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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,  
7th December 1866.*

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In forwarding the accompanying extracts from the weekly Proceedings of the Municipal Commissioners, I have the honor to request Government will express their wishes regarding the disposal of the Fort stones which are procured by the demolition of the Bastions and Battlements of the old Fort. No doubt all these slabs are the property of Government, but the process of obtaining them by the destruction of the masonry walls is very expensive, and this expense will, in future, be borne by the Commissioners. It is excellent employment for the convicts, and, if Government will allow the services of these prisoners in the work of demolition, I doubt not the Commissioners would waive any claim to the slabs, which are doubtless very valuable, being reckoned by the Superintending Engineer to be worth two lakhs.

2. As regards the second point, I trust Dr. Ranking may be nominated a member of the Committee at once, irrespectively of any question regarding the Commissioners' authority in Cantonment limits. His knowledge of sanitary matters, and the interest he takes therein, will render him a most valuable acquisition to the Trichinopoly Board of Commissioners.

*Extracts from the Proceedings of the Municipal Commission, held on the 26th November 1866.*

2. Resolved that Government be requested to nominate Dr. Ranking, Garrison and Civil Surgeon, a Member of the Commission, his advice and counsel being very necessary as regards sanitary matters.

3. Resolved that the letter from Captain Oakes, regarding the Fort stones, now becoming available for Public Works, owing to the demolition of the ramparts, be laid before Government, with a request that Government will take into consideration the disposal of these stones, now that they will be recovered, and indeed procured, from the old Battlements at the expense of the Municipality. It would seem fair that those slabs which became available whilst the improvements were under Government should belong to the State, and that those to be hereafter dug out at the expense of the Commissioners belong to the Municipality.

(True Extracts.)

(Signed) G. BANBURY,  
Collector.

From Captain R. F. OAKES, R. E., Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, to the Collector of Trichinopoly; dated Tanjore, 14th November 1866, No. 976.

In forwarding an original letter, No. 1118, dated 12th instant, from Colonel Greenaway, I have the honor to observe that the charge of the Fort stone having been vested in this Department as far back as Colonel Lawford's time, its transfer to the Municipal Commission cannot be made without the sanction of Government; and, unless the Department of Public Works are permitted to take any stone they may require for Public Works, either in Trichinopoly or Tanjore, free of charge, I shall oppose the transfer.

2. I beg you will let me know, at an early date, what has been proposed to be done in the matter, for I presume nothing has been done, so far as no intimation on the subject has been made to me. It is not very clear to me why Government should be asked to make so handsome a present to the Municipality. The gift, I suppose, would be worth some two or three lakhs.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,  
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- No. 15. ORDER THEREON, 7th December 1866, No. 1242.  
Dr. Ranking will be appointed a Commissioner under Section 6 of the Act.  
2. The question of making over the "Fort stones" to the Municipality will be considered in the Department of Public Works.  
(True Extract).

*Chief Secretary.*

To the Public Works Department.  
,, Magistrate of Trichinopoly.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,  
21st December 1866.*

Read the following papers:—

- No. 469. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Department. Referring, to the Public Works Department, the question relative to the making over, to the Municipality, of the stones of the old Fort at Trichinopoly. (Here enter 7th December 1866, No. 1,242.)

- No. 470. Memorandum from the Chief Secretary to Government in the Judicial Department, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Fort Saint George, 10th December 1866, No. 389.

With reference to the Proceedings of Government in the Public Department, under date the 7th instant, No. 1,242, the Chief Secretary has the honor to inform Colonel Orr that he sees no objection to the labor of the Convicts being made available without payment for the removal of the stones therein referred to, should it be deemed necessary to reserve the stones for the use of the Public Works Department.

- No. 471. ORDER THEREON, 21st December 1866, No. 4,045.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 92.

As the whole of the stones of the walls of the old Fort at Trichinopoly are required for the use of the Public Works

Department, the Government cannot consent to hand those stones over to the Municipality; but, as a set off to any expenditure that may be necessary for the demolition of the walls, His Excellency in Council will not object to allow the Commissioners the use of Convict labor free of payment.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Public Department.  
,, Superintending Engineer, 6th Division.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

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*G. J. Cunningham*  
Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department. ✓  
„ Magistrate of Trichinopoly.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

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No. 28 1866 Depo  
Ch. of Govt for December  
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Pro. of the. Navas Corp  
in the Public Depo

of 7<sup>th</sup> Dec } 1866  
Recd 11<sup>th</sup> Dec }

No 1242

Referring the  
question relative to  
the making over to  
the Municipality of  
the stones of the  
old Fort at Trichinopoly -

No 469

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A. 389 Judicial Department  
Memorandum

With reference to the Proceedings  
of Government in the Public Department under  
date the 7<sup>th</sup> Instant No. 1242, the Chief Secretary  
has the honor to inform Colonel Carr  
that he sees no objection to the labor of the  
convicts being made available without  
payment for the removal of the stones  
therein referred to should it be deemed  
necessary to reserve the stones for the  
use of the Public Works Department.

For St. George  
10<sup>th</sup> December 1866

H. J. Curran  
Chief Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government  
Public Works Department.

P.W.D. Dept  
Pro. of Govt. for December  
No 5030.

Memo:

From

The Chief Secy. to Govt  
in the Judicial Dept

To The Secy. to Govt P.W.D.

D/ 10 " 2 Decr/86.  
Recd 11 " 4 309.

Intimating, that  
should the stones of the  
old Fort at Trichinopoly  
be required for the use  
of the P.W. Dept. there  
is no objection to the  
Committee removing  
them without payment.

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c. 11 Decr 1866 Or. 186

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Public Works Department.

no 4045

# PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT

Under date the 21st Decr/86  
Read the following

Proceedings of the Madras Government

in the Public Department

(Here enter No. 1242 dated 7th December 1866.)

Memo. From the Chief Secy to Govt.

in the Judicial Department ("—No 389 of 10th—"—")

Yes. But I would like to  
know more about the demolition  
of this old Fort lest some  
picturesque or interesting structure  
be lost in the process of destruction.

JPS

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stones of the walls of the  
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lition of the walls,  
His

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Council will not  
object to allow the  
<sup>the use of</sup>  
Commissioners Con-  
vict labour free  
of payment.

P. W. 186 . Department.

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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Dated

*C.B.*

To  
The Public Dept. ✓  
Supf. Engrs. 6<sup>th</sup> Dist.

Recd 22<sup>d</sup> December

N<sup>o</sup> 469 @ 471

To W B B Dyer  
Pro: of Govt for Deer

No 4045  
Pro: of the Marine Govt  
Of 24<sup>th</sup> Decr/66.

Convict labor made  
available, free of payment;  
for the removal of walls of  
the old Fort at Tuckersopolis  
and the stones to be reserved  
for the use of the P N S of B.

No 4045