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No. 112. Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Tanjore, 18th May 1869, No. 229.—

1 Copy of letter, No. 175, dated 8th May, to the Collector of Trichinopoly
1 Original letter, No 121, dated 13th May, from the Collector.
(To be returned)

With reference to G. O., No. 1,415, dated 30th April, relative to the disposal of certain buildings lately occupied by the Ordnance and Commissariat Stores at the foot of the Trichinopoly rock, I have the honour to enclose a copy of the correspondence which has passed between the Collector and myself relative to the buildings, and to request the sanction of Government for the disposal of the buildings as suggested.

* No 3.
† No. 5

2. It will be observed that it is proposed to pull down the Retta Calingium* and Letchumana Calingium† for the sake of the valuable cut-stone in them; this stone will come in very usefully for the facing of the Jetty at Negapatam, and for the Cauvery regulating works, for which estimates will shortly be submitted. The buildings are massive, and their removal will be costly; and I would propose to debit the cost of removal to the various works on which the stone may be used from time to time; in this manner a check on the wastage of the stone may be most advantageously kept. It is proposed to sell the site of the Retta Calingium granary for building purposes. If the open space adjacent to this building is Government property, the area will be about $1\frac{1}{4}$ acres.

3. The site of the Letchumana Calingium granary, the Municipality and the Magistrate would wish should remain unoccupied.

‡ 3 to 4 acres
7 Arsenal gun-shed.
8. Tent godown.
9. Shed for yokes
10. Tar godown.

4. The Municipality are anxious to obtain the buildings noted in the margin and the ground‡ adjacent to them to convert them into a cloth bazaar, and I would suggest that their offer of Rupees 2,500 should be accepted.

11. Store godown.
12 Godown.
13. Armoury
14 Godown
15. Do

5. The buildings noted in the margin were evidently resting platforms for the worshipers and visitors at the temple, and the Collector agrees with me that they should be restored to the Pagoda authorities, on the condition that the Government may resume their occupation if necessary.

No. 19

6. The only valuable portion of the Arrack godowns are the floors; and these I would propose to remove for public works, leaving the brick-work for the Municipality to clear away; and the sites may afterwards be sold for building purposes, though I should feel inclined to allow the space to remain open, as the neighbourhood is thickly covered with Native houses.

About three-fourths acre.

7. Should Government approve of the disposal of the buildings as suggested above, I beg they will also sanction the sale of the sites to be disposed of by the Revenue Department, as there may be disputes relative to the extent or boundaries of the land round the buildings, and of these the Revenue Department is the proper department to dispose.

No. 113. ORDER THEREON, 5th June 1869, No 1,841.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 22

THE Government approve of the Retta Calingium and Letchumana Calingium in the fort of Trichinopoly being pulled down with a view to the stone being used upon the works referred to in paragraph 2, the site of the Retta Calingium being sold for building purposes and that of the Letchumana Calingium left unoccupied.

7 Arsenal gun-shed
8 Tent godown
9 Shed for yokes.
19 Tar godown.

11 Store godown
12 Godown.
13 Armoury.
14 Godown
15 Do.

3. His Excellency the Governor in Council authorises the acceptance of the offer of Rupees 2,500 made by the Municipality for the buildings noted in the marign, and the restoration of those numbered eleven to fifteen to the Pagoda authorities on the condition named by the Superintending Engineer. Sanction is also accorded to Captain Oakes's proposals regarding the Arrack godowns.

3 As recommended in the last paragraph of this letter, the sale of the sites will be entrusted to the Revenue authorities.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division
" Revenue Department
" Public Department
" Controller of Public Works Accounts
" Military Department

Exd. F P Dantleman.

No 229 Supdg Engs Office 6th Div
Tanjore 18th May 1869.

From
Captain R. F. Oakes R.E.
Supdg Engineer 6th Div

To
Colonel C. A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government
P.W.D.

Sir

With reference to G.O. No 1415 dated 30th April relative to the disposal of certain Buildings held & occupied by the Ordnance and Commissariat Stores at the foot of the Trichinopoly Rock, I have the honor to enclose a copy of letter correspondence which has passed between the Collector and myself relative to the Buildings, and to request the sanction of Government for the disposal of the Buildings as suggested.

