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27th April 1865.*

No. 492. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department:—

Deciding on the extent of land which }  
should be purchased for the conser- } (Here enter 26th April 1865, No. 860.)  
vancy of the Adyar river.

No. 493. ORDER THEREON, 27th April 1865, No. 1,135.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 85.

Communicated for the information and guidance of the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, who will report forthwith the amount that will have to be paid for the extent of land which it has now been decided on purchasing for the conservancy of the Adyar river. On receipt of this information the Government will be prepared to allot the required amount with a view to payment being made by the 30th instant.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, with five enclosures.  
„ Controller of Public Works Accounts.  
„ Revenue Department.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

No 306. Read the following letter from Colonel A. J. M. BOILEAU, R. E.,  
Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E.,  
Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 22nd  
November 1864, No. 4,279 —

SIR,

3 Sketch Maps, Nos. 1, 2, and 3.  
2 Letters  
No. 147, dated 12th September 1864  
No. 164, dated 18th November 1864

1. Government, in their Proceedings No. 1,807, dated 21st June 1864, approved of the purchase of 22 Cawnies, 17 Grounds, and 645½ Square feet of land adjoining Pugh's Gardens for the conservancy of the Adyar river at a cost of Rupees 3,271-9-9.

2. The above area comprises the two spaces marked B. and C. in the accompanying small Sketch Map (No. 1.) signed by the Collector, it not being, however, very clearly shewn therein whether the black line R. S. or the red line T. V. W. forms the northern boundary of the purchased property.

3. On the 12th September Mr. Fraser, Special Executive Engineer, met Messrs. Dale and Richardson at Pugh's Gardens, and not being in possession of Sketch Map (No. 1) proceeded to mark out a line represented in red in Plan No. 2, and which was supposed by him fairly to define the new boundary, and which indeed is spoken of in the Board's Proceedings No. 135, dated 2nd June 1864, as that which determined the extent of land which Government had decided on securing. Messrs. Dale and Richardson, however, objected to that line, and stated that it was not that which they had contemplated, which was much more to the south, and which is roughly indicated in a blue dotted pencil line in Sketch No. 2.

4. On receiving, after many references, Sketch No. 1, and comparing it with Sketch No. 2, I found great discrepancies between them, and I requested Mr. Fraser to have a correct survey prepared. That, Sketch No. 3, is also herewith forwarded. Upon it is shewn the red line of Sketch No. 2 (with good reason, I think, objected to by Messrs. Dale and Richardson), the black line of Mr. Banbury's Sketch No. 1, and the ridge dividing the high and the low ground. This survey not only shews former dimensions, to be at fault, but, if based upon good information, upsets all former calculations inasmuch as it shews the limits of Pugh's Gardens to be confined within the line C. F., and makes out the plot (No. 3) of 4 Acres, 14 Grounds, and 1,319 Square feet to be land *already belonging to Government*!

5. This, however, must be a mistake, as the Collector of course is best informed on this point, and would never have recommended for purchase by Government, land which is already their property.

6. The black dotted line on Sketch No. 3, or what is nearly commensurate with it, the north side of Mr. Fraser's proposed extension of Greenaway's Road, is I

The Supy Engr to Govt & Enclaves. J. W. W.  
Cont. of Mr. Orr's J. W. W. 27th April.

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believe the boundary line which should be adopted. The correct area of land to be purchased is therefore:—

|                                    | Cawnies. | Grounds. | Square feet. |                                                 |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|--------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| B                                  |          | 18       | 1,808        |                                                 |
| No. 2                              | 16       | 0        | 1,527        |                                                 |
| No. 3                              | 4        | 14       | 1,319        | Value, at Rupees 6 per<br>Ground Rs. 3,083-10-3 |
| Total                              | 21       | 9        | 2,254        |                                                 |
| Already authorized for<br>purchase | 22       | 17       | 645½         | Rs. 3,271-9-9                                   |
| Difference                         | 1        | 7        | 791½         | Rs. 187-15-6                                    |

7. Mr. Kennedy's idea was that Government would do well to purchase the whole property forming Pugh's Gardens. Mr. Fraser supports him in this view, observing that "it lies opposite the entrance of the Sadras Canal; the lower part is much used for the present traffic, and if the Southern (meaning the junction A. B.) Canal be ever carried out, Government *must* purchase the entire compound. It then becomes a question whether it would not be best to purchase (or rather to take over) the whole premises now when their value is very small, rather than have to buy them at an exorbitant price from whoever may purchase them at the coming Auction sale. Government could not possibly lose. They must gain by taking over the whole premises in their present state. The buildings could be put into good order for 1,000 Rupees, and would let for 1,000 Rupees a year, but they are so conveniently situated for a Canal Office and Stores and for a residence for the Engineer that they might be appropriated to that purpose *at a rent*, and Government would then have them, if they were required for public purposes, and could at any time sell them if they were not."

8. The further orders of Government on the points now adduced are solicited.

Referred to the Revenue Department, with reference to Proceedings of that Department, No. 988, dated 23rd October 1863.

CHEPAUK,  
28th November 1864.

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

No. 307. ORDER THEREON, 26th April 1865, No. 860.

**Miscellaneous.**

• Dated 26th March 1858

The Government consider it sufficient at present to purchase only the piece of land within the yellow line on the accompanying map X. This line is simply a continuation of the northern bank of the river, from Mr. Boyson's compound to the line laid down from the western end of Mr. Norton's compound, and

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the northern apex of the land lately purchased from that gentleman. The line will be marked out at once with permanent boundary marks, and payment for it will be made before the 30th instant.

(True Extract.)

*[Signature]*

Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department.  
„ the Board of Revenue.  
„ the Accountant General.

*[Signature]*

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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No 1135  
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Under date the 27<sup>th</sup> April 1865  
Read the following

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of land which should be purchased for the Conservancy  
of the Adyar river. (Entered 26 April 1865  
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Communicated for the information & guidance of the Supt. Engineer & Dr who will report forthwith the amount that will have to be paid for the extent of land which it has now been decided on purchasing for the Concomancy of the Rogers river. On receipt of this information the Govt. will be prepared to allot the required amount with a view to payments being made by the 30<sup>th</sup> Instant.

The Supg Engrs to Dr Webb & Engrs. ✓ C.B.  
Cont. of Mr acct ✓ Dec<sup>r</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> April.  
Rev Depts ✓ Dec<sup>r</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> May

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