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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
8th January 1864.*

No. 125. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Ecclesiastical Department:—

Requesting to issue the necessary orders to the Officer in charge of the Range to prepare a Plan and Estimate for the erection of a small Church at Pulicat, Madras District. } (Here enter 24th December 1863, No. 307.)

No. 126. ORDER THEREON, 8th January 1864, No. 60.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, for early attention with reference to paragraph 1.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.

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ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from the Right Reverend the Bishop of Madras ; to the Honorable the Governor in Council, &c., &c., dated Bombay, 4th December 1863.
I beg to submit to your Honor in Council the accompanying papers relating to the Church at Pulicat.

In September last I saw the Church, and it was evident that considerable repairs were urgently required.

I was informed by the Reverend Mr. Shutie that at certain times of the year, when the number of visitors at Pulicat is large, the amount of accommodation is quite insufficient. The ventilation also is bad.

If funds can be raised sufficient to build a new Church, this step will no doubt be greatly preferable to that of repairing the present structure.

There is a site available for the purpose, viz. the place where the old Dutch Fort stood, and this is much more convenient than the site of the present Church. The materials of the old Church might be made available in building a new one. The sale of the ground on which the present Church stands would moreover furnish a sum towards defraying the building expenses.

The community at Pulicat will only be able to contribute a small portion of the whole amount likely to be required for erecting and furnishing the proposed Church.

Under the circumstances I beg to recommend to your Honor in Council that, if possible, a liberal grant be made for the erection of a new Church, and if not, that the necessary orders for repairing the old one be issued without delay.

(Signed) F. MADRAS.

ORDER THEREON, 24th December 1863, No. 307.

Orders will be issued in the Department of Public Works, directing the Officer in charge of the Range to prepare a plan and estimate for the erection of a small Church at Pulicat, the materials of the present building and the proceeds of the sale of the ground on which it stands being made available for the purpose.

2. The Commissary of the Diocese will be requested to ascertain how much the residents of Pulicat are prepared to contribute towards the erection of a new Church.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Right Reverend the Bishop.
" Commissary of the Diocese.
" Public Works Department,
(with seven enclosures.)

Ed. T. McMoohey.

