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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
13th January 1864.*

No. 241. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Public Works Department :—

Forwarding copy of an Advertisement in regard to the lease of a site for a first class Hotel proposed to be built on the Esplanade of Bombay, and requesting that it may be published in two of the leading Newspapers at Fort Saint George. } (Here enter 16th December 1863, No. 1,601.)

No. 242. ORDER THEREON, 13th January 1864, No. 118.

1. Ordered that copy of the Advertisement received with the foregoing letter be forwarded to the Superintendent Government Gazette Press, for publication in six successive issues of the "Fort Saint George Gazette."

2. Ordered also that the Proprietors of the "Madras Athenæum" and the "Madras Times" be requested to insert the Advertisement referred to in four successive issues of their respective papers.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintendent Government Gazette Press,

" Proprietor "Madras Athenæum,"
" Do. "Madras Times and Spectator." } with copy of the Advertisement.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

To Hotel Companies
and others,
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Site of valuable ground for
Hotel purposes in the immediate
vicinity of the principal passenger
landing place, the termini of the
Bombay and Baroda, and Great
Indian Peninsula Railway trunk
lines, the Public offices, Banks, and
principal Commercial Establishments,
to be disposed of on the Esplanade,
Island of Bombay.

Her Majesty's Government
of Bombay are prepared to receive
tenders for the purchase on a building
lease, for the term of 99 years from the
1st August 1864, at an annual rent
of one Rupee an acre, of a plot of
ground measuring 4 acres, on which
is to be built a first class Hotel to
contain not less than 300 bedrooms.

The upset price of Rs 1,000,000 has been fixed; a tender at a lower rate will be rejected.

2 Plans of the ground may be seen on application to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for India, India Office, London, or to the Superintending Engineer Presidency Division, Bombay, or at the office of the Secretary to Government Public Works Department. Enclaves.

3 Persons tendering must deposit in Cash, or Government Security duly endorsed, the sum of £ 1,000 with the Secretary of State or the sum of Rupees 1,00,000 with the Chief Secretary to Government of Bombay.

4 The Secretary of State will give a Certificate acknowledging the receipt of any such deposit in England, and no tender will be considered unless such deposit has been made in England or Bombay.

5 The deposits of unsuccessful tenderers may be received in Bombay by parties who have made the deposit there, on or after the 1st April 1864, and by the 1st Mail leaving Bombay in April, the Secretary of State will be informed of the result of the tender in order that any parties who have made the deposit in England may receive their deposits immediately after the arrival of that Mail.

6 The amount of the deposit of the party whose tender may be accepted will, if such deposit has been made in sterling, be estimated at the exchange of 2/8 per Rupee.

7 The balance of the purchase money must be paid in Bombay on or before the 1st August 1864, and in default, the deposit will be forfeited and the party will lose all right to the land.

8 The party whose tender may be accepted must submit finished designs and specifications for the Hotel for the approval of the Government of Bombay on or before the 1st July 1866.

9 The persons whose tender may be accepted will before they are let into possession, be required to sign an agreement to erect and completely finish, to the satisfaction of the Lepors' Surveyor, or in conformity with the approved designs and specifications, a first class Hotel with all proper and convenient outbuildings, before the 1st August 1867 and to have the buildings covered in by such time as shall be fixed by the Lepors' Surveyor.

10 The agreement will contain clauses binding the lessees to keep the premises in repair and properly drained, and to pay all rates and taxes, to use them only for first class Hotel or

purposes which in the opinion of the Government of Bombay, may be subsidiary thereto, to keep the building and fixtures insured in the lessees' name, in the sum of Rs. 1,00,000 at least; not to assign or underlet without licence, - and all such other covenants, conditions, covenants, and provisions as shall be deemed proper or necessary by the Surveyor appointed by Govt.

11 The lessees are not to be at liberty to inquire into the Lepors' title

12 On the completion of the building to the satisfaction of the Surveyors a lease will be granted on the lessees' executing a counterpart thereof, such lease or counterpart and the said agreement to be prepared by the Lepors' solicitor at the lessees' expense.

13 Sealed tenders must be delivered at the Secretariat Bombay and be addressed to the Chief Secretary to

Government and endorsed "Tender
for Hotel" and unless the deposit
has been paid in Bombay, must
be accompanied by a Certificate that
the deposit has been paid to the
Secretary of State. All tenders must
be delivered on or before noon of
the 15th March 1864 unless the mail
leaving England on or about the 18th
February 1864 has not then been
delivered in Bombay, in which case,
tenders will be received up to 24 hours
after the arrival of such mail.

By order of His Excellency
the Governor in Council

M. W. Kennedy Esq. R.E.
Secretary to Government

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N^o 1601 of 1863,
Public Works Department

To The Secretary to the Government
of Madras,

Sir, I am transmitting to you the ac-
companying copy of an advertisement in
regard to the lease of a site for a first
class Hotel proposed to be built on
the Esplanade of Bombay. I am directed
to convey the request of the Honble the
Governor in Council that the Government
of Madras will be so good as to cause
it to be published in two of the leading
Newspapers at Fort St. George.

I am also directed to forward to
you copies of a small Map on which the site is
marked for the information of persons pro-
posing to tender for the lease.

The upset price fixed on the
site is from one half to two thirds the
full value of the land in fee simple ac-
cording to the prices of land now ruling
in the neighbourhood.

4 I shall feel obliged by your
forwarding a copy of the draft advertise-
ment and of the map showing the site
to any person or company who may
apply for information on the subject.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

~~Yours~~ Sir, Coll. R. C.

Secretary to Government

Bombay Castle
16th December 1863,

8-115-15 January 1962
With an Order

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Ordered that copy of Mr. Robertson's memorial with the foregoing letter be forwarded to the Superintendent Government Gazette ^{Office} for publication and a reference be made of Mr. Smith's George Gazette.

in & successful issues of this sort. I
 ordered also that the signature of the medical officers and the
 medical director be requested to insert the advertisement referred to in its disapproval.

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