.

From Deputy Coroner  
The Coroner of Madras

To Mr. C. Norton Marriester-at-Law

Dated 20 July 1879  
N<sup>o</sup> 11

Reference is made to the  
38th Act of 1871, section  
30, of the provisions  
of the Government of India  
in relation to the appointment  
of Mr. C. Norton Marriester-at-Law  
as his Deputy in the  
holding of Inquests.

At dinner that  
I was told to look  
at the difference

of Indian birds  
to be as good as  
Crows -

At the dinner  
at 10:15 when I  
was ill I was  
wondering to  
be able to pay  
as for the Crows  
Singing in request  
of others -

Stomach 2<sup>19</sup>  
from paper  
how long at the time  
or how long in time?

19/8

I believe that at Madras  
the Dr. C. has constant  
employment. From the (some)  
is engaged in inquiries  
in one part of the town  
he sees him. The different  
palestine. The climate  
like what is of the  
of the inquiries on  
view of the body. For

The Coroner cannot see  
in 2 places at once "like  
a bird". The 2 inquiries  
2 inquiries at the same  
time at a distance  
is "lawful or unlawful"

I do not think that  
is legal. I am not  
at all sure of it.

22/8  
228/8  
revised 11/9  
220/9

14th March 1794 No 49

4/26, 26 June

29<sup>th</sup> March 1794 N<sup>o</sup>. 167

\* AL-NE (Mansour)

[illegible]

Memorandum

Madras Women

In 1794 Mr. Robert Williams was appointed Coroner of Madras and places adjacent with an allowance of 12 pagodas per mensem in lieu of fees. He applied for an establishment of persons, and interpreters, and was informed that all such assistance as he might require in the shape of persons & interpreters would on application to the sitting Justice be furnished by the latter. On the 24<sup>th</sup> of Novr 1794 the then Coroner represented to government how unpleasant and laborious his duties were, and that he had to travel a distance of nine miles from Madras, & that the expense of palanquin hire exceeded the sum of 12 pagodas allowed for that purpose, and requested that such salary might be condescended to him as would be deemed expedient to compensate his labor. This letter was accompanied by a list of servants for the Coroner's

office.

The government sanctioned 5<sup>th</sup> Dec 1794 No 68  
the following establish-  
ment:-

Monthly allowance of the Coroner 50 pags = 175 Rs  
Interpreter and writer - 15 " = 52  $\frac{1}{2}$  -  
a Brahman and Mullah - 2 " = 7  
2 peons - 4 " = 14  
2 Jalisaries - 3 " = 10  $\frac{1}{2}$   
Palanquin borses - 12 " = 42  
Total - 86 = 301

In 1803 the Coroner brought  
to the notice of government  
the scantiness of his estab-  
lishment & the heavy duties  
he had to perform owing  
to the increase of population  
and the extension of the  
limits of Nadras and  
requested that his salary  
and the allowance of  
his establishment might  
be raised.

The Coroner's salary was  
raised to 100 pagodas &  
an increase of  
46 pagodas was granted

I think the letters  
2<sup>nd</sup> Dec 15 Jan 24  
from Dec 15 Feb 24  
dispose of the question  
further. unless the  
Coroner's salary  
is increased by the  
Government.

5<sup>th</sup> March 1839 No 285

Let the  
Coroner's salary  
be increased to  
100 pagodas &  
46 pagodas.

9<sup>th</sup> July 1839 No 783  
It is submitted that the  
number of signatures  
in 1878 was 227 & the no  
of appointments 10.

to the establishment, so that  
the monthly cost of the Coroner  
this establishment, which  
in 1794 was 86 pagodas  
was raised to 152 pagodas  
i.e. from Rs 301 to Rs 532.

In 1839 the Coroner ap-  
plied for a further increase  
of pay on the ground that  
his work had considerably  
increased since 1803. This  
application was supported  
by the recommendation  
of the Chief Justice. This  
was recommended to the  
Government of India &  
sanctions favorable thereto.  
The Government of India  
intimated that the Coroner  
of Nadras was not under-  
paid in comparison with  
the other Coroners and that  
they were therefore un-  
able to sanction the in-  
crease solicited. This

order was communicated  
to the Coroner  
In his letter of 23<sup>rd</sup>  
August 1847 while offering

his remarks on a Bill regarding  
Coroners then pending be-  
fore the Government of  
India the Madras Coroner  
suggested that the power  
of appointing a Deputy  
Coroner which the said  
Bill proposed to give the  
Coroner at Calcutta might  
likewise be granted to  
the Madras Coroner.

