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

No. 131. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Ecclesiastical Department, dated 14th April 1860, No. 112:—

Ordering that the District Engineer of Vizagapatam be } (Vide Ecclesiastical Proceedings from 11th to
called on for an Estimate for forming a new Cemetery on } 20th April 1860, Nos. 2-3.)
the site proposed by the Collector.

No. 132. ORDER THEREON, 17th April 1860, No. 791.

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

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Dy. Secretary to Government.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from E. G. R. FANE, Esq., Collector of Vizagapatam, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 24th March 1860, No. 252.

I have the honor to forward herewith a letter* from the Chaplain of this station, reporting the urgent necessity for either a new Burial Ground, or for the taking in a piece of land immediately adjoining the present one. This latter is next to impossible. The Burial Ground is in a very crowded neighbourhood, and is surrounded by tiled houses, and the compensation that the Government would have to give to their owners on their removal, would amount to as large a sum as the taking in and enclosing an entirely new spot. When the greater number of the Europeans of this station were located at Vizagapatam, the situation of the present Burial Ground was convenient enough, but now that Artillery and European Infantry are stationed at Waltair, the old Burial Ground is too far off, and the having a new one therefore at the place hereunder proposed would be a great convenience and would shorten the distance that the Soldiers have to march to a funeral by nearly a mile.

2. The ground I propose to take in and request the sanction of Government for, is at the back of the present Cutcherry; and is within a few yards of the spot proposed by Mr. Griffiths. It is to be observed, that all land in this neighbourhood, is proprietary, and has to be paid for. The bit of land in question, is some maniam land bought at a public sale by the present owner, and he agrees to let it in perpetuity to Government for 37 Rupees a year. A quit-rent of 3 rupees, 5 annas and 4 pie, is payable to the Waltair proprietor. It measures 149 yards East to West and 143 North to South.

As the case is urgent, I beg the Government will give their opinion and sanction at as early date as possible; as soon as sanctioned, an emergent estimate can be made for building a wall, &c.

From the Reverend J. GRIFFITHS, Chaplain; to E. G. FANE, Esq., Collector of Vizagapatam, dated Waltair, 19th March 1860.

With reference to the crowded state of the present Burial Ground, I have the honor to draw your attention to my previous letters on the subject for the last 3 years, and to inform you that there is only room for 2 or 3 more, while the arrival of the Horse Artillery has rendered the enlargement necessary as soon as possible, or,

Should this not be practicable, I beg to suggest the formation of a new one near the Public Bungalow, to which a road may be made with advantage to the community from the Town road as well as from the opposite side, and be thus equidistant.

While this is being prepared, I trust you will allow a portion of the triangular space in front of the present Burial Ground to be enclosed by a rough wall for the purpose, and that the remainder up to the Tamarind tree may be allotted to me to build a reading room for the Band men of the Native Regiment, as per plan annexed.

The accomplishment of these 2 latter objects would go far to remove the unseemly use now made of the vacant space, and which is most offensive to those who have to attend the funerals of their friends, besides affording a place for the rabble to congregate and make a disturbance on occasions of a Military funeral, which is invariably done to the annoyance and distress of the mourners.

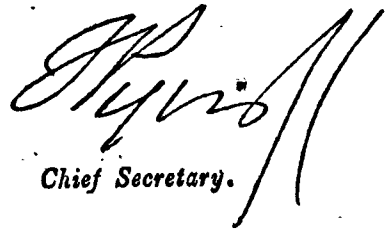
ORDER THEREON, 14th April 1860, No. 112.

On the grounds stated in the foregoing letter, the Government agree with the Collector that, of the two plans referred to, the formation of a new Cemetery on the site proposed in paragraph 2 is preferable. He is accordingly authorized to secure the land in question in perpetuity on

payment of Rupees (37) thirty-seven per annum, if it cannot be bought outright which the Government prefer and which they authorize the Collector at once to effect, if he be able—reporting the amount hereafter for sanction.

2. The District Engineer will be called upon, through the Department Public Works, to submit, as early as practicable, an estimate for enclosing the ground with a wall and for the erection of a suitable gate, and anything else that may be required.

(True Extract.)


Chief Secretary.

To the Collector of Vizagapatam.

„ Department Public Works. ✓
„ Right Reverend the Lord Bishop.
„ Civil Auditor.
„ Accountant General. /

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Ordering that the
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 forming a new cemetery
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As directed to the Chief
 Engineer for information
 and guidance.

W. H. H. H.

Thos. W. H. H.
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