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G.O., No. 1838 M.

DATED 28-10-98.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Extension of Coonoor.

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Extension of Coonoor.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

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(From Orders.)

H. I.
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To
~~The Revenue Department for Counterinitials~~

To
The Collector of the Nilgiris with enclosures returned.
" Chairman, M.C., Coonoor
" ~~Revenue Department.~~

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(From Orders.)

To The Revenue Department for counter initials.

V.R.
20/10/98

To
The Collector of the Nilgiris.
with enclosures returned.
" Chairman, M.C., Coonoor.
" Revenue Department.

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C. No. 4341-M of 1897 and 1570 M of 1898

SUBJECT.

Extension of the native quarters - Coonoor Municipality.

FOR ORDERS.

H.M.

Seen
28/6/98

K.

Sec.
Please speak to me about this
HS
15/7/98

L.

H.M. I have spoken to H.M. about this, but no orders were passed. Would he like the Colr. & DFO to meet him at Coonoor on his way down?

If the Forest Reserve is infringed upon, Rev. will have to be consulted?
H.T.
8-10-98

The papers read above relate to the extension of the native quarters in the town of Coonoor.

2. The Sub-Committee, which was appointed by the municipal council to select a site fo the purpose, recommended a par of the Ghat Forest Reserve, known as the Tent Hill, as being the mo suitable one. The Collector (M Tremenheere) however objected to the grant of the Tent Hill Reserv and informed the council that the matter might drop, as the tow was extending itself on private land along the Old Ooty Road but as the council was not sa -fied with this decision, the m has now been placed before Gov

rent. In forwarding the council's resolution, the acting Collector (Mr Cowie) stated that he had not examined the Tent Hill Reserve, but he considered that as the sites on the Old Ooty Road were at an inconvenient distance from the azaar, the land near the centre of the town should, if possible, be made available and that the River Reserve, suggested by the District Forest Officer seemed to be the natural line of extension, although the valley was probably not so healthy as the Tent Hill. The Collector was thereupon requested to submit a sketch showing the existing limits of the town and the several localities which had been suggested by the Sub-Committee, the Collector and the District Forest Officer, in connection ith the proposed extension, and also the papers containing the views the District Forest Officer as to the nt of the Tent Hill Reserve.

3. With the second letter above, the Collector forwards ketch and the other papers

I don't agree with the Sec. that the M.C. couldn't regulate building on Tent Hill — It could

L.

make what stipulations it pleased as to style &c of buildings in the conveyances or leases it executed in favour of those persons whom it ~~permitted~~ to build there. Another thing it could do to prevent the ~~[illegible]~~ new suburb being an eyesore to people living on the opposite Hill would be to surround it with a belt of ~~[illegible]~~ suitable trees.

However, let the matter stand over. If more ground is wanted for building on, than private persons can provide for the purpose, let the strips of reserved forest on either side of the river be taken up first & Tent Hill later on, if found to be required.

O.M. No 90
26-1-98

M.

11/10/98

Cuo 1570.m.

on the subject. From these it will be seen that the objections raise by the District Forest Officer to the grant of the Tent Hill Reserve for the extension of the town were

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(1) that a native suburb will detract from the picturesqueness of the place and become an eyesore to the residents occupying houses on the side of the hill opposite the proposed new site and

(2) that the institution of a native quarter on the Ghat Reserve (Tent Hill) will involve a distinct danger from fire to the adjacent forests and lead to trouble in consequence of innumerable cases of petty pilfering and possibly serious damage by grazing and trespass of all kinds.

He, however, suggested that the extension be made in the "River Reserve" in continuation of, or at least near to, Wellington bazaars, where the existence of houses &c render an extension less remarkable and from an aesthetic point of view, less obj

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his remarks.× The council however, adheres to its decision, that the Tent Hill is the most suitable site, chiefly on the grounds

(1) that the extension would be on the top of a hill and not an eyesore to any one, the council taking all precautions to prevent this, when the buildings are being erected.

(2) that the land would be easily drained and easily reached by cart roads.

(3) that water is easily available and; (4) that it is in close proximity to the bazaar and to the municipal office.

