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Local & Munl. (1895) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 1054 M

DATED 4th July 1895.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Burial and burning grounds.

Communicating to the Sanitary Commissioner the report of the Chairman, Vaniyambadi Municipal Council, regarding the present and proposed----in the town and requesting the former to select a suitable site when he next visits the town.

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residers in the performance
of the funeral rites. The
way to this ground lies through
a swampy marshy fields infested
with venomous reptiles. On the
other hand the present burning
ground of the Brahmins
which is beside the Ramanujan
topé & the present burial ground
of the Vellalas which is beside
the Kuppan topé are attended
with all the necessary con-
veniences. There are no incon-
veniences caused by the present
grounds since there are no habi-
tations near them. The new
ground however is situated very
near to two villages. In Vaniyan
-kadi there are Mahomedan burial
grounds right in the midst of
the town through which people
often pass. Both the present &
their new cremation grounds are at
a distance of 1/2 or 3/4 mile from
the village & cannot therefore
be a source of trouble to the
people. The fact that the
present grounds is in the midst
of the river has perhaps been
thought to be a grave inconvenience
against which the petrs sub-
-mit that there are grounds
attached to the cremation sheds
on the shores of the river which
the petrs have no objection
to use. On 7.3.95 the petrs
presented a petition to the
Chairman

Chairman of the Municipal
Council & waited on him for a
reply but were told that
the new arrangement would
be adhered to. The petrs' vil
-lage is not represented in
the Municipal Council the
which wanted to satisfy
a rich Mahomedan myot
who owns the land surroun
-ding the present crema-
-tion ground of the petrs.
The petrs submit that
the new proposal of ship-
-ping their present ground
will only be sowing the seeds
of a great strife between
themselves & the Mahomedans
& pray that it may not
be given effect to.

(an abstract translation)

Venkata Subba
5/4/95

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

G.O. 481-Mr. 19.3.95

L & Mc

LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPT.
CURRENT No. 1216 Mr

From V. R. Ramaswami mudali & others, the Hindu Residents of Vaniyambadi & Periya-pettai, Tirupattur Tk., Salem Dt.

No.

Dated 2/4/95

Received 4/4/95

Enclosures

SUBJECT.

Protesting against the proposal of shifting their ~~their~~ cremation & burial ground from its present position.

The petn states as follows :—

The petrs hear that the burial ground of the Hindus of Periyapettai is to be shifted to a place near the village of Sennampettai. Some of the inconveniences arising from this arrangement are the following. The way to the new ground lies through Mahomedan streets. The funeral procession of the hindus is attended with many religious rites & the women have to accompany it with weeping & wailing. The corpse has to be halt in certain places before it reaches its destination. All these will be forbidding to the Mahomedans from whom Rewpae the petrs have to expect much disturbance. The new ground lies at a distance of one mile from the village. It contains no trees to give shade & no tank or pool to assist the Hindus

Reference on No. 174 dcsd. 12.4.95
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MUNICIPAL OFFICE VANIYAMBADI.

Dated 11th April 1895.

From J. T. Gillespie Esquire, C.S. 1238 Mr

Chairman, Municipal Council,

VANIYAMBADI.

To

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT,
MADRAS.
THROUGH THE COLLECTOR OF
SALEM.

Sir,

In continuation of my remarks on para 6 of the Inspection Notes of the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner embodied in G.O. No 481 Mr dated 19th March 1895, I have the honor to report as follows in regard to the selection of a Site for burning and burial ground for the people of Periapet and Chennampet.

The people of Periapet at present use the river bed as a burial and burning

burning Ground and the question of prohibiting this usage has been under the Consideration of the Council for the last three years almost. —

Periapet is an island Sorrounded by the Palar and no Suitable and unobjectionable poramboke land is available either above or below the island. A Site was at first Suggested above the island but Considering the remarks of the Sanitary Commissioner and the District Medical officer, I informed the Council that the Suggestion could on no account be approved. The District Medical officer with whom my predecessor Mr. Bedford went all over the island from one end to the other personally told him that no place above the island should be Selected for the purpose

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and the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner in his inspection notes dated 18.12.93 remarked that all burning should be carried on below the out-fall of the river from the town. On the 13th November last a garden below the island was selected in Consultation with the District Medical officer and objections have Subsequently come from the Muhammadan Community that that Site was very near the houses and that other houses are being built Still nearer it. This Statement is true. Another place further below was then Selected and was inspected by the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner and his remarks about the Site are noted below.