This paper was with the  
other report on the Bill  
sent to the Government  
of India with the recom-  
mendation that the  
provisions of the Bill  
might be extended to  
Madras.

The Bill having become  
Law (Act 4 of 1848) under  
Section 4 thereof the  
Coroner submitted for  
the approval of Govt his  
proposal to appoint  
Mr. Cowen as his deputy

2nd Sept 47 No 609

9th May 48 No 433

13th May 48 No 74-75

24th Oct 71 No 1473

6th Dec 71 No 1629

Government approved of the  
nomination made by the  
Coroner

The first Dy Coroner for  
Madras took the requisite  
oaths on the 12th May 48

From a letter from Dr  
Mair, who was Deputy  
Coroner of Madras for 14  
years, to the then Coroner  
Dr. Urquhart it appears  
that during the greater  
part of the time that  
Dr. Mair was Dy Coroner  
his services were gratuitous.  
During the absence of the  
Coroner his Dy was per-  
mitted to draw certain  
allowances.

In February 71 Dr  
Urquhart requested  
that he might be in-  
cluded in the list of  
Officers coming within  
the operation of the pension  
rules. On ascertaining  
from the other presidents  
that the Coroners of Calcutta  
were <sup>not</sup> considered <sup>as</sup> <sup>the</sup> <sup>white</sup>

to pension Dr. Ureghart-  
was informed that his  
request could not be  
granted (22<sup>nd</sup> May 71 No 684)  
In Sept 71 his memorial  
was transferred over  
to the Government of India  
with the recommendation  
that he might be declared  
eligible for pension as  
his duties were arduous  
and the demand on  
his time was enormous  
(7<sup>th</sup> Sept 71 No 436)  
This recommendation  
failed.

In 73 a Despatch  
was received from the  
Secretary of State re-  
questing the Govt to state  
their opinion whether in  
the event of a vacancy  
occurring in the office

20<sup>th</sup> Feb 73 No 275

of Coroner should not be pre-  
judicial to the public benefit by  
the duties of Coroner with  
those of one of the Magistrates.  
The Secretary of State was  
informed that the proposed  
arrangement was im-  
practicable unless it was  
intended to make an ad-  
dition to the number of  
Magistrates.

In 73 Dr. Stanborough  
represented to Govt that the  
remuneration attached  
to the office of Coroner was  
wholly inadequate to the  
labor, responsibility &  
expense devolving on the  
holder of the office and  
requested that his re-  
muneration might be  
placed on the same level  
as that of the Coroner  
of Calcutta & Bombay  
Govt declined to comply  
with this request but  
in consideration of the

extensive area included  
within his range raised  
the Carriage allowance  
drawn by him from Rs 28<sup>th</sup> August 73 No 1385  
30 to 80 per Mensem

This increase was  
sanctioned by the Govt 30<sup>th</sup> Dec 73 No 1738  
of India

In 75 the Interpreter  
attached to the Comptroller's  
office was granted a Con-  
veyance allowance  
of Rs 50 per Mensem.

20<sup>th</sup> Sept 75 No 2052

27<sup>th</sup> Dec 75 No 2648.

In 78 Dr. Stanborough  
reported that considering  
the fact that two or  
more inquiries had to be  
held every day he was  
compelled to call upon  
the Dy. Comptroller to take  
up one or more of them  
but that officer would

not do so without remunera-  
-tion, and that an ad-  
ditional establishment  
was needed for the Dy. Comptroller.  
He therefore requested  
that the Dy. Comptroller might  
be allowed an allowance  
of Rs 100 per Mensem inclusive  
of Carriage and provided  
with an establishment  
ment at a cost of Rs  
75 per Mensem.

The Government  
of India were requested  
that the transaction  
the proposals made  
by the Comptroller, but the  
authority declined  
to sanction the same.  
The matter was again  
referred for the orders of  
the Government of India  
on the ground that  
the proposals made  
were required in the  
peculiar circum-

19<sup>th</sup> June 78 No 1241

15<sup>th</sup> January 79 No 71

stances of Madras  
in consideration of the  
extensive area.

The Government of  
India adhered to their 26th June 79 No 1574  
former decision <sup>viewing</sup>  
that no sufficient reason  
was shown for alter-  
ing an arrangement  
which has continued  
for nearly eighty years  
without involving, so  
far as the Govt of India  
were aware any  
serious difficulty.

