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Government of Madras.

*Public Works* DEPARTMENT.

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No. 132. Read the following letter from the President and Trustees of Patcheappah Moodelliar's Charities, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 3rd June 1867, No. 232:—

1. We, the President and Trustees of Patcheappah Moodelliar's Charities, have the honour to request that you will be good enough to bring, under the consideration of the Right Honourable the Governor in Council, the great injury which will be done to the chief Educational Institution under our charge, and to the Hall, built in the name of the founder, by the erection on the opposite side of the road of 12 blocks of Warrant Officers' quarters, as is contemplated.

2. The School was first established in a house within the town, but, as that place was much crowded, and sufficient ventilation was found to be a great want, it was removed to an old house, which occupied the site of the present buildings, with the view chiefly that the large number of boys brought together may have the benefit of the sea and southern breezes, which blow over the clean and broad Esplanades. The old building having been found unsuitable, it was removed and the present buildings were constructed at considerable expense. The erection of the block of buildings on the opposite side, as is contemplated, will undoubtedly deprive the School-rooms of the great advantage which influenced the selection of the present site, and endanger the health and comfort of between 400 and 500 boys, and a large number of Masters who meet in the School daily. It may be urged that the low elevation of the proposed blocks will not prevent the enjoyment of the breezes alluded to, but the ground floor also is occupied by several classes, and buildings of any height on the opposite site will do much harm to the persons occupying these rooms.

4. As regards the Hall, the objection that the proposed buildings will prevent ventilation may not hold good, but they will certainly obstruct the view which it commands at present from any of the Esplanades round the Fort. And His Lordship in Council will, we trust, prevent such a noble building, and a standing monument of so munificent a founder as Patcheappah, suffering in any respect.

5. The Hall, as His Lordship in Council is aware, is used, for large Meetings held by Native as well as European communities, and the gathering of people and carriages on such occasions has been very great. The erection of buildings on the opposite side will be a source of great inconvenience at such times.

\* Letter to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 28th March 1862, No. 63.  
Proceedings of Government, Public Department, dated 12th April 1862, No. 441.  
Letter to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, dated 17th June 1862, No. 112.  
Proceedings of Government, Public Department, dated 27th June 1862, No. 764.  
Letter to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 30th August 1862, No. 170.  
Proceedings of Government, Public Department, dated 12th Sept. 1862, No. 1,079.

6. The Trustees beg also to bring to the notice of Government the correspondence noticed in the margin.\* It will be found that our application to build one or two small sheds on the Esplanade has been declined by them from unwillingness to allow any portion of the Esplanades to be occupied by buildings of any description.

7. Under these circumstances, we request His Lordship in Council will give this subject his favourable consideration, and prohibit the erection of the proposed buildings on the Esplanade alluded to.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,  
7th June 1867.*

No. 133. ORDER THEREON, 7th June 1867, No. 1,702.

**MILITARY WORKS, No. 9.**

The Trustees of Patcheappah Moodelly's Charities will be informed that under no circumstances will any of the proposed Warrant Officers' Quarters be erected on the northern margin of the Esplanade facing Patcheappah's Hall.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Trustees of Patcheappah Moodelly's Charities:  
,, Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.  
,, Military Department.

• Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 232

No.

Col. C. A. Orr R. E.

Secretary to Government in the  
Public Works Department.

Sir,

We, the President and Trustees of Patcheappah Moodelly's Charities, have the honor to request that you will be good enough to bring under the consideration of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the great injury which will be done to the Chief Educational Institution under our charge, and to the Hall, built in the name of the Trust, by the erection on the opposite side of the Road of 12 blocks of Warrant Officers Quarters as is contemplated.

The school was first established in a house within the town but, as that place was much crowded and sufficient ventilation was found to be a great want, it was removed to an old house, which occupied the site of the present

buildings

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may have the benefit of the sea and  
Southern breezes which blow over the  
clean and broad esplanades. The  
old building having been found  
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present buildings were constructed at  
considerable expense. The erection of  
the block of Buildings on the oppo-  
site side, as is contemplated will  
undoubtedly deprive the school rooms  
of the great advantage which in-  
fluenced the selection of the present  
site, and endanger the health and  
comfort of between 400 and 500 boys  
and a large number of masters who  
meet in the school daily. It may  
be urged that the low elevation  
of the proposed block will not  
prevent the enjoyment of the breezes  
alluded to, but the ground floor  
also is occupied by several classes,  
and buildings of any height on the  
opposite side will do much harm  
to the persons occupying these rooms.

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Letter to the Chief Secretary to Government dated 22<sup>nd</sup> March 1862 No 63  
Proceedings of Government Public Department dated 23<sup>rd</sup> April 1862 No 64  
Letter to the Chief Secretary to Government dated 17<sup>th</sup> June 1862 No 112  
Proceedings of Government Public Department dated 27<sup>th</sup> June 1862 No 76  
Letter to the Chief Secretary to Government dated 23<sup>rd</sup> August 1862 No 170  
Proceedings of Government Public Department dated 12<sup>th</sup> September 1862 No 1079

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that the proposed buildings will prevent  
ventilation may not hold good, but  
they will certainly obstruct the view,  
which it commands at present from  
any of the esplanades round the Fort  
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will, we trust, prevent such a noble  
building and a standing monument  
of so magnificent a Commander as Patchett  
suffering in any respect.

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Council is aware, is used for large  
meetings, held by Estates as well as  
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of people and carriages on such occa-  
sions, has been very great. The erection  
of buildings on the opposite side, will  
be a source of great inconvenience at  
such times.

The Trustees beg also to bring to the  
notice of Government the correspondence  
noticed in the margin. It will be found  
that our application to build one or  
two small sheds on the esplanade,  
has been declined by them from unwill-  
ingness to allow any portion of the esplanade  
to be occupied by buildings of any description.

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Under those circumstances we request  
His Lordship in Council will give  
this subject his favorable consideration  
and prohibit the erection of the pro-  
posed buildings on the esplanade  
alluded to.

We have the honor to be

Yours most obedient servants

James Macdonald  
Resident

James Macdonald  
Resident

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The Principal and  
Teachers of the  
Missionary

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Requesting that  
the erection of the  
proposed Warman's  
Office in the  
esplanade  
facing Patcheapp  
Hall may be  
prohibited.

1702-7th June 1867

No 1702 Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 7<sup>th</sup> June 1867.

Read the following

(Here enter No. dated )

The Trustees of  
Patcheappah Moodelly  
Charities will be in-  
formed that under  
no circumstances  
will any of the proposed  
Warrant Officers' Quar-  
ters be erected on the  
northern margin of  
the Esplanade facing  
Patcheappah's Hall -

To The Trustees of Patcheappah  
Moodelly Charities ✓  
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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT, *Madras*

Dated *7th June 1867*

*The Trustees of  
Patechapaal Joddell's Charities  
are informed that none of  
their own Officers Quarters  
will be erected on the northern  
margin of the Esplanade  
facing Patechapaal's Hall.*

*No. 132-133*

*25th June 1867 P.W.*