Para 6. "There are 24 burial Grounds-

fourteen

"fourteen of these being attached to
"mosques — and four cremation grounds,
"One of the latter has been closed
"and a new site selected by the
"District Medical and Sanitary officer.
"It has not as yet been acquired.
"objections have been made to its
"position by the Muhammadans
"as being too close to a few of their
"houses, but the alternative site
"proposed by them cannot be
"recommended owing to its proximity
"to the river and difficulty of approach."

Upon this objection the —
adjacent land which is not too
close to the river as the one first
suggested and inspected by the
Deputy Sanitary Commissioner was
selected. Mr. Bedford (my predecessor)
inspected this land in company with
a Muhammadan and a Hindu —
Municipal Councillor. Upon objection
raised subsequently by some Hindus
I also inspected the place and I am
strongly of opinion that this is the
most suitable one available, in
fact almost the only possible one.
But as there is no regular approach
to this site, some arrangements will
have to be made to open a roadway
about 6 feet in breadth from Periapet
and Chennampet across the fields
after acquiring the required portion
thereof. Considering the impossibility
of getting any other site in the
island of Periapet this seems un-
-avoidable though it may cost more
than the estimated amount.

As the adjacent site was
not recommended by the Deputy
Sanitary Commissioner because of
its

its proximity to the river, I find it necessary to make a reference to Government with a request that the Site now selected be approved, before it is acquired. The Council at its meeting held on the 26th March 1895 resolved after long discussion by a vote of 7 against 2 to acquire this land for a burial and burning ground. If this resolution is approved I shall address the Collector to acquire the land in question at once for the Council and apply to Government for Sanction, to prohibit the use of the river bed as burning and burial grounds.

I request the favour of an early reply.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant

Gillespie
Vice Chairman

Local & Municipal Deptt

1895

From 351/Sal 13-3-95

The Chairman
Municipal Council
Thanjavur

To

The Chief Secretary to Govern-
-ment
Local & Municipal Department
Madras
Thro' the Collector of Salem

Dated 11th
Despatched 12th } April 1895
Received 20th

Report No. 174
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Enclosure: Nil.

Subject.

Requesting approval of Government for the site selected for burial and burning ground at Peraiyur before it is acquired for reasons stated within.

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Cno 1197 A/95 266 A 7-3-94

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Collector

To

The Chief Secretary to
Government, Local and
Municipal Deptt
Madras

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Local & Municipal Dept.
CURRENT No. 1338 M.

From

The Chairman,
Municipal Council,
Vaniyambadi

Ref^ce on No. 174/Eng.

Dated 11.4.95.

Received 20.4.95.

Enclosures —

SUBJECT.

Requesting the approval of Government for the site selected for burial & burning ground at Periapet before it is acquired for reasons stated within.

(with a reference)

C.Nos. 1216 & 1338/M/95

W.S.
Reference 620
4/5/95

The Chairman is requested to report whether the site finally selected for a burning and burial ground has been approved by the District Medical & Sanitary Officer & to submit a sketch showing the existing & proposed grounds.

2. The petition read above objecting to the closure of the existing ground will also be referred to the municipal council for remarks.

