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Government of Madras.

Public works **DEPARTMENT.**

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
23rd July 1867.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 554. From Mr. P. ORR, to His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor of Madras in Council, dated Madras, 21st June 1867.

1. I have the honor to send enclosed two Deeds, in reference to the Gas works, one executed by the Contractors, the other for execution by the Government.
2. My correspondents are desirous of having the Deed returned by the next Mail, I shall feel obliged if the Deed can be executed and returned to me in time for that purpose.

From Messrs. W. B. STEPHENSON, R. KING, W. TAYLOR, and P. ORR, to His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor of Madras, dated 25, Poultry, London, 26th May 1867, E. C.

1. Referring to our communications with the Government upon the subject of lighting the Town of Madras with gas, and the Government Order thereon of the 1st December 1866, No. 3,832, we now beg most respectfully to enclose an Agreement, in duplicate, one part being signed by us, which our Counsel has settled, for the purpose of embodying our proposals, as contained in our previous correspondence, and modified by the said Order.

2. We shall feel obliged if your Excellency will have the other part of the Agreement duly executed and returned to us, so that we may take steps to form a Company, for the purpose of carrying out the works.

3. We have already placed ourselves in communication with various gentlemen of influence connected with gas manufacture in England, in order to carry out the formation of a Company for the intended object, by the time named in the Agreement.

Transferred to the Chief Secretary to Government.
(By Order,)

MADRAS,
22nd June 1867.

(Signed) J. H. GARSTIN,
Private Secretary.

Referred to the Municipal Commissioners for any observations that they may have to offer.

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

24th June 1867.

No. 555. From Mr. P. ORR, to His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, dated Madras, 28th June 1867.

1. In continuation of the subject of my last communication, I beg to forward the enclosed letter, which explains itself on the score of expedition.
2. May I leave it to your Excellency to see the needful done.

Transferred to the Chief Secretary to Government.
(By Order,)

MADRAS,
29th June 1867.

(Signed) J. H. GARSTIN,
Private Secretary.

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23rd July 1867.*

From R. KING, Esq., to P. ORR, Esq., dated 25, Poultry, E. C., London, 1st June 1867.

1. Referring to my letter of May 25th, with enclosures, copies of contract signed by us and duplicate copy to be signed by the Government, we think it would be exceedingly important for you to telegraph to us here the word "yes" (but only) if the Government signs the contract. You are not to telegraph if they don't sign it.

2. You will thus observe that we are anxious to put the matter into definite shape and urge the matter forward without delay, as I am happy to say the money market is getting favourable for it as the Bank rate is only 2½ per cent., and the public are going in for investments; shares which have been depreciated for a long time are now rising in value.

Consols which could be bought at 89 to 90 some little time ago, yesterday were quoted at 95.

3. I hope you will urge the Government forward to sign the document, in order that no time should be lost before the 31st December, which is the latest date named in the contract for placing the Capital of the Company.

No. 556. From the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 3rd July 1867:—

The accompanying papers having been referred to us for observation, we beg to return them with the remarks of our President, the Native paid Commissioner, and Mr. P. Orr.

Gas works, Madras.

MEMORANDUM.

The accompanying papers, on subject of proposed Gas works, have been referred to the Municipal Commissioners by the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, for any observations they may have to offer.

I have read over the Indenture, and there are certain clauses on which I consider the Municipal Commissioners should express their opinion.

Clause 1.

2. This Clause requires alteration, as the land at the back of Burghall's stables will not be given up as a site for Gas works, having been declared unfitted for that purpose by the Sanitary Commissioner, Principal Inspector General of Hospitals, and myself.

Against the selection of the other site, viz., that between Lafond street and the Cooum road, a petition, signed by thirty-seven dwellers in the neighbourhood, has been forwarded to Government, and copy sent to the Municipal Commissioners.

Clause 5.

3. Provides for laying down mains and pipes for lighting the streets of the city, or such to lay down mains or pipes along any streets or ways in which the public lights shall be at a greater distance than ninety yards apart, or in which the Municipal Commissioners shall not propose to erect a public light within ninety yards of any public light for the time being, existing, or originally proposed to be erected within the limits aforesaid.

