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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
for the month of March 1860.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 107. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department, dated 27th February 1860, No. 832.

Communicating certain papers from the Commissary General
relative to the purchase of Mr. Watson's building and
ground at Cocanada, in view to their subject being included
in the report on the Godavery route generally. } (Vide Military Proceedings from 21st to 29th
February 1860, Nos. 143-144.)

No. 108. From R. WATSON, Esq., to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Chandah, 17th February 1860.

Referring to Proceedings of the Madras Government, 13th December 1859, No. 2891, I have the honor to offer the Godown and land at Cocanada therein alluded to for the sum of eight thousand Rupees. By last advices from Cocanada the Title Deeds were still in the hands of the Collector, who has, however, been instructed to deliver them to Messrs. Binny and Co. of Madras. This Firm will make over the Title Deeds to Government in the event of the acceptance of my tender, and receive payment of the purchase money.

No. 109. ORDER THEREON, 17th March 1860, No. 570.

A Commissariat Store is absolutely necessary at Cocanada, and the report of Major Horsley and Captain Rundall shews that the building and surrounding piece of land referred to in these papers will be cheap at 7,000 Rupees the sum which appears to have been asked for it by Mr. Murray. The Commissary General also decidedly recommends the purchase.

Mr. Watson, who also claims to have the right to sell the property, asks 8,000 Rupees for it.

2. The Government resolve to authorize the purchase, for such sum not exceeding 8,000 Rupees as may be ultimately agreed on. The Government Solicitor will be instructed to ascertain who is really entitled to sell the premises, and to complete the transaction with such person. He will communicate with the Chief Engineer on any points that may arise, if he should find it expedient.

3. The purchase having been made, the Chief Engineer will submit Plans and Estimates of the additions and improvements necessary to fit the building for a Commissariat Store, and also of the Office buildings stated to be required.

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

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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From the Commissary General, Madras, 10th February 1860, No. 34; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort Saint George.

With reference to the order of Government, I have the honor to report, that Major Horsley and Captain Rundall have addressed me a joint letter (copy of which is forwarded) submitting their opinion as to the advisability of purchasing the building and ground at Kakinada, offered for sale by Mr. Watson.

No. 2891, dated 13th December 1859.

Dated 14th January 1860.

2. These Officers having duly considered all the advantages and disadvantages connected with the building, are still of opinion, that the purchase should be made.

3. The cost, however, of placing it in an efficient state for Commissariat purposes, will, together with the sum asked for the building as it now stands, amount as estimated to 20,000 Rupees.

4. I consider it of very great importance that the Commissariat should have ample room for the protection of its own Stores and those of other Departments, until opportunities occur of forwarding them to their destination, I am of opinion too, that Kakinada itself should be the place where the Establishment of the Executive Commissariat Officer for the Northern Division should be located, and I have accordingly transferred it from Masulipatam to Samulcottah as a temporary measure, there being no suitable place for an Office at Kakinada, and no dwelling house for the Officer, and Samulcottah is the nearest point distant 10 miles from Kakinada, where those conveniences can be hoped for.

5. The only hesitation I have in recommending that the building should be purchased, is, on account of the apparently large sum required to put it into an efficient state, but both Major Horsley and Captain Rundall consider, that it would be an economical purchase, that the Public Works Department could not erect a similar building at so moderate a rate, and that valuable ground is obtained with the building in addition considering therefore, the importance of having at an early period a suitable building for Commissariat purposes at Kakinada, I beg to join those Officers in recommending the purchase and improvement of the building.

6. At Budrachellum some kind of building should be erected for the protection of Stores awaiting Carts for their transport, and during the period when Stores are being carried up the river. There should be a native Agent of the Department with a small Establishment and perhaps a European Warrant or Non-Commissioned Officer at that place the expense attending which, cannot immediately be ascertained, but means will be taken to ascertain and a report made thereon.

From the Deputy Chief Engineer, N. C. and Consulting Engineer I. C., Dowlaiswerim, 14th January 1860; to the Commissary General, Madras.

With reference to Proceedings of Government of 13th December last, we have now the honor to communicate to you the result of our joint inspection of the building at No. 2891. Kakinada tendered for sale by Mr. Watson.

The building itself is in an unfinished state, there being as yet no floor, and the roof incomplete. The design also is defective. We are of opinion, however, that it still would be advisable to purchase it, together with the land connected with it, for the sum offered, Rupees 7,000, and incur the expence of the necessary alterations, as the Public Works Department could not construct a new building of an equal area 7200 square feet inside measurement for an equal sum, and there is the land in addition.

Our inquiries, however, have elicited the fact that there are difficulties in the way of effecting an immediate purchase, inasmuch as there are two parties who lay claims to the property. The present holder, Mr. C. W. Murray asserts, that he has a lien on the building in virtue of having been the party instructed to erect it, and that he has never yet been reimbursed for a large portion of the outlay, and therefore declines to part with it to any one until such claim has been settled. He states that Mr. Watson's Power of Attorney, as Messrs. Livingston's Agent no longer holds good, as that Firm has been dissolved, and in order to secure himself from loss, Mr. Murray has placed the matter in the hands of the Zillah Court.

We would therefore suggest that the Government should make the offer through Mr. Murray to Messrs. Livingston and Co., their assigns, leaving them to arrange the matter between themselves and Mr. Murray.

Although we disapprove of the design and method of construction, we find on examination that the main walls are substantially built are in good order, and that with an additional expenditure of about Rupees 7,000, the building can be rendered in every respect suitable for the purposes required, and that it, with the land, will even then be an economical purchase.

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