V.P.
25/4/95

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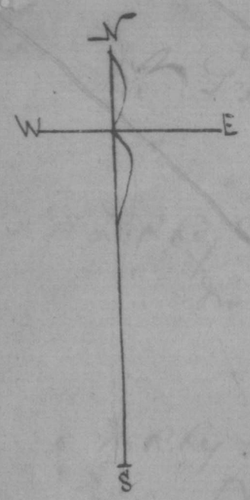
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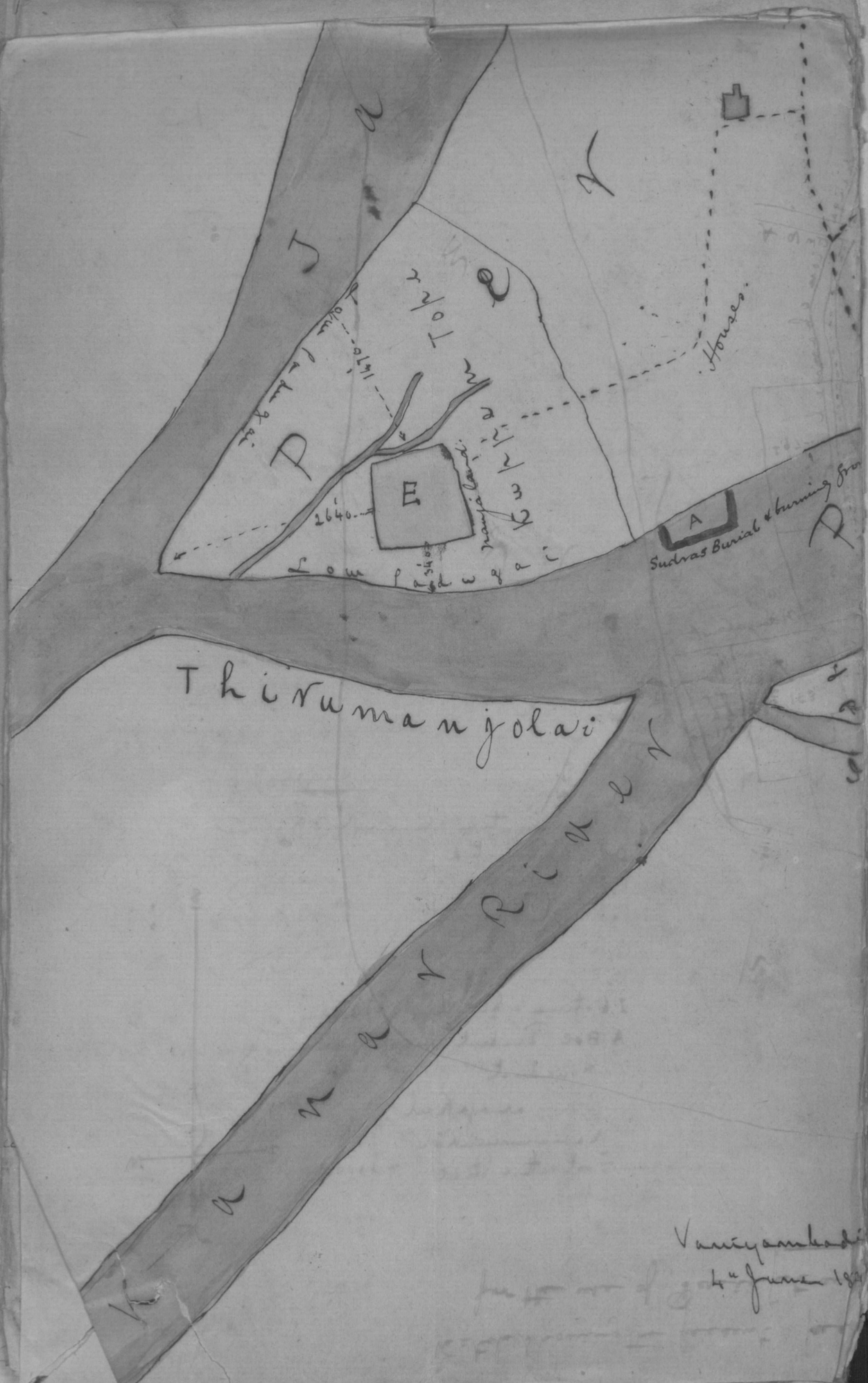
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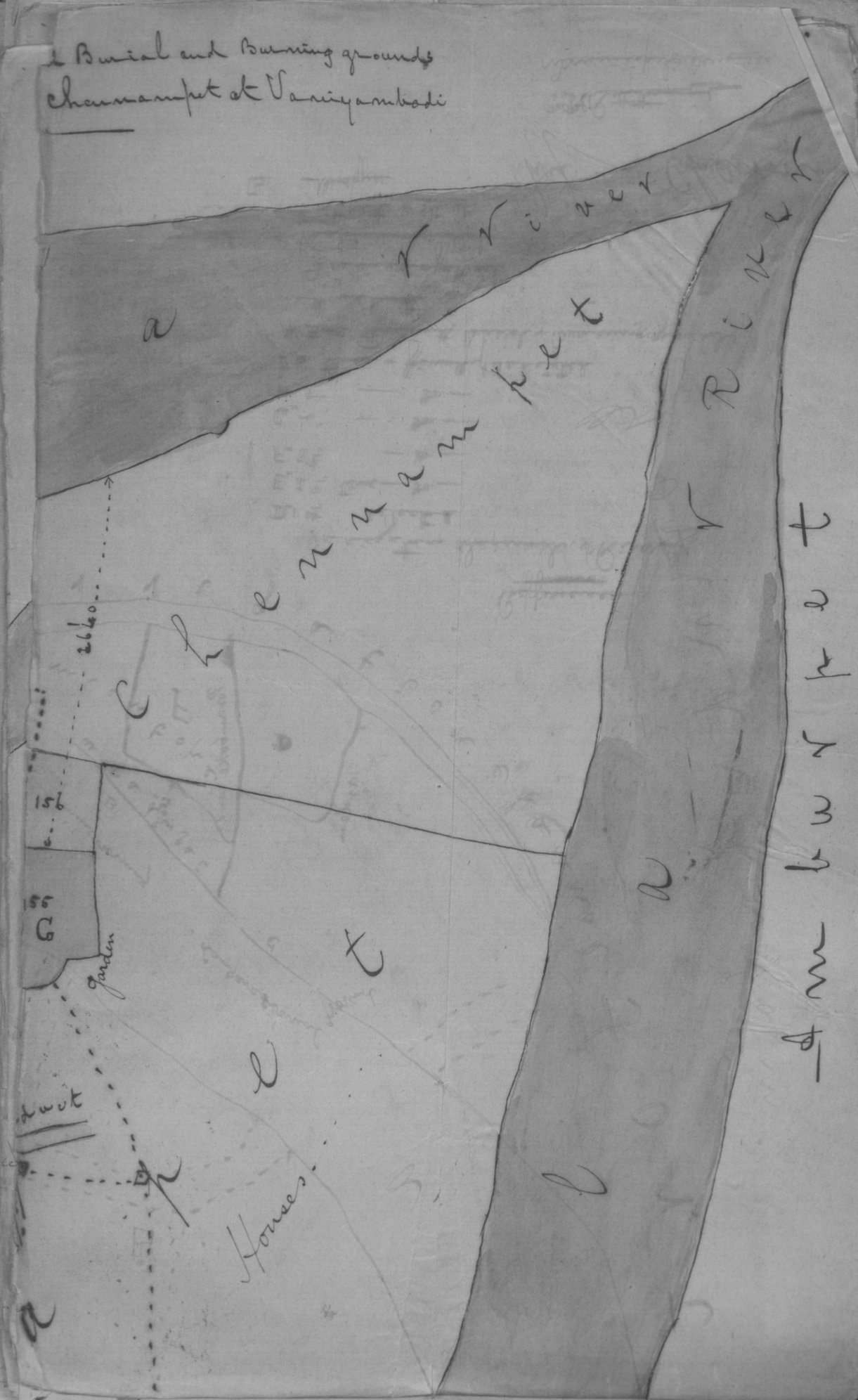




