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FORT ST. GEORGE.
15th May 1857.

No. 942.

From

H. FORBES, Esq.,
Acting Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George.

To

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL W. E. BAKER,
Secretary to the Government of India, D. P. W.

SIR,

In the 35th paragraph of my letter of the 12th of March last, No. 462, forwarding the statements of projects of Public Works proposed to be undertaken in 1857-58, the Government of India were informed that, in consequence of the frequent presence of virulent cholera in the present Jail at Salem, this Government had considered it highly inexpedient that another season should be allowed to pass without provision being made for the removal of the prisoners from the pestilential site occupied by the Jail, and had consequently authorized the immediate collection of materials in anticipation of the sanction of the Governor General in Council being given to the erection of a new Prison.

2. The copy of a report from the Inspector of Prisons, dated the 20th April No. 143, which I enclose and which I am directed to request that you will lay before the Governor General in Council, will shew the Government of India that the inmates of the Jail at Salem have been again visited with the disease, and that it has prevailed in its most virulent form.

3. I am desired to express the conviction of this Government that the Governor General in Council will entirely agree with them on the necessity for the adoption of immediate measures for the erection at Salem, of a Jail, which shall not be subject to such visitations as frequently assail the inmates of the present Prison, and I am to request the immediate sanction of the Government of India to the commencement of the new Jail, the expenditure hitherto authorized by this Government having had reference to the collection of materials only, and not to the execution of the work.

4. I am further directed to request that the order of the Government of India on this subject may be communicated by Electric Telegraph.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

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H. M. Baker
Esq
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But another reason should be allowed to pass without no- -tice in being made for the removal of the prisoners from the pestilential site occupied by the Jail, and that Lord Cor- -responding authoriz- -ed the immediate collection of materials in anticipation of the sanction of the G. G. in C. being given to the erection of a new Jail Prison

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Fort St. Geo:
15th May 157.

I. G.

Public Works 1857 Departt.
Dt. to Covr 19th May.

No 912.

To
The Secretary to the
Govt. of India. D. P. W.

Dt 15th May 57.

Sir
From Dt. 28th May 57 & No. 1202 in Com
16 June

Soliciting the Sanction of the Govt. of India, for the Commencement of a new Jail at Salem, & requesting that their order may be communicated by Electric Telegraph. —

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