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Local & Munl. (1895) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 1257M

DATED 3rd August 1895.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Ootacamund Lake Improvements.

Communicating to the Public Works Department a copy of the Proceedings on the Sanitary Board regarding-------,and requesting it to forward at an early date certain estimates.

BACK PAPERS.

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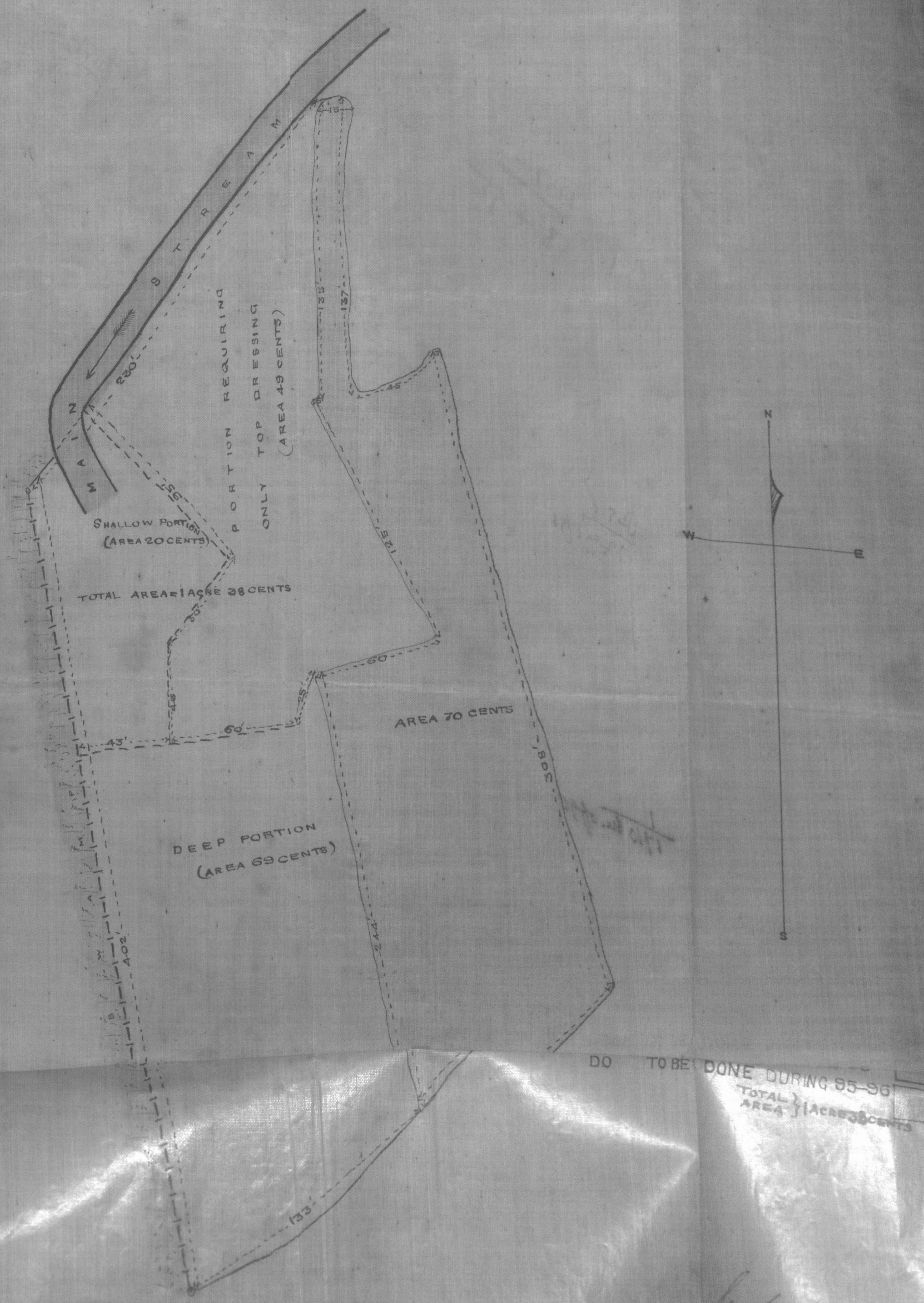
SKETCH
OF
A PORTION OF OOTY LAKE
SHOWING
PORTIONS FILLED AND PROPOSED TO BE FILLED UP

SCALE 50 FEET = 1 INCH


MAIN STREAM
230'
15
135
137
45
PORTION REQUIRING ONLY TOP DRESSING (AREA 49 CENTS)
55
SHALLOW PORTION (AREA 20 CENTS)
TOTAL AREA = 1 ACRE 38 CENTS
30
125
60
46
25
43'
60
AREA 70 CENTS
308'
DEEP PORTION (AREA 69 CENTS)
402'
244
133
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DO
TO BE DONE DURING 85-96
TOTAL AREA } 1 ACRE 38 CENTS

CHAIRMAN O.M.C.