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1 Burial and Burning grounds
Chavamapet at Vaniyambadi



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Extract from the Proceedings of the Municipal Council Vaniyambadi dated 27th day 1895.

PRESENT.

Dr. Ghose Esquire; C.S. Chairman

Official Councillors.

Dr. R.Rs. C. Surappa chariar Avargal, Deputy Tahsildar

" Dr. Gurusawmi Sastriar Avargal, B.A. Sub Registrar

Non-official Councillors.

Dr. R.Rs. S. M. Sivaswamy Pillai Avargal

" Narasinga lala Avargal

" Shanmuga Chettiar Avargal

Siddaikara Jamulabdin Sahib

Kazulkhan Sahib

Newazal Tafar Sahib.

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5. Read Government Ref Order No 620 dated 4th May 1895 referring to the Council for remark the Mahazar petition of the people of Periapet protesting against the proposal of shifting their cremation and burial ground from its present position.

Resolution: So many Sites have been selected from time to time and all of them having been objected to by the people

people or the Sanitary Authorities the Council resolve that the Sanitary Commissioner be requested to select a site which will be unobjectionable to the people.

(Signed) K. Ghose
Chairman

(True Extract)

Chairman

Municipal Office

Reference on No. 380

From MUNICIPAL OFFICE VANIYAMBADI.

Dated 6th June 1895

Loc. & Mun. Dept.

From S. Ghose Esquire, C.S.

Chairman, Municipal Council,

VANIYAMBADI.

To

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT,
MADRAS.
THROUGH THE COLLECTOR OF
SALEM.