In July 79 Dorman  
borough proposed to  
appoint Mr. Norton  
as his Deputy. In  
a semi official letter  
he stated that Mr. Norton

had sufficient experience  
of the Country and was  
from a reliable & well-to-do family  
well.

The law requires  
the Governor to  
appoint his own Deputy  
subject to the approval  
of Govt. His Grace has ap-  
proved of Mr. Norton's  
appointment as Dy  
Coroner.

In regard to his allowance  
the letters from India  
of 1878 & 79 show that  
they are not prepared  
to sanction them.

That the original  
salary of the Coroner  
was does not appear  
from these papers; in  
94 he had an allowance  
of 12 pagodas. At the  
end of that year he  
was granted 50 pagodas  
monthly, in addition

It was 12 pagodas  
i.e. 3 1/2 Rs & 12  
a month; but at first  
it was 10 pagodas  
of 1871 & perhaps  
10 Rs & 12  
a month.

to his palanquin allowance  
 & this sum of 50 pagodas  
 might be taken as his  
 salary from that date.  
 In 1803 it was raised to  
 100 pagodas. In 1839  
 & 78th Government of India  
 declared to sanction  
 in the former instance  
 an addition to the salary  
 of the Coroner & in the  
 latter a fixed allowance  
 for his Deputy.

There was no Deputy  
 Coroner until 1848, since  
 then a Deputy has  
 been appointed to the  
 Coroner subject to the  
 approval of Govt. He  
 has no salary from  
 Government.

The papers of 1794,  
 1803 & 1839 like those  
 of 78 show that all

applications for adding  
 expenditure in Con-  
 nexion with the office  
 of Coroner have been  
 sent to his excellency  
 for his decision.

Alb

18/6

Number of Inquests

| Year | No | Year | No | Year | No  |
|------|----|------|----|------|-----|
| 1800 | 6  | 1820 | 25 | 1840 | 91  |
| 1801 | 5  | 1821 | 14 | 1841 | 95  |
| 1802 | 14 | 1822 | 17 | 1842 | 98  |
| 1803 | 9  | 1823 | 36 | 1843 | 94  |
| 1804 | 30 | 1824 | 27 | 1844 | 96  |
| 1805 | 29 | 1825 | 17 | 1845 | 112 |
| 1806 | 30 | 1826 | 28 | 1846 | 93  |
| 1807 | 46 | 1827 | 41 | 1847 | 118 |
| 1808 | 26 | 1828 | 21 | 1848 | 102 |
| 1809 | 9  | 1829 | 22 | 1849 | 90  |
| 1810 | 10 | 1830 | 26 | 1850 | 87  |
| 1811 | 18 | 1831 | 36 | 1851 | 102 |
| 1812 | 20 | 1832 | 49 | 1852 | 139 |
| 1813 | 14 | 1833 | 53 | 1853 | 112 |
| 1814 | 21 | 1834 | 69 | 1854 | 157 |
| 1815 | 28 | 1835 | 61 | 1855 | 165 |
| 1816 | 22 | 1836 | 73 | 1856 | 187 |
| 1817 | 18 | 1837 | 57 | 1857 | 224 |
| 1818 | 27 | 1838 | 95 | 1858 | 226 |
| 1819 | 5  | 1839 |    | 1859 | 197 |

The figures for each of the  
 other years are not available  
 now here, but it appears from  
 Dr. Urquhart's letter submitted  
 in letter to India, of 7th Sept  
 71 No 436, that the average  
 annual number for the  
 following periods stand as  
 follows:-

Ten years ending 1850 — 109  
 Ten years ending 1870 — 208  
 Five years " 1872 — 172  
 1802 to 1872 = 13853

The figures for the other years  
 - even averages - are not  
 available here Alb 29/10

1860 - 154  
 1861 - 169  
 1862 - 166  
 1863 - 190  
 1864 - 191  
 1865 - 187  
 1866 - 224  
 1867 - 142  
 1868 - 143  
 1869 - 135  
 1870 - 198  
 1871 - 198  
 1872 - 185  
 1873 - 170  
 1874 - 179  
 1875 - 160  
 1876 - 190  
 1877 - 270  
 1878 - 227

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The Gov. of Super to  
 the 80 years -  
 during that period the  
 subjects for some 10 the  
 years are as under

1878 - 0  
 10 - 10  
 20 - 25  
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 70 - 198  
 + 78 227

misapprehension of  
 adjacent courts

Now what this indicates  
 is either a failure to  
 find necessary subjects  
 as in moment or non  
 increased expenditure for

Dep. &c.

