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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public works **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 2928 Press Mis.

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Dated 18. 11 1871.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
18th November 1871.

No. 346. Read the following docket of the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Buildings and Roads—Civil Buildings,) dated Simla, 27th September 1871, No. 350-B. C:—

COPY of the following correspondence forwarded to the Government of Madras in the Public Works Department for early needful attention, with reference to previous correspondence noted on the margin.

P. W. D., No. 55 A-T, dated 25th May 1871.
Do. „ 76 A-T, „ 7th Aug. „
Do. „ 97 A-T, „ 18th Sept. „

By order,

(Signed) C. W. HUTCHINSON, Colonel, R.E.,
Offg. Dy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

From the Officiating Director General of Telegraphs in India, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 15th September 1871, No. 183.

I HAVE the honour to forward copy of a letter, and of its enclosures, received from the Madras Superintendent respecting the site of the proposed Telegraph Office at Madras, and solicit the favour of your urging upon the Madras Government the necessity for the immediate commencement of the work and the advisableness of the site on the beach called the Abercromby Battery being allotted for the purpose.

From the Officiating Superintendent of Telegraphs, Madras Division, to the Director General of Telegraphs in India, dated Madras, 5th September 1871, No. 1,175.

IN forwarding the correspondence marginally noted, I have the honour to most strongly recommend that the great delay which has taken place, and the indecision which is being exhibited, regarding the proposed building for our new office here may be represented to the Government of India.

No. 693, dated 7th July 1871, from the Superintendent of Telegraphs, Madras Division, to the Secretary to Government, Madras, Public Works Department.
No. 981, dated 12th August 1871, calling attention to above.
Memorandum No. 23, dated 4th September 1871, from Secretary to Government, Madras, Public Works Department, in reply.

2. The accompanying correspondence will show that the site of the building has not yet been decided on. Two sites have been talked of: one, the *Abercromby* Battery on the beach, and the other a place in the vicinity of the General Hospital. The Abercromby Battery is all that could be desired as a site. It is close to the offices of the principal mercantile firms, to the Banks, to Steamer Office, etc. It is close to the sea, and consequently the most healthly, and our lines run by it. The site near the General Hospital is comparatively remote from the offices above mentioned; it is low, and, I believe, unhealthy, and its adoption would necessitate the re-construction of our town lines.

3. It is rumoured that the Directors of the Madras Bank are desirous of obtaining the Abercromby Battery for a new building, but I would submit that our claims are stronger than theirs. The Local Government may not think so however.

From the Superintendent of Telegraphs, Madras Division, to the Secretary to Government, Madras, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 7th July 1871, No. 693.

WITH reference to Madras Government Order, No. 1,526, dated 6th June 1871, and to previous correspondence on the subject, I have the honour to request the favour of your informing me where the new Telegraph Office is to be built.

2. My predecessor was under the impression that Abercromby's Battery was the chosen site, but I have recently heard that the office would probably be built near the General Hospital. There are many advantages in favour of the site on the beach. The offices of the principal mercantile firms, the Banks, Shipping Office, etc., are in its vicinity. It might be recommended on departmental grounds, but a consideration of the convenience of the public will, I feel certain, lead to its being, if it has not already been, chosen.

From the Officiating Superintendent of Telegraphs, Madras Division, to the Secretary to Government, Madras, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 12th August 1871, No. 981.

I HAVE the honour to request the favour of an early reply to my No. 693, of the 7th ultimo, asking for information regarding the site of the proposed Telegraph Office at Madras.

No. 23.

MEMORANDUM.

WITH reference to the letter from the Officiating Superintendent of Telegraphs, Madras Division, dated 12th August 1871, No. 981, the undersigned is directed to state that the Government are not at present in a position to settle definitively what site will be adopted for the new Telegraph Office at Madras.

OOTACAMUND,
4th September 1871.

(Signed) J. CARPENDALE, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

No. 347. ORDER THEREON, 18th November 1871, No. 2,028.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 18.

RECORDED with reference to the letter to the Government of India dated 6th October 1871, No. 2,546.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. CARPENDALE, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Govt. of {1871} Madras

PUBLIC WORKS.

to

Dated November, 18th.

Recd. Encl.

G. O., 18th November 1871, No. 2,8

NOVEMBER.