Sir,

With reference to G.O. Ref dated 4th May 1895, No. 620, I have the honor to report that the site finally selected for a burial and burning ground has not been inspected and approved by the District Medical Officer.

2. I submit herewith a sketch, as directed, showing the existing and proposed grounds. The places marked A, B & C in the river bed are now used by the people of Periapet for burying and burning the dead bodies. The site marked A is the one finally selected.

3. The Mahazar petition received with the above G.O Ref was placed before the Council at

at its meeting held on the 27th instant and a copy of the resolution passed thereon is herewith submitted.

4. In this connection I wish to lay before Government the whole matter regarding the question of selecting a fresh site for the purpose. The matter is one which is pending for the last 3 years. Periapet is a small island Sorrounded by the Palar river and except a few nanja lands and cocoanut gardens, no poramboke land or land of any other description is available in it. The people of Periapet have been using the river bed for burning and burying dead bodies from time immemorial and as this has been objected to by the Sanitary Commissioner, necessity arose for the selection of a fresh site.

5. In the first instance the site marked D in the sketch was selected and the District Medical officer was requested to inspect it and advise the Council if it was unobjectionable on Sanitary principles. He did not approve of it but selected the site marked E in the accompanying sketch. While inquiries were going on regarding its acquisition great many objections came in both from the Brahmins and the Sudras of Periapet on the ground that the site was out of the way, and very inconvenient. The way leading to this site which is far from the town is so very narrow that even two men cannot walk side by side. I inspected the place personally and found the objections of the people to be reasonable and sound. Besides, it appeared to me to be very expensive being a nanja land and it was also brought to my notice that during floods in the rivers, water would spread over the whole portion of the site selected being on a low level and too close to the river. Probably this was not taken to the notice of the District Medical officer at the time of his inspection. For these reasons I selected another site marked F. It is a poramboke land excellently suited for

a[illegible] for the purpose. The District Medical officer
Co[illegible] (Dr. F. Dymott) dis not approve of this
is Site also taking objection also to the Site
4 marked E already selected by his
predecessor (Dr. Rogers Harrison) on
the ground that it was above the town
selected with Mr. Bedford (my predecessor)
the Site marked G, which was the town.
Almost all the mohamedan population
living in the island of Pedro put in
strong objections to this on the ground
that it is close to their houses and that
as the dead bodies will have to be
carried past these mosques which are
in the middle of the way leading to
this Site, there will be room for breach
of the peace at any time. Again they
selected the Site marked H making
arrangements to open another way by
the river side to go to it. The Deputy
Sanitary Commissioner who inspected
the Site did not recommend its acquisition
for the purpose owing to its proximity to

to the river and difficulty of approach.
At last the Site marked I which is
further away from the river was selected
and the Council applied to Government
for sanction to acquire the same. This
is now objected to by the people.

Of all the Sites selected, the
one marked G was inspected and approved
by the District Medical officer and the
Deputy Sanitary Commissioner who
also inspected it did not take any
objection. Though it is close to the
mohamedans houses there seems to be
no other suitable Site below the town
and the river.

7. Upon reading the Mahazar
petition received with the above Govern-
-ment order, and Considering that so
many Sites have been selected from time
to time with objections against each
of them either from the people or the Sanitary
Authorities, the Council at its meeting
held on the 27th instant resolved to leave
the

the whole matter to be decided by the Sanitary Commissioner who may be requested to select at his next visit to Vaniyambadi, a site which will be unobjectionable to the people and to Sanitary Principles.

The Mahazar petition is herewith returned.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most Obedt Servt

Chairman

Local and Municipal Dept.

Received 21 JUN 95 Local & Municipal Dept.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Local & Municipal Dept
Madras.

Through the Collector of Salem

Dated 6th June 1895
Despatched 6th

Ref. no. 308/Eng. Enclosures. 3 (Three)

Subject

Submitting a sketch showing the present and proposed burial & burning grounds as directed in the G. O. within referred to and submitting a detailed report regarding the same

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Despatched on 20-6-95

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C.S. Misc order

Communicated to the Sanitary Commissioner with the request that he will select a suitable site when he next visits the town.

V.R. 26/6/95 C.S. 28.VI.

2/7/95

To The Sanitary Comm. chairman Dte. Va 26/6 a/25/6/95

Read again Order of Government, dated 189 , No. , Miscellaneous.

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