The remedy is to limit  
 crown's duty to

Winnipeg Sept 29

Winnipeg area - in  
 effect to the town area  
 as distinguished from  
 the rural area of  
 the Municipality -  
 if requests could be  
 distributed equally  
 we might go on - but  
 people will commit  
 suicide - & murder &  
 accidents will occur  
 from recent times with  
 regard to status during the  
 same thing -

While limiting requests to  
 the return of which  
 procedure admits - the  
 Crown should always be  
 available for assignment  
 if necessary - such cannot  
 be the case as matters now  
 stand - The holding an  
 inquiry by an unpaid deputy  
 with details extra expense  
 which limitation of area  
 would avoid - I

22/11/20  
 22/11/20



The Government should  
 not be required to pay  
 for the maintenance of  
 the land which is  
 in the hands of the  
 Government.

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a definite proposal of  
 area as the only way of  
 avoiding expense or inefficiency  
 of land which would be a serious  
 loss to the Government.

Should not. Kitmanfelt. Belver  
 St. Marie & Implican be included  
 and also Koyapattor Koyapooram  
 & Capimode ?

1/24

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much of the 1<sup>st</sup> Dism as is situated to the  
N of the Monagan Chantey Road, & to the  
th of the Kalamandapan Road.  
1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Disms as they are at

cent.  
much of the 6<sup>th</sup> Dism as is situated to the  
N of the Capuan & to the E of the Kungmu  
Kun. High Road & Nador's Road.  
much of the 8<sup>th</sup> Dism as is situated to  
N of a line drawn along St. Jeger's field  
St. Edward's Road, Road, Poyapettat  
Road & Brown Road, to the west of the sea,  
the Natto of the Adyayai River.

1/2 of the 1<sup>st</sup> Dism as is situated to the  
N of the Capuan & to the E of the Kungmu  
Kun. High Road & Nador's Road.  
1/2 of the 8<sup>th</sup> Dism as is situated to  
N of a line drawn along St. Jeger's field  
St. Edward's Road, Road, Poyapettat  
Road & Brown Road, to the west of the sea,  
the Natto of the Adyayai River.

Judicial Department

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To

The Secretary to the Govt of  
Home, Revenue, & Agriculture  
Department

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge  
the receipt of your letter,  
dated 15th February 79,  
No 180, intimating that  
though the distances,  
which the Coroner in India  
has to travel are no  
doubt considerable  
yet they are not greater  
now than they have  
been since the year  
1800, when the limits  
of the Coroner's jurisdiction  
were fixed, and that  
the Govt of India are  
of opinion that no  
sufficient reason  
has been shown for

For that the Govt may be able  
to send to India such persons  
from time to time as circumstances  
may require

altering an arrangement which has continued for nearly 80 years with - out <sup>working</sup> as far as that goes we are, any serious difficulty.

2. His Grace the Governor in Council requests the Government of India to reconsider the necessity & expediency of the proposal to confirm the territorial jurisdiction of the Madras for a reasonable area.

3. The present limits of Madras Comprising 23 separate villages many of which are <sup>small</sup> ~~have~~ <sup>are</sup> tenanted by Agriculturists or Toddy drawers

27/11/1878  
in the

1800 - 6  
1810 - 10  
1820 - 2  
1830 - 26  
1840 - 91  
1850 - 87  
1860 - 154  
1870 - 198  
1878 - 227

With the present  
amount of

- large portions being <sup>only</sup> ~~are~~ lands or planted as gardens & tops with a few European houses dotted about.

4. During the period of 80 years alluded to by the Govt of India the number of inquest - in-  
respective of Adjudged Courts - has <sup>risen</sup> ~~been~~ as noted in the margin - taken at intervals of ten years.

5. His Grace is of opinion that, while in-  
quest should be limited to the utmost extent that prudence would admit, the Coroner should always be available for an inquest if necessary, and that this is impossible in ex-  
- in Circumstances as evidenced by figures given above. To meet the work he must employ a substitute

whose deputation involves  
extra expense in the  
shape of Carriage hire &c  
I am therefore to  
request that the territorial  
jurisdiction of the Madras  
Coroner may be con-  
fined to the town area  
of Madras, (as indicated  
in the margin) as dis-  
tinguished from the  
Mural Area of the  
Municipality - this  
being the only mode  
by which additional  
expenditure, delay  
and inefficiency  
can be obviated.