4. The Tent Hill seems to be the most suitable site for the extension of the town and the objections to granting it for the purpose are not really very serious. ~~being mostly from an aesthetic point of view~~ Moreover sections 180 *et seq* of the amended act give ample powers to municipal councils to regulate the construction of buildings, so that the council

necessary

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×O.

P.

Well, the Coll. & the DFO differ from the writer of this note.
H.T.

ii What vitality this fallacy has! The Council can alter levels, ventilation, latrine accommodation & so on, but if I want to build a mud hut with flattened Kerosine tins for a roof, it cannot prevent me. I may run up as many "eyesores" as I please.

L.

There is a great deal of building going on at Coonoor, & the town is extending itself on private land along the old Ooty road – a very good line too. This being so, why should a Forest Reserve be given up? I don't think it necessary; but if it is held ~~so~~ necessary, I think to give up the river reserve along towards Wellington would spoil the place less than to perch a native suburb overhanging the flat road, causing all the inconveniences objected to by the DFO.

this Reserve is the

Rev. will have to be consulted.
H.T.

an eyesore, by imposing such conditions as it considers desirab

If, however, it is decided that the native quarters should not be extended in this direction, it seems better to drop the matter for the present, as originally suggested by the Collector (Mr Tremenhe

V.R.
22/6/98

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necessary

The Govt. considers that for the present ~~it may be left to private owners of land to provide for the extension of the~~ the town of Coonoor may be left to extend on private land. If more ground is found to be wanted for building than private persons can provide for the purpose, it will be considered whether the strips of reserved land on either side of the rivers, between Coonoor & Wellington, should be ~~taken up~~ utilized.

W.I. 23/10 98.

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9) Department.

CURRENT No. 4341 M

From the Collector of the Nilgiris

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
17. DEC.-1897
LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT

Do **No.** 3458/97-

Dated 14th December 97

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Coonoor Municipal Council Sub Committee's report regarding the extension of the Coonoor town. —

Forwarding for orders —

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H.T.
23-10-98.

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Local & Munl. (1897) Department.

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Copy to D.F.O.
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From the Collector of the Nilgiris

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
17. DEC.-1897
LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT

No. Dis 3658/97

Reference No. 90 dy 26-1-98
~~Order~~

The Collector is requested to submit at an early date a sketch showing the existing limits of the town, and the several localities which have been suggested by the Sub-Committee, the Collector and the District Forest Officer, in connection with the proposed extension: also the papers containing the H.T. [illegible] views of the D.F.O. as to the grant of Kent Hill Reserve.

P.R.
15/1/98

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Minutes of a Sub Committee meeting held at the Municipal Office on October 14th, 1897.

Present.

Brigade Surgeon Lieut Col W. Price
W. F Donaghue Esq
C. Gray Esq in Chair.

Town Extension.

Read the following letters:-

(1) $\frac{\text{No } 682}{1896/97}$ dated June 30th 1897 from Collector to Chairman saying he is not in favour of the extension of the Town in the Ghaut direction (i.e. on pieces $\frac{B}{71}$ and $\frac{C}{7}$ A.) and proposing taking up land on the old Ooty road.

The Committee having inspected the land have come to the decision that there is no land suitable for the town extension in the direction proposed by the Collector.

2. R No 97 dated 4 May 1897 - D. O. from C. G. Douglas, Esq District Forest Officer to the Chairman, saying he is not in favour of the town extension in the Ghaut direction as the buildings may be an eyesore; it will disfigure the forest, be a source of danger from fires; of annoyance and damage by petty pilferings, trespass; illicit grazing, &c and proposing the extension on the Wellington Bazar or River Reserve direction

See reply to above letter

The Committee having re-considered the matter of the town extension after perusal of the above letters, adhere to their former decision Viz that the land most suitable from every point ~~of view~~ is that formerly proposed Viz blocks $\frac{B}{71}$ and part of $\frac{C}{7}$ A for the following reasons:-

See [illegible] Reserve

(1) The extension would be on the top of a hill – and not an eyesore to any one, the Council taking all precautions to prevent this when the buildings are being erected.