It will be observed that it is proposed to pull down the Rettacalingum and

and Letchumiana Caluigiums for the Sake of the valuable cut Stone in them - this Stone will come in very usefully for the facing of the Jetty at Negapatam and for the Canery Regulating Works, for which Estimates will shortly be submitted. The Buildings are massive and their removals will be costly and I would propose to debit the Cost of removal to the various works on which the Stone may be used from time to time, in this manner a check on the wastage of the stone may be most advantageously kept. It is proposed to sell the Site of the Retta Caluigiums Gramary for building purposes. If the open Space adjacent to this Building is Govern. must properly this area will be about 1¼ acres.

The Site of the Letchumiana Caluigiums Gramary the Municipality and the Magistrate would prefer should remain unoccupied.—

The Municipality are desirous to obtain the Buildings noted in the margin & the ground adjacent to them to convert them into a Cloth Bazar and I would suggest that them offer of Rs 2500 should be accepted.—

The Buildings noted in the margin were erected platforms for the Worshipers & Visitors at the Temple, and the Collector agree with me that they should be restored to the Pagoda Authorities on the Condition that the Government may resume their occupation if necessary.—

The only valuable portion of the Attack Godowns are the floors & these I would propose to remove for P.W. leaving the brick work for the

the Municipality to clear away &
the sides may afterwards be sold
for Building purposes, though I
should feel inclined to allow the
space to remain open as the neigh-
bourhood is thickly covered with
Native Houses.—

Should Government approve
of the disposal of the Buildings
as suggested above, I beg they
will also sanction the sale of the
Sites to be disposed of by the Revenue
Department as there may be diver-
sities relative to the Extent or boundaries
of the said ground the Buildings &
to these the Revenue Department
or the proper Department to dispose—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obd.t Servt.

Capt.n R.E.
Supt. Engineer Bk. Dn.

the Journal Book

From Supt Engineer
6th Division
No 2137
To The Secretary to Government
Public Works Depts

Dated 18th
Rec'd 21st May 1869

No 229

Enclosures 2

Encloses copy of correspondence relative to the disposal of certain Buildings lately occupied by the Ordnance and Commissariat stores at the foot of the Trichinopoly Rock and suggests that the Buildings be sold by the Revenue Department

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No 175

From Supt Engineer
6th Div
Trichinopoly.
Dated 8th May 1869

To The Supt Engineer
6th Division

The Collector
of Trichinopoly

Sir

I have the honor to report for disposal that I have been called upon to dispose of

3 Pattukahtzeh Godowns
5 Ichchumanick Cahtzeh Godowns
7 Arsenal Godowns
8 Tent Godowns
9 Sheds
10 Jail Godowns
11 Store Godowns
12 Godowns
13 Armoury
14 Godowns
15 Godowns
19 Arrack Godowns

buildings noted in the margin which are situated on or at the foot of the Trichinopoly Rock, & which have till lately been occupied by the Ordnance Commissariat & Revenue Departments.

Being in Trichinopoly on the 7th instant, I took the opportunity to examine these Buildings, Nos 3 & 5 are old massive buildings containing a large quantity of valuable cut stone which would come in very usefully for Public Works & I would propose to destroy them as they are not likely to be purchased for the sake of the buildings themselves

them cleared, but for the stone only &
when destroyed the sites might perhaps
be sold with advantage, I presume
that the open ground near No 3 or
Nettacalingum Swaamy on which a
small Granite room stands is the property
of Government, if so I have no doubt
a considerable sum could be obtained
for the Site for building purposes.
The ground I refer to is bounded
on the North by the almost perpendi-
cular face of the Rock on which the Pagoda
stands, on the South by the Malay Colany
street, on the East by a Native wall
of a building on the west of the road
to the Pagoda & on the East by the Rocky
Nettacalingum. I should be glad to know
if all this is Government property.
Nos 7, 8, 9, & 10 are valuable, chiefly
owing to their site & the land adja-
cent to them. Under 7, several buildings
are included those which are tiled
require a good deal of repair
to render them serviceable & those
with a good proof through the Godowns
are narrow & dark & are not
suitable for dwelling houses. A
Market not been under progress
these