Nos. 346-347

New Telegraph Office at Madras.—Docket from the Government of India forwarding, for early attention, copy of correspondence regarding the selection of a site for the new Telegraph Office at Madras, recorded.

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All communications should be addressed to the Secretary.

No. 350 B—C.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
Civil—Buildings.

Simla, 27th September 1871.

Copy of the following Correspondence forwarded to the Government of Madras in the Public Works Department for early and careful attention with reference to previous Correspondence noted on the margin.—

No 55 A dated 1st May 1871.
No 64 A dated 1st August 1871.
No 7 A dated 18th September 1871. X

By Order,
C. B. Hutchinson Colt, R.E.
Offg. Dy Secretary to the Govt of India

W. "F."

No. 183.

From— The Offg Director Genl of Telegraphs in India.

To— The Secretary to the Govt of India Public Works Department.

Simla, the 15th September 1871.

I have the honor to forward herewith for information a letter and of its enclosures received from the

the Madras Superintendent, respecting the site of the proposed Telegraph office at Madras, and solicit the favor of your urging upon the Madras Government the necessity for the immediate Commencement of the work and the undesirableness of the site on the beach called the Abercromby Battery, being allotted for the purpose.

No 1175.

From — The Offg Supdt Madras Division
To — The Director Genl of Telegraphs in India

Dated Madras, the 5th of Septr 1871.

In forwarding the correspondence marginally noted, I take the liberty to most strongly recommend that the great delay which has taken place, and the indecision which is being exhibited regarding the proposed building for our new office here may be represented to the Government of India.

- No 693 dated 7th July 1871 from the Supdt Madras Div to the Secy to Govt Madras Public Works Department.
- No 981 dated 12th Augt 1871 calling attention thereto.
- Memo No 23 dated 11th September 1871 from Secy to Govt Madras P.W.D. in reply.

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3. It is rumoured that the Directors of the Madras Bank are desirous of obtaining the Abercromby Battery for a new building, but I would submit that our claims are stronger than theirs. The Local Government may not think so however.

No 693.

From — The Superintendent Madras Division
To — The Secretary to Govt Madras. P.W.D.

Dated Madras the 7th of July 1871

With reference to Madras Government Order

order No 1526, dated 6th June 1871 and to previous correspondence on the subject, I have the honor to request the favor of your informing me where the new Telegraph office is to be built.

2. My predecessor was under the impression that Abercromby's Battery was the chosen site, but I have recently heard that the office would probably be built near the General Hospital. There are many advantages in favor of the site on the Beach. The offices of the principal Mercantile firms, the Banks, Shipping offices &c are in its vicinity. It might be recommended on Departmental grounds, but a consideration of the convenience of the Public will, I feel certain, lead to its being, if it has not already been chosen.

No 981.

From The Secretary to Government, Madras
Public Works Department.
Madras 12th August 1871.

Sir,

I have the honor to request the favor of an early reply to my No 693 of the 7th ultimo, asking for information regarding the site of the proposed Telegraph office at Madras.

I have &c
(Sd) J. Burke
Offg Supt of Tels Madras
Division.

No 23.

Memorandum.

With reference to the letter from the Officiating Superintendent of Telegraphs, Madras Division, dated 12th August 1871 No 981, the undersigned is directed to state that the Government are not at present in a position to settle definitively what site will be adopted for the new Telegraph office at Madras.—

Ootacamund
4th Septr 1871.

(Sd) J. Carpendale Colr, R.E.
Secy to Govt N.W. Dept.

P. Dr. 1871 Dept

№ 4772.

From.

The Government of India

Dated 27th Sept/71

Rec'd. 6th Octr/71

№ 350 B. b.

Forwarding for early attention, a copy of correspondence regarding the delay in the selection of a site, and the commencement of the construction of the New Telegraph Office at Madras.

As regards the 18th Article

Will an order be

9th June/71-56 Nos.
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Rec'd 29th Sept. with reference to the letter from the Govt. of India dated 15th October 1871 No. 2546.

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Govt of India Works.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

Dated.

Read.

No. 2928

Nos. 3146 & 3147.

New Telegraph Office at Madras.

Docket from the Govt of India forwarding for early attention, Copy of correspondence regarding the selection of a site for the new Telegraph Office at Madras, Despatched.