Sep 18/2/95

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Plan sent per D [illegible]

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With reference to [illegible] No. 1257 M. from [illegible] Municipal. Can you please send by special messenger the Surveyor's sketch of the upper end of the Ootacamund Lake [illegible] urgently required by the Executive Engineer.

14-7-95

64 Word Form.

F. C. 2.

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G. G. P.—No. 220 T—18-9-94—30,00,000

No. 638.

Ootacamund Municipal Office,
1st May 1895

Local & Municipal Dept.
CURRENT No. 1710 M.

FROM
THE CHAIRMAN,
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL,
OOTACAMUND.

To
The Honorable J. F. Price C.S.I.
Chief Secretary to the Government
Ootacamund.

Enclosures one

Sir,

G.O. Local & Municipal dated 21st July 1894. No. 1005. M. Mis.
G.O. Do. - Do. dated 10th August 1894. No. 615. Mis.

1166 M
20-8-94

In the orders marginally noted the Government were pleased to Sanction an additional allotment of Rs 1000, for the purpose of dredging the Main Stream, which runs into the Ootacamund Lake, during the year 1894-95.

2. The work was Commenced in August 1894, and Continued until the 14th February 1895. The Expenditure incurred up to the 31st March 1895, amounted to Rs 999.7.3

3. The area filled up, above present water level and reclaimed is 70 Cents, or nearly three quarters of an acre as shown in pink on the enclosed sketch.

4. Sixty nine cents of land has been

been also raised above water level since the Silting process was Commenced. This portion together with the portions marked "deep portion" on the Sketch (area 69 Cents) may be reclaimed during the current year if His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to sanction a further sum of Rs 1,000. to be expended during 1895-96. The total area which will be reclaimed for the money will be 1 Acre and 38 Cents.

5. The amount expended in 1893-94. was Rs 2994+. and the total Expenditure up to 31st March 1895, was Rs 2,993..

+ Vide para: 2 of my letter no 112 dated 23rd June 1895

infd. 1085M
31-7-94

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedt Servt.,

W. Hammett
Chairman.

Local & Municipal Dept.
CURRENT No. 1710 M

From,

The Chairman
Municipal Council
Ootacamund

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
Local and Municipal department
Stone House Hill

CHIEF SECRETARY
22nd MAY 1895
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Dated 15th
Desp'd 20th } May 1895
Received

Enclosures one

Subject

Ootacamund Lake

Reporting the progress made in reclaiming a portion of the ____________ with a sketch showing the portion reclaimed &c.

Qa 665 m of 95
1005 m of 94
120 m of 94
43 m of 94
1570 m of 93
893 ~~Forml~~ 893

For orders.

H. M. and Civ

(through "Financial" with the request that a note may be added stating what funds are available)

CgF
8.VI.

As it has been decided that steps to fill the upper portion of the lake shall be taken by the P. W. D at an early date, it is submitted that the Council may be so informed and told that the Govt. will in consequence not sanction the grants now applied for

LP 12/6/95

Better simply leave this unanswered until we get the expected representations from the San: Bd. (a Comm:) & then deal with the whole question at once

WS
14/6/95

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Government of Madras
Sanitary Board Office.
Departments of General sanitation
and Sanitary Engineering

Present

The Honble. Col: Pennycuick - R.E.
Secretary to Government - P. W. Department.
Surgn: Lt. Col: W. G. King M.B. C.M. D.P.H.
Ag. Sanitary Commissioner
J. A. Jones Esqre. M.I.C.E. F.R.S.E.

Proceedings of the Sanitary Board No. 12. dated 12th June 1895.