(2) The land would be easily drained

(3) Water is easily available

(4) The land is easily reached by cart roads

(5) Close proximity to Bazaar

(6) Close to Municipal Office and thus saving time and trouble in inspecting and for conservancy purposes.

Native Cemeteries.–

Read former minutes dated February 24th/97, also application from Rev C. Fritz dated 15 July 1897.

The Committee would propose that about 14 Acres adjoining the present Church Missionary Society's Native grave yard in block A 119 A be acquired for the above purpose. It is found that 8 additional grave yards will be required as follows:–

1 Hindoos – 4 Acres
2 Roman Catholics 3 Acres.
3 Pariahs 2 Acres
4 Basel Mission 1 Acre
5 Tokes 1 Acre
6 American Mission 1 Acre
7 Kamalas ½ Acre
8 Chucklers ½ Acre
Total 13 Acres.

leaving one acre for roads divisions &c

Trial pits were dug and were satisfactory as at a depth of 6 feet no rock was met.–

Chas. Gray.
W. Price,

Extract from the Proceedings of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of Coonoor held on Thursday the 28th October 1897.

I Read report of the Sub Committee dated 14th October 1897 regarding the town extension and burial grounds.–

The Council concurs in the recommendations made by the Sub Committee, and the report will be forwarded to the Collector with request to submit the same to Government.

(A true extract)

E A Marjoribanks
Chairman.

Municipal Office,
Coonoor, 29 October 1897

To
The Collector of Nilgiris
Ootacamund.–

Ref Petn 827/97

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No 621

Extract from the Proceedings of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of Coonoor held on Thursday the 2nd December 1897

1. Read letter from the Collector dated 11th November 1897 on the Subject of the extension of the town and the transfer of the Cemeteries.

The Collector will be requested to forward the Sub Committees report and a copy of the Councils resolution on to Government and as regards the transfer of the Cemeteries a plan will be Submitted with the request that the land may be granted free.

(A true Extract) (Sd) J. A. Marjoribanks
Chairman.

Municipal Office
Coonoor 3rd Decr 1897

Endorsement

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4341 M

Forwarded to the Secretary to Government Local and Municipal Department

2. Mr. Tremenheere objected to the grant of the Tent Hill Reserve presumably for the reasons quoted in the minutes of the meeting of the Sub Committee and informed the Council that the matter might drop as the town is extending itself on private land along the old Ooty road, but the Council still desires that its request for the grant of Tent Hill Reserve may be forwarded to the ~~Court~~ Government

3 I have not examined Tent Hill Reserve but I consider that the sites on the Old Ooty Road are at an inconvenient distance from the bazaar and that the land near the centre of the town should if possible be made available. The District Forest Officer suggested the River Reserve and this seems to me the natural line of extension, though the valley is probably not so healthy as Tent

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Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 1570 M

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
4 MAY -1898
LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT

From The Collector of Nilgiris

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SUBJECT.

Proposed extension of Coonoor town.

Submitting plan showin and papers containin District Forest Officer views on the subject

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Nilgiri Collector's Office
Ootacamund 3 May 1898.

From D. W. G. Cowie Esquire
ag Collector of Nilgiris

LOCAL & [illegible] DEPT.
COL[illegible] 1570 M

To The Secretary to Government
Local and Municipal Department
Stone House
Ootacamund

Sir,

With reference to memorandum No 90 dated 26th January 1898, I have the honor to submit herewith a plan showing the existing limits of the Coonoor town and the several localities suggested by the Sub Committee and the District Forest Officer for the proposed extension of the town and also (vide slips marke A.B. & C) 3 papers containing the views of the District Forest Office as to the grant of Tent Hill Reser

2. The permanent Collector disagree with the views of the Sub Committe

BACK PAPERS.

As to the proposed Conversion of the Tent Hill Forest Reserve ~~*Vice slips~~ D and E dropped the matter with the remark that the town is extending itself on private land along the Old Ootacamund road in the direction of Lohpattoor.

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

DWG Cowie
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Ag Collector

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