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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 29th January 1867.

No. 561. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Judicial Department:—

Approving of the selection of Errode (in the Coimbatore District) as the most eligible place for the location of the District Moonsiff's Court, and requesting to be furnished with information as to whether the Circar Choultry at that Station can be converted into a Court-house. } (Here enter 22nd January 1867, No. 126.)

No. 562. ORDER THEREON, 29th January 1867, No. 275.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 111. Communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, 22nd January 1867.

No. 222. Read the following letter from the Registrar of the High Court of Judicature at Madras, Appellate Side, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 13th December 1866, No. 71.

On receipt of your letter, No. 1648, dated 18th October 1866, the following Proceedings were passed by the High Court:—

"The writers of the petition received from Government recommend the location of the new District Moonsiff's Court at Perundurai. Two petitions have also been received from the inhabitants of Cheyur, praying that the Court may be retained in their town. The late Civil Judge, whose acquaintance with the District was considerable, and who seems to have consulted the Collector on the subject, selected Errode as the best situation, but it was decided to retain the Court at Cheyur, pending a report as to the accommodation available at Errode. Lastly, on the recommendation of the present Civil Judge, the High Court sanctioned the temporary location of the Court at Bhowany.

"The Civil Judge is requested to obtain the Collector's opinion upon the matter, and to submit it, with his own, for the consideration of the Chief Justice and Judges. His report should be accompanied by a sketch map of that part of the Zillah, and should state fully the relative advantages of each of the stations proposed.

"Cheyur, it appears, is beyond the limits of the new Court's jurisdiction, and therefore out of the question."

[illegible] copy of the opinions given by the Civil Judge and Acting Collector, together with a sketch map of the part of the Zillah, subject to the jurisdiction of the new Moonsiff's Court. Both the Civil Judge and the Collector are in favor of Errode.

3. The Judges of the High Court have no doubt that Errode is the proper station for the Court, and I am accordingly directed to recommend that orders may be issued for the erection there of a new Court-house, with as little delay as possible. The Civil Judge had previously reported that no public buildings were available there, and that the town contained no private house adapted for a Court-house.

From the Civil Judge of Coimbatore, to the Registrar of the High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side, Madras; dated Coimbatore, 30th November 1866, No. 44.

With reference to the Proceedings of the High Court, dated 30th October last, on the subject of the most eligible place for the location of the Errode Moonsiff's Court, I have the honor to forward copy of the Collector's opinion on the matter, and a sketch map of that part of the Zillah.

2. I am constrained to concur in the Collector's opinion of Errode and Bhowany, and therefore recommend that a Court-house be built at Errode with all convenient speed, and if the Honorable Court should decide for Errode, I shall at once place myself in communication with the Collector and the Department Public Works for the selection of a proper site, and preparing an Estimate.

3. As regards the complaints of the Cheyur people, contained in their petition to Government, forwarded to me with a copy of the letter of Government, to the Honorable the Chief Justice, I have to state, that I do not see any real cause of complaint, and therefore recommend that no further notice be taken of the subject.

From the Acting Collector of Coimbatore, to the Civil Judge of Coimbatore; dated Coimbatore, 17th November 1866, No. 233.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter, No. 89, dated 2nd instant, and its enclosure.

2. In my opinion, Errode is decidedly the most eligible situation for the new District Moonsiff's Court.

3. It is a large and wealthy town in which suitors of all classes can easily obtain suitable lodging, and in this respect it excels any other town in the District, while the objection that might formerly have existed in consequence of its not being central, is now entirely removed, by the fact of its being the junction station of the South-Western and Great Southern Railways.

4. Perundurai is next in the list as regards general qualifications. It is, however, a small place, and four miles distant from a Railway Station, and presents no advantages to compensate for its inferiority to Errode as regards size and favorable position in the junction of Railways.

5. The position of Bhowany, unhealthy and remote from Railway communication, is such as to admit of no comparison with either of the above mentioned places, and no other town is of sufficient importance to call for remarks in connection with the subject.

6. A sketch map is forwarded, as also the District map. It is requested that the latter may be returned at an early date.

No. 223. ORDER THEREON, 22nd January 1867, No. 126.

The Government approve of the selection of Errode as the most eligible place, under the circumstances, for the location of the District Moonsiff's Court.

2. As regards the provision of a Court-house for the Moonsiff, the Acting Collector will report whether the Circar Choultry now occupied as a Police Station-house at Errode cannot, with any alterations that may be necessary, be converted into a Court-house, as it is understood that a separate building is under construction for the use of the Police, and that the erection of a new Choultry at the Rail... Station has been sanctioned.

(True Extract).

G. J. Cumming
Chief Secretary.

To the Honorable the Judges of the High Court, with Sketch returned.
" Collector of Coimbatore.
" Civil Judge of Coimbatore.
" Public Works Department.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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