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*Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 12th April 1859.*

No. 71. Read the following Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Judicial Department, dated 6th April 1858, No. 460.

Entrusting to Mr. Rohde, the entire Building of the Jail at Ootacamund, and ordering him to make immediate arrangements for undertaking it himself as he offered. } (Vide Judicial Consultation, 12th April 1859, Nos. 1 @ 3.)

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No. 72. ORDER THEREON, No. 850; dated 11th April 1859.

Ordered to be communicated to the Chief Engineer for information and guidance.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
*Secretary to Government.*

No. 460.

*Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 6th April 1859.*

Read the following letter from J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated 25th March 1859, No. 116.

SIR,

In acknowledging Extract from the Minutes of Consultation 21st March, No. 378, communicating a letter from Captain Yule, requiring to know whether any further information has been received from me relative to the Ootacamund Prison sanctioned by the Supreme Government, I have the honor to state that I saw Captain Lawford on my return from the Ceded Districts in January, and requested that the work might go on, as it did not appear that any objection existed on his part which had not been met by the remarks of the Government in the 2nd para. of the Extract from the Minutes of Consultation 25th November 1858, No. 1671, Judicial Department.

2. The Government are aware that I have nothing to do with the building, but unless I find that progress has been made when I visit the hills next month, I would propose that it should be left to me to make arrangements for expediting the work.

3. I believe that by employing Convict labor and making use of the services of a very satisfactory Jailer and sensible man, Mr. Warburton, in superintendence, very great economy in the execution of the work may be attained.

4. If the Government should be disposed to adopt this course, I would *now* in Madras get what is wanted of iron work, &c.

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*Order.*—Resolved that the foregoing letter, and that recorded in Consultation 4th January last, No. 4, be communicated to the Government of India, in reference to Secretary Colonel Yule's letter, 3rd March last, No. 1165.

2. In Extract Minutes Consultation 10th December 1858, No. 1730, the Collector of Coimbatore was desired, through the Revenue Department, to secure the site selected for the Jail, and in Extract Minutes Consultation 22nd Idem, No. 1783, orders were requested to be issued, in the Public Works Department, for the collection of materials.

3. From Mr. Rohde's present letter it seems that in January last, he communicated with Lieutenant Colonel Lawford, and whether any thing really has been done, either in the collection of materials or in the prosecution of the work, does not appear, but on consideration of the whole matter the Government have resolved to accept Mr. Rohde's offer and to entrust to him the entire building of the Jail. He will consequently make immediate arrangements for relieving the Public Works from further charge of the work and for undertaking it himself. He will whilst at Madras procure the iron work, &c., that he may require and apply to Government for any thing else that he may want.

(True Extract and Copy.)

*Chief Secretary.*

To the Inspector General of Jails.
" Public Works Department.
" Revenue Department.

Ext. F. Cartledge.

From the Bo of the Madras
Pt. Jud. Dept. D/4th
May 1859 Cln. 1150 in Cons.

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No. 71 & 72.

P. Works 1859 Dept.
Do to Cons. 12 April.

No. 883.

Extract Minutes Cons.
in the Judicial Dept.

Dated 6th
Received 11th
} 9th April 1859
No. 460.

From Chief Engr. 2nd May
1859, C. No. 1062. Cons.
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Entrusting to Mr. Roberts the entire building of the Jail at Colaba and ordering him to make immediate arrangements for undertaking it himself as he offered.

No. 850. 11th April 1859.
With an order &

No. 850.

Ordered to be communicated to the Chief Engineer for information and guidance.

Fort St. George
11th April 1859

Copy to the Chief Engr.
with 10 Copies of the Chief Engr.'s
C. No. 460.