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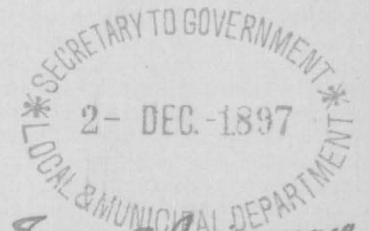
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From

The Chairman,
Municipal Council
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Order

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SUBJECT.

Elective Seats

Submitting resolution of the
Municipal Council, on the subject
of reducing the _____
to two, that it has no objection
to offer to the proposal of the
Government.

Yours
H. J. M.

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Reconstitution of the municipal council of Cotacamund

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., No. 2572 M, dated 15th November 1897.

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" " " 189 , " , "

Cotacamund

ORDER.

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The reduction in the number of elective seats from eight to two, proposed in the Proceedings read above to which the municipal Council has no objection, is approved. The Government also considers it desirable that the maximum strength of the municipal Council should be reduced from 16 to 12. The following notification will be published in the Fort Saint George and the Nilgiri District Gazettes:—

Notification

Whereas the municipal Council of Cotacamund, as at present constituted appears unequal to the administration of municipal affairs in the manner requisite for the maintenance of Cotacamund in its present position as one of the principal sanitarium

India, His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to declare under the provisions of section 12 of Act IV of 1884, as amended by Act III of 1897, and in modification of notifications, No 24, published in the Fort Saint George Gazette, Extraordinary, dated 17th March 1885 and No 189, published at page 67 of Part I-A of the Fort Saint George Gazette, dated 6th May 1890, that the number of Councillors of the Ootacamund Municipal Council shall be reduced from 16 to 12, whereof the number to be appointed by election shall be two.

(From orders)

V.R.
15/12/97

H.T.

15-12-97

To
The Chairman, M. C. Ootacamund
Collector of the Nilgiris
Gazetted 18/12/97
(Extraordinary) 20/12/97

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as below H.S.
11/12/97

as at present constituted,
appears unequal to the admin-
istration of local affairs in the manner
required for the maintenance of Ootacamund
in its present position as
one of the principal Sanitaria
in India

H.M.
The draft notice in the office
note seems to me too long, in
its statement of reasons. I
think it should run;

Whereas the Municipal
Council, Ootacamund, has failed in
its duty to provide sufficient
revenue for the proper adminis-
tration of the Town, and with
the present ^{constitution} proportion of elected
members appears unlikely to
consider any proposed increase
judiciously or impartially, to
agree to the enforcement of such
reasonable building regulations
as are considered necessary, and
generally to put in force the prin-
ciples of Municipal life recog-
nized as essential for a European
Sanitarium,

Why this date? Is that the notice by which
the 1st No. was fixed at 16(?)? No. correct.
And the notice fixing the 2nd selected mem-
ber is in S.O. 522 No. 1 must also be
referred to 28.3.90

Does need to say this - the law does so

shall be reduced from 16 to
twelve, whereof the number
to be appointed by election shall
be two

His Excellency the Governor in Council
is pleased to declare under the
provisions of S.12 of Act IV of
1884 as amended by Act III of 1897
in modification of the notification
published in Port St. George Gazette
Extraordinary dated 19. March 1885,
that ~~that after the expiry of three months~~
~~from the date of the publication~~
~~of this notification, the number~~
~~of Councillors of the Botacorum~~
~~Municipal Council to be appointed~~
~~by election shall be two instead~~
~~of eight~~

H.T.

11.12.97.

To the Chairman, M.C. Botacorum
Councillors of the Botacorum
Gazette.

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated 15th November 1897, No. 2512 *h*

Current No. 4152 of 1897, dated 27-11-1897 from the Chairman, M.C. Ootacamund.
Current No. of 189, dated from the

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P.S.

Order.

The Municipal Council of Ootacamund having agreed to the reduction in the number of elective seats from eight to two, proposed in the Proceedings read above, it is approved and the following notification will be published in the Fort Saint George and the Nilgiri District Gazettes:—

Notification

In view of the funds at the disposal of the Municipal Council of Ootacamund, being found to be inadequate to meet the ordinary demands of the Municipality so much so that liberal contributions had to be made by Government on several occasions for carrying out certain works, and of the fact that the need for law and other reforms resulting

The growing population of the town will in the near future become still more urgent, when the town expands, as it is certain to do, on the opening of the Nilgiri Railway, it is necessary that the resources of the Municipality should be considerably increased if the Municipal Council is to discharge satisfactorily the obligations which it owes to the rate-payers. Judging, however, from the recent proceedings of the Municipal Council in connection with the subject of taxation under the amended Municipal Act, it does not appear to be likely that the Council, which at present consists of a large proportion of elected members, who are directly or indirectly interested in the house property of the town to such an extent as possibly to affect their judgment in the matter, will judiciously and impartially consider any proposal for increasing taxation or will agree to the enactment of stringent building regulations.

regulations which are necessary in order to preserve and guard the Sanitary Conditions and the amenities of the town. ^{Moreover} ~~Besides~~, as Ootacamund was created by Europeans and its trade and prosperity depend upon their presence, and ^{as it is} ~~being~~ a sanitarium of the greatest importance to Europeans throughout India, it is proper that it should be administered so far as practicable in accordance with the recognized principles of European municipal life. But this it will be impossible to expect so long as the Council consists of a large proportion of elected members, for, as the experience of the past clearly indicates, it is not likely that a preponderating proportion of gentlemen possessed of the requisite knowledge and

and influence and capable of
appreciating the situation will
occupy a place on the Municipal
Council. In these circumstances,
His Excellency the Governor in
Council is pleased to declare as
under the provisions of Section
12 of Act IV of 1884, as amended
by Act III of 1897, and in as
modification of the notification
published in the Fort Saint George
Gazette Extraordinary dated 19th
March 1885, that, after the
expiry of three months from
the date of the publication of
this notification, the number of
Councillors of the Ootacamund
Municipal Council to be
appointed by Election shall be
two instead of eight.

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To, The Chairman, Muni. Council, Ootacamund.
" Collector of the District.

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