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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
16th November 1868.*

No. 272. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Public Department :—

Communicating letter from the Officiating President, Madras Municipality, stating that a proposal for providing for the sewage of the Perambore Lines, and also for diverting the sewage from the Cosapettah Nullah, has been submitted to the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, by which the nuisance complained of by the Sanitary Commissioner will be removed. } Here enter 28th October 1868, No. 1,351.)

No. 273. ORDER THEREON, 16th November 1868, No. 3,565.

MILITARY WORKS, No. 25.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
28th October 1868.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 158. From the Sanitary Commissioner, Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort Saint George ; dated Madras, 17th July 1868, No. 772.

Having had occasion to visit the Lines of the 41st Regiment at Perambore, at the request of, and in company with, the Executive Engineer of the 1st or Northern Range, with reference to the Order of Government noted in the margin, the existence of a great nuisance, in close proximity to the Lines of the Right Wing, came under my cognizance, and which I think it my duty to bring to the notice of Government, in view to such measures being taken as may be deemed necessary.

G. O., in the Military Department, No. 2708, dated 10th July 1868.

2. The nuisance is, the existence of a nullah running parallel with, and at a distance of about 100 yards from, the Lines, and which receives not only the sewage from an open masonry drain that terminates in it, but over which privies, some permanent and some temporary, have been constructed, and which discharge their contents into it. Further, the refuse from tanneries upon its banks finds its way into it.

3. This nullah, owing to the recent rains, is nearly full ; but, notwithstanding the dilution of the sewage and other filth poured into it, the stench from it was so overpowering that it was a sickening task inspecting it. The stench was considerable even at the Right Wing Lines of the Regiment, and I was assured by an intelligent Native Commissioned Officer that it was often very much worse.

4. The nullah is the same as that into which the Right Wing Barrack drain discharges itself, but at a point lower down.

5. Whatever steps be taken to extend the outfall of the regimental sewer, must be supplemented by measures calculated to remove the intolerable nuisance of the nullah higher up. In fact, if matters are allowed to remain as they are, the discharge of a little more sewage from the Lines can scarcely make them worse.

6. I would suggest, for the consideration of Government, that the Municipal Commission should be required to carry on the drain now discharging into the nullah to a point at least 500 yards from the extremity of the Lines, and that they should interdict the existing system of erecting privies over the nullah, or upon its banks, and should remove the tanneries.

7. Unless this be done, the outlay about to be incurred in extending the outfall of the regimental drains will be incurred in vain, so far as the influence of the mephitic emanations from this nullah upon the health of the troops, or of the neighbourhood, is concerned.

8. A sketch plan of this nullah, showing its proximity to the Regimental Lines, and the points at which the common drain and the regimental sewer discharge into it, accompanies this letter.

Transferred to the Public Department.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
21st July 1868.

(Signed) C. S. ELLIOT, Major,
Offg. Dy. Secy. to Govt., M. D.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
28th October 1868.*

Referred to the President of the Madras Municipal Commission, for his remarks.
FORT SAINT GEORGE, (Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
27th July 1868. Chief Secretary.

No. 159. From the Officiating President of the Madras Municipal Commission,
to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras,
22nd October 1868, No. 855.

In returning the Sanitary Commissioner's letter to Government, dated 17th
July last, No. 772, referred to the President for his remarks on 27th idem, I have the
honor to report that a proposal has been submitted by this Department to the
Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, for providing for the sewage of the Peram-
bore Lines, and also for diverting the sewage from the Cosapettah Nullah, and
when this work is carried out the nuisance complained of by the Sanitary Commis-
sioner will be entirely removed.

2. The delay that has occurred in replying to this reference is owing to the
Executive Engineer having been engaged for a considerable time on the Water Dis-
tribution Project, and will I trust be excused.

No. 160. ORDER THEREON, 28th October 1868, No. 1351.

Resolved that the letter from the Officiating President of the Municipal Com-
mission, Madras, be communicated to the Military and Public Works Departments.

(True Extract).

R. S. Ellis
Chief Secretary.

To the Military Department.
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G. O. 16th Nov 1868, No. 3565

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Sewage For Public Works Com-
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President of the Madras Mu-
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provision for the
the sewage of the Perambore
line, and the diversion of
the sewage from the Coopershall
Municipal records.