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15th August 1865.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 379. From W. FRASER, Esq., C. E., Special Executive Engineer, to
Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works
Department, dated Mount Road, 30th July 1865, No. 24.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to request information on a point connected with the proposed Reservoir at the Mount.
2. The site formerly selected for the bund is a little above the bridge over the Adyar on the Panamalee road; but there would be some advantages, in a pecuniary point of view, in placing the bund higher up the valley.
3. What I want to know is whether there were any Military reasons for selecting that site, and, if so, what they were.
4. As the Reservoir is partly intended for the use of the Troops quartered at the Mount, I should be glad to be furnished with a Memorandum from the Military authorities conveying their wishes regarding the site, height of water surface, &c. &c., or, if necessary, I would meet any Officer on the ground and receive the information there.
5. I marked out on Saturday last what I consider to be the best site for the bund, near the bridge; and the Surveyors will be at work on it to-morrow morning, so that I should like to be furnished with the information required as early as possible.

1. The undersigned has the honor to request Mr. Fraser to be good enough to submit a plan showing the position of the two sites referred to in paragraph 2 of this letter, and to state when and by whom the site "a little above the bridge over the Adyar" was selected.

2. Mr. Fraser will also be good enough to quote the Nos. and dates of previous correspondence on the subject of the proposed Reservoir.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
5th August 1865.

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

No. 380. From W. FRASER, Esq., C. E., Special Executive Engineer, to
Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works
Department, dated Mount Road, 10th August 1865, No. 25.

SIR,

- 1 Sketch of the proposed tank at Mount.
1 Letter No. 24.

1. In returning my letter No. 24, dated 30th July 1865, with the endorsement thereon, I have the honor to state that there is no correspondence in my

Office about the proposed tank at the Mount.

for the use of the Troops quartered at the

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2. In the Proceedings of the Madras Government, No. 502, dated 24th June 1862, paragraph 5, there is an allusion to the proposed tank; a survey was made of it by Colonel O'Connell, R.E., but I have been unable to discover any of his plans. Some levels were taken by Captain Moberly, R.E., who I believe adopted the site surveyed by Colonel O'Connell.

3. I send up a sketch showing the site of the tank. If the lower site be approved of, the blue dotted line *a* is the best place for the bund; but it may be that, when the necessary sections are prepared, I should prefer the site marked by the dotted line *b*; unless, as I pointed out before, there is some Military reason for placing the tank lower down. Under ordinary circumstances I should be guided in my choice by physical features alone, but in this case there are probably other considerations which should be taken into account.

4. The blue dotted line *b* is along a line of rocks which lie on the west side of the maidan, upon which it is proposed to erect the new Military buildings. The proposed tank, if the bund be placed at *a*, would cover a considerable portion of this maidan, but Captain Moberly proposed to embank all round to prevent the water from spreading.

If the bund were placed at *b*, the maidan would not be interfered with.

5. If the tank were placed at the lower site, and if it could not be kept always full it might become a nuisance and source of sickness if the remainder of the maidan were crowded with buildings.

I have written to Captain Rogers, R.E., to ascertain to what extent the maidan is likely to be built upon.

6. I have been informed that one reason for desiring a tank at the Mount is to have an opportunity of exercising the Troops in pontooning. For this purpose the lower tank would be more favorable than the upper. The lower site would also probably be the best if it be looked at from a strategic point of view.

7. The survey of the lower site is being proceeded with, but before deciding on the place for the bund I should be glad to know if any thing but the physical features of the ground should be taken into consideration.

No. 381. From the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division:—

Forwarding a general plan of the ground near the Mount showing sites on which it is proposed to erect the new building for the Ordnance Establishments. (Here enter 8th August 1865, No. 1,257.)

No. 382.

ORDER THEREON, 15th August 1865, No. 2,371.

MILITARY WORKS, No. 33.

These letters, with their accompanying sketch, will be referred to the Superintending Engineer of the 4th Division, with a request that, in conjunction with Mr. Fraser, and in communication with the

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Military authorities, he will select a suitable site for the proposed Adyar Tank near Saint Thomas's Mount, and show its position, with reference to the contemplated new Military buildings, and the area it will cover, on a plan drawn to the same scale as that which was submitted with his letter No. 1,257, dated 8th August 1865.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, with sketch.
" Military Department.
To W. Fraser Esq., C. E.

Ed. S. T. Augustin.

for the use of the Troops quartered at the

No 24

Madras water works Office
Church Park, Mount Road
30th July 1865.

From W. Fraser Esq. B.E.
Special Ex: Engineer

To Colonel Orr B.E.
Secretary to Government P.W.D.

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Sir

Your Most Obedt Servant

William Casey C.E.

Special Cox Engineer

No 25

Madras Water works Office
Church Park, Mount Road
10th August 1865.

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W. Fraser Esq^r B.E.
Special Executive Engineer

To
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Special Executive Engineer
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10th August 1865

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Secretary to Government P.W.D.

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I have the honor to be

^{Sir}
Your most Obedt Servant
William Prager R.E.

Special Ex. Engineer

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Forwarding one
Sketch showing the
position of Summit
and 2 other points

Dated 10th August 1865
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Colonel B. A. Orr
Special Ex. Engineer
R.E.O. 120
H. 2.5

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R.E.O. 120
H. 2.5
2071-154, 2 Aug 1865

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From

Colonel A. J. M. Poileau R.E.
Superintending Engineer & Quarter Master

To
Colonel B. A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government M.O.

Sir,

N^o 1770 dated 18
June 1864

With reference to the order of Government as per margin I have the honor to forward a general Plan of the ground near Saint Thomas' Mount showing the sites on which it is proposed to erect the new Buildings for the Ordnance Establishment.

I have the honor to be
Sir.

Your most Obedt Servant

Poileau Colonel R.E.
Superintending Engineer & Quarter Master

Supg Engrs Office
4th Div. Madras
5th August 1865

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 Madras date the 15th August 1865.

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Forwarding a general Plan of
the ground near the Mount showing
sites on which it is proposed to erect
the new building for the Ordnance
Establishment.

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No 1257)

From W. Haver Esq^r R^e.
Special Executive Com^{rs}

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(Here enter 30 July 1865
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From V. ——— D. (Here enter 10 Aug 1854)

These letters, with their accompanying sketch, will be referred to the Superintending Engineer of the 4th Division, with a request that, in conjunction with Mr Fraser, and in communication with the Military Authorities, he will select a suitable site for the proposed Adyar Tank near St. Thomas's Mount.

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Letter No 1257 dated 8th
August 1865—

A.B.

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6 The Sup^t Eng^r 4th Division H^q
7 Military Dep^t ✓
1 to Train Eng^r C.E. ✓

Done 16th August

Sketch & Plan ✓

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Proc. of the Commr
D^o 15 Aug 1865

Certain correspondence
regarding the site for the
proposed Azar Tank near
Thomas' Mount Madras
District - referred to the
Superintending Engineer of
the 4th Division