4. The present lamps within the Municipality are 604, and an order has been sent to England for another 600. These 1,200 lamps would be scattered over an area of 27 square miles, to be charged by the Company for lighting with gas, viz., £5-18-0 per lamp per annum, at the commencement to have a sufficient number of lamp-posts at only ninety yards apart. In a few of the leading thoroughfares this might be done; but the places requiring lighting most are Black Town, Triplicane, and Suburbs of 2nd District. The fifteen extra lamp-posts on a low estimate

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required for the Mount Road, will not give a lamp at every ninety yards. The first outlay will be enormous, as the Company purpose charging £4-10-0 per lamp complete; whereas the cost of the Municipal lamp-posts landed at Madras was Rupees 18 per lamp-post, and the lamps were made for about 5½ Rupees each. The roads being under the Municipality, I consider in this Clause the word Municipality should be substituted for Government.

Clause 6.

Clause 7.

5. The charge for lighting lamps at the commencement is to be at the rate of £5-18-0 per lamp per annum, and with a corresponding deduction according to profits.

At this rate the lighting of 1,200 lamps, which is a very small number for Madras, would be £7,080 per annum, supposing they were lighted for thirty nights in the month all the year round, but this would not be necessary, for on moonlight nights they would not be lit.

I shall be glad if the Commissioners will circulate these papers as quickly as possible, as I see Mr. Orr is desirous of sending an answer back to England speedily.

(Signed) CHARLES DENISON.
MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
MADRAS,
28th June 1867.

I fully concur with the President's remarks—the cost of lighting with gas seems to be enormous, and it will be impossible to incur the expenditure without a new rate. I would propose that the lighting be only experimental, viz., that a small part of the city most densely crowded, such as Black Town, where the lamps can be placed nearer to each other than elsewhere, without much expense or without increasing the number of lamps, be first lit, and then should we see our way clear, for the rest of the city we may gradually increase the area to be supplied with light. We can never entirely do away with our oil lamps, they must be used in localities where the lamps are far apart from each other. This matter requires careful consideration, and the merits of the question should be properly discussed.

S. JESUDASEN.

1st July 1867.
No. 557.

ORDER THEREON, 23rd July 1867, No. 2,213.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 76.

1. The Municipal Commissioners having now expressed their inability to incur the expense of applying gas to the lighting of Madras, the Government, on re-consideration of the offers which have been made by the promoters of a proposed Company to undertake the lighting of the city, have deemed it necessary to change their views as to the desirability of encouraging the formation of a Company by the grant of any special concessions, and they accordingly resolve to return, unexecuted, the draft Agreement which accompanied Mr. Orr's letter of the 21st ultimo.

2. If, nevertheless, a Company be formed for the purpose of carrying out the lighting of Madras with gas, the Government will provide a suitable site for the necessary works.

(Signed) J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, Major, R. E.,
Under Secretary to Government.

25, Poultry,
London, May 26 1867
E.C.

To His Excellency
The Right Honorable
The Governor of Madras
Fort St. George.

Sir, Referring to our communications
with the Government upon the subject of
lighting the Town of Madras with Gas, and
the Government order thereon of the 7th December
1866, number 3832. We now beg most respectfully
to enclose an Agreement in Duplicate, one
part being signed by us, which our Council
has settled, for the purpose of embodying our
proposals, as contained in our previous
correspondence, and modified by the said
order.

We shall feel obliged if your

Excellency will have the other part of the Agreement duly executed and returned to us, so that we may take steps to form a Company, for the purpose of carrying out the works.

We have already placed ourselves in communication with various gentlemen of influence connected with Gas manufacture in England, in order to carry out the formation of a Company for the intended object, by the time named in the Agreement.

We have the honor to be

Sirs,

Your obedient servants

~~W. Taylor~~
Robert King
W. Taylor
Peter Orr

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Municipal Commissioners Office
Wash.
June 28 1897

The accompanying
papers on subject of
proposed Sewer works
have been referred
to the Municipal
Commissioners by the
Secretary to Gov.