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The Board having carefully inspected the condition of the upper portion of the Lake of Ootacamund, resolve to advise Government that its present condition is such as to form a sanitary dang to the public, and consequently detracts seriously from the advantages of this locality as a sanitarium. The Board are aware that this matter has been occupi the attention of Government for many years past, and that endeavours have been made to meet the requirement of filling

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the lake in an economical manner. In the opinion of the Board, however, the mode of late years selected of gradually filling it by encouraging silting, although not at first detrimental so long as its operation was confined to deeper parts of the lake, has, with approaching shallowness, become a serious source of nuisance by producing a highly marshy condition of the area. Taking into consideration the fact that the silt is derived from a stream which conveys the surface washings and sullage water from villages chiefly occupied by dhobies and cow-keepers, and that their sewage has been further added to for sometime past by the inefficient condition of the intercepting sewer, there has resulted a deposit containing large amounts of organic matter that, in slowly undergoing decomposition in this climate, in the midst of marshy ground, cannot fail to be highly obnoxious.

. The Board are informed that the neral condition of health of the population of Ootacamund near the lake has

not

not been in accord with the high standard desirable in a locality that ranks as the first sanitarium in India, and they would therefore advise that so evidently evil a sanitary condition should no longer be allowed to exist, and that the attempt to attain the desired end by simple silting should, in the interests of the public health, be forthwith abandoned in favor of filling the remaining portion of the upper end of the lake with building debris and clean earth. The Board also believe that the plan now advocated will be found more economical than that hitherto adopted of spreading the operation over a long series of years.

3. The Board would further point out that the mere filling of the lake cannot be regarded as sufficiently meeting sanitary ends, in that the portion hitherto so treated remains water-logged, and to all intents and purposes is consequently a marsh. The complete under-draining of the area and arranging for discharge of the ground water into the stream which flows below its general level is therefore regarded as an

Essential

essential procedure in securing full sanitary results.

Col. R. E.
President Sanitary Board

W G King

Surgn. Lieut. Col.
Member. Sanitary Board

M. I. C. E. F. R. S. E.
Member - Sanitary Board

To

The Chief Secretary
to Government
Public Department

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No. 1119/S.

OFFICE OF SANITARY ~~COMMISSIONER~~ Board,
General Sanitation Branch
Fort St. George, 27th June 1895.
Desp 3d July

From

SURGEON LIEUT.-COL. W. G. KING, M.B., C.M., D.P.H.,
SANITARY COMMISSIONER FOR MADRAS,

To

THE Chief Secretary to Government,
Local & Municipal Department,
Fort Saint George

Enclosure.

SIR,

I have the honor to forward herewith Proceedings of the Sanitary Board advising the abandonment of the present method of filling the upper portion of the Lake of Ootacamund, and suggesting the mode to be pursued hereafter.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant,
W G King
Surgeon Lieut Col.
Sanitary Commissioner [illegible]
& Secretary (General Sanitation Branch

Local & Municipal Department

Local & Municipal Dept.
CURRENT No. 2132 M

From

Surg: Lieut Col W. G. King, M.B., C.M., D.P.H.
Sanitary Commissioner for Madras

To,

The Chief Secretary to Govt,
Local & Municipl Dept,
Fort Saint George

Dated 27th June 1895
Despd 3rd } July "
Recd 3.VII.95

No 1119/6

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Subject

Forwards Resolution of the Sanitary Board advising the abandonment of the present method of filling up the upper portion of the Lake of Ootacamund and suggesting the mode to be pursued hereafter.

[1,500—27-3-94.]

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C.No. 1710 & 2132 M.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Current Nos. 1710 & 2132. M.

From

The Chairman, Municipal Council, Ootacamund &
The Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, respectively.

FOR ORDERS.

It appears from a note by the C.S. on Current 1710.M. that it has already been decided that the D.P.W. shall undertake this work. It is submitted that it may now be asked to send up at an early date an estimate for both filling up the lake with clean material & for draining it as suggested by the San. Board. The question of funds can thereafter be considered.

W.C. 20.7.95

23/7/95

24/7/95

25/7

29 July

C.S. 1710 in
& — 2132 M

C.S./ order. 3/8/95 No 1257 Mun

A Copy of the Proceedings of the San. Board will be communicated to the D.P.W. which will be requested to forward to Govt. at an early date Estimates both for filling up the portion of the lake referred to herein with clean material, & for draining such parts of the area as require it.

(for orders).

W.T. 31.7.95

1/8/95.

To,
The P.W. Dept
" San. Board. P.O
Desp. 9/8/95

Ootacamund Lake improvements

1710 & 2132 Mun

FOR ORDERS.

~~H.M. Leir~~
A.E. Bhanerman

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When examined
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Read again G.O., No. dated 189 ,

Current No.

Enclosures to C. No.

Order of Government .. .. .. A A A A A A A

Letter of Government.

Statement with ditto.

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