AK  
9/12

Judicial Deptt

Letter to India  
Madras Coroner  
Re: by the C.S.

\* 2nd, 3rd, 5th & 7th Divs;  
\* so much of the 6th Div  
as is bounded on the north  
by the Coroner, on the East  
by the 8th Div, on the West  
by the 7th Div, & on the  
South by Kungumbam  
Village & that part of  
the 8th Division com-  
prised in the Villages  
of St. Thome & Roy-  
pettah.

The definition  
seems a little  
questionable - should

Sept 23/11/80

Judicial DEPARTMENT.  
No. 115

To  
The Secretary to the Government  
of India,  
Home, Revenue & Agricultural DEPARTMENT.  
Sir,

I am directed to acknow-  
ledge the receipt of your  
letter, dated 15th February  
79, No 180, intimating that  
though the distances, which  
the Coroner in Madras has  
to travel are no doubt  
considerable yet they  
are not greater now than  
they have been since  
the year 1800, when the  
limits of the Coroner's juris-  
- diction were fixed, &  
that the Government of  
India are of opinion that  
no sufficient reason  
has been shown for alter-  
- ing an arrangement which  
has continued for nearly  
80 years without involving  
as far as that Government  
are aware, any serious  
difficulty.

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2. As this is the decision,  
His Highness the Governor in  
Council must again re-  
quest the Government  
of India to reconsider  
the necessity and ex-  
pediency of the proposal  
to confine the territorial  
jurisdiction of the <sup>Madras</sup> Crown  
to a reasonable area.

3. The present limits  
of Madras comprising 27  
square miles include  
23 separate villages  
many of which are small  
& tenanted by Agriculturists  
or toddy drawers - large  
portions being arable  
lands or planted as  
gardens & topes with  
only a few European  
houses dotted about.

4. During the period  
of 80 years alluded to  
by the Government  
of India

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the number of requests -  
irrespective of adjourned  
cases - has risen as above  
in the margin - <sup>taken</sup> at intervals  
of ten years.

5. His Highness in Council  
is of opinion that, while inquiry  
should be limited to the  
utmost extent that <sup>prudence</sup>  
would admit, the Crown  
should always be avail-  
able for an inquiry if  
necessary, & that this is  
impossible in ~~the~~ existing  
circumstances with the  
present number of staff.  
Area as evidenced by the  
figures given above. To  
do the work he must  
employ a substitute, whose  
deputation, although  
receiving no salary, in-  
volves material extra-  
expense in the shape  
of Carriage hire &c.

6. I am therefore  
again to ask that  
the territorial juris-  
diction of the Madras  
Crown may be Co-

1. joined to the town area of  
 Madras, (as indicated in  
 the margin), as distinguished  
 from the rural area of  
 Municipality - the  
 only mode by  
 which additional expenditure

may be avoided ob-  
 vious - or that the local  
 authority may be empowered  
 to define such juris-  
 diction from time to

1871  
 1871

So much of the 18<sup>th</sup> Divn  
 as is situated to the west  
 of the Monegar Choultry  
 Road to the south of the  
 Kalmandapam Road.  
 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>  
 as they are at present.

Dated 1871  
 To  
 The Secretary to the  
 Government of  
 Department.  
 No.  
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 DEPARTMENT

So much of the 6<sup>th</sup> Divn  
 as is situated to the south  
 of the Nungambakkum High  
 Road & Madras Road  
 So much of the 8<sup>th</sup> Divn as  
 includes Vellore, Srinampett  
 all portions situated to  
 the north of St. George's Cathedral  
 Road & Edward Elliot's Road,  
 & East of Royapettah High  
 Road & Brodie's Road & north  
 of Jubilee Island.

For George  
 17<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1880

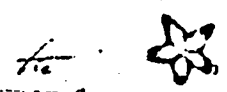
J. H. Dept. Madras  
 Commr.

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signed to the ...

of 1870

Letter to  
the Govt of India  
Home Sec Dept



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Oct. 115

Govt of Madras. Re  
that the territorial  
rights of the Madras  
Govt are confined  
to the district of Madras  
and of the from the  
local boundary,  
where to the way  
district defined  
that as circumstances  
may vary