C. W. Dept.

In any observations
they may have to offer

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attention as the land
at the back of Bonfellers
sheds will not be
given up as a site
for Sewer works having
been declared unfit
for that purpose by
the Sanitary Commissioner
Principal Inspector

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MADRAS, 3^d July 1867.

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Yours
12/7/67

1 July/67

The charge for lighting lamps in the town is :
: 5 pence is to be as the rate of 5 " 10 per lamp per annum.

and with a corresponding deduction, according to profits -

at this rate the lighting of 1200 lamps which is a very small number for Madras would cost 7,000 per annum. Supposing they were lighted for 30 nights in the month at the same amount. but this would be necessary for our morning & night. They would cost less.

I shall be glad if the Commissioners will circulate these papers as soon as possible as I feel that it is desirable of sending an answer back to England as soon as possible.

Under Secretary

From
The Municipal Commissioners
Madras

To: The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

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We have the honor to be
Sir;

Your most Obedient Servants
Under Secretary President
S. R. Allen

Municipal Commissioners

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19/7/67

Madras. June 28th, 1867.

To

His Excellency
The Right Honorable
The Governor in Council

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Your Excellency's
Most obedient servant.

P. W.

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From
The Municipal Commr

To The Secy & Comr M.S.S.

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Returning with

Remarks certain to
be regarding the
proposed Gov Co.

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25 July 1867
June 1867

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I hope you will urge the Government forward to sign the document in order that no time should be lost before the 31st Decemr which is the latest date named in the Contract for placing the Capital of the Co.

I am yours truly
Wm. H. Smith

Mount Road
Madison.

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Madras June 21st. 1867

To
His Excellency
The Right Honble
The Governor of Madras
in Council
Fort St George

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From
Mr. P. P. R.

To
The Secretary
P. P. R.

27 1867 2000
J. P. R. for Clerk
C. H. 27 50

By
P. P. R.

Regarding the
business of the Council

Referred to the
Chief Secretary
P. P. R.

Transferred to the
Chief Secretary to
Government.
By order/
J. P. R.

Private Secy.

Govt House,
Madras,
29th June 1867

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From Mr. P. Orr.

Forwarding two deeds in reference to the gas works. } H.R. J 21st June 1867.

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Regarding the proposed Gas Company } H.R. J 28th June 1867.

From the Municipal Commrs.

Remarking on the Deed } H.R. J 3rd July 1867.

From the Secy. Church Missionary Society

Protesting against the erection of gas works on the site selected at Chintandrypetta } H.R. No 933 J 19th June 1867.

Circulated for Orders.

[Signature]

Referred to the Municipal Commrs. for any observation that they may have to offer.

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C.M. No

Deeds & Grant

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Dated 21st June 1867

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Forwarding two deeds in reference to the Gas Works

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Transferred by the Chief Secretary to Government.

1867 order / *[Signature]* Private Secy.

Cost of same, 3 rupees. 22nd June 1867

Printed and
sent to the
Municipal Committee

C. L. Works

Public Works Department.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 23rd July 1867

Read the following

From Mr. J. Orr

Here enter 21st June 1867

" J. - - - - -
" The Municipal Committee

" 28th - - - - -
(Here enter No. dated 3rd July)

Return for Council
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I think however that
the govt. might not
be accept or countenance
the scheme in any degree
further than by granting
a site for works in
some convenient spot.
As the Municipal
Commissioners have
declared the
conditions offered
by the Undertakers to
be unacceptable
we had better sup-
p. an order - declining
these overtures
altogether. V.
W.M.

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To Mr. P. Orr, with draft agree-
ment in duplicate.

the Municipal Commrs.

Supt. Govt. Gas Works

Truly: Sept.

Superint. & Divisions

W. B.

Sept 23/7/67

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Proc. of Govt. for July
No. 2213

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT

Madras

Dated *23rd July 1867*

*Returning to Mr. S. C. W.
the draft agreement relative to
the formation of a Company
for lighting Madras with Gas.*

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