these buildings might have been
conveied into a Market, with advan-
tage, as it is the Municipality I am
informed, are anxious to obtain
possession of the buildings for the
purpose of converting them into an
Exchange. As far as I am concerned
I have no objection to their being
handed over to the Municipality,
with the sanction of Govt. since
of course the obtained Nos 8, 9,
& 10 are recommended to be buildings.
one wall of which is clearly a part
of a Building belonging to the Pagoda.
These buildings can only be
approached through the ground
attached to No 7 & which bought
up by the Pagoda authorities at
a fancy price on account of their
vicinity to the Pagoda; I doubt
whether Nos 7, 8, 9, & 10 would fetch
a high price, though their site would
be a valuable one for building
purposes.

Nos

Nos 11, 12, 13, 14, & 15 are chiefly portions of the Buildings attached to the Pagoda & probably consisted of Platforms as resting places for those approaching the Pagoda — Nos 11, 12, 13 & 15 are on the right & No 14 on the left of the ascent to the Pagoda. They consist of large halls the roofs of which are supported by magnificent blocks of stone which are supported by carved Pillars of stone many of which are probably Buddhistic. These buildings have clearly been enclosed by Walls to convert them into Godowns & now that they are not required for Military purposes it appears to me they should be returned to the Pagoda authorities on the condition that their occupation may be resumed by Govt on any occasion that they may be required. If not the Pagoda authorities ought to have the refusal of the Buildings

Buildings which are difficult to remove & for a large price as these buildings are there can be no doubt that there is a great deal of workable stone in them, but the cost of demolishing the buildings would be very great & the transport of the stone Pikaks would be very few except the buildings themselves & these destroyed & it would require thousands of miles to destroy them. It does not appear to me

No 19 includes 3 separate Buildings, the floors of which are of Stone, the rest of the buildings has tiled roofs. The roof consists of arched brick work, springing from ground arches of the same material the latter springing from brick Pillars; it is doubtful whether these buildings would fetch much if sold & if put up to auction the Municipality might perhaps think it worth while to buy them in order to open out the portion of

of the Rock on which they stand,
& for the sake of the Material
which could form a good sub-
stratum for Roads.

Before laying the matter
before Government, I would
be glad of your opinion on
the points adverted to above.
If the Buildings are to be
sold, I would suggest that
they should be sold by the
Revenue Department.

I have &c
(signed) R. D. Oakes Capt RE.
Supt Engr 6th Div

(True Copy)
H. Oakes Captain RE.
Supt Engineer 6th Div

Enclosure No 1 in a
letter from the Supt Engineer
& Dist dated 18th May
1869 No 229.

To The Secretary to
Govt P. W. Depts

P.W. 2137/69
Fort St George 15th June 1869.

Copy of a letter to
the Collector of Trichinopoly
relative to certain Buildings
at the foot of the Trichino-
-poly Rock.

Public Works Department
No 1841

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 5th June 69
Read the following

From The Supt Engineer & Dist/ No 229/ 18th May 1869/

To The Government
superior of the Pettacca-
linguum and Letchu-
-mana calinguum in
the Fort of Trichinopoly
being filled down with
a view to the stone being
used upon the works
referred to in para 2, the
site of the Pettacalinguum
being sold for building
purposes and that of the
Lelchumanacalinguum
left unoccupied -

The

No. [illegible]

His Excellency
the Governor in Council
authorize the acceptance
of the offer of Rs. 2500
made by the Municipality
for the buildings shaded
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numbered 11 to 15 to
the Pagoda authorities
on the conditions named
by the Superintending
Engineer. Sanction is
also accorded to Capt.
Lapi Packer's proposals
regarding the arrack
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7 Arsenal Gun Shed -
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13 Armoury -
14 Godown -
15 Godown -

As recommended
in the last para of
this letter, the sale of
the sites will be entrusted
to the Revenue Authorities.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Superintending Engr.
6th Division

Dated

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G 05 June 1869, No. 1861

Nos. 112-113

Buildings. Passing orders on the letter from the Supy. Engr. 6th Div. relative to the disposal of certain buildings lately occupied by the Ordnance and Commissariat Stores at the foot of the Trichinopoly Rock.

22nd May 1869 No. 25