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Government of Madras

Public works DEPARTMENT

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
11th August 1874.*

No. 218. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Judicial Department, dated 21st July 1874, No. 1,341:—
Read the following Proceedings of the Committee on Fire Engines, dated 3rd
July 1874.

THE Governor in Council does not consider that an observance of the General
Rules (Appendix G.), to which the Committee refer, would be sufficient to protect
the buildings at Chepauk from being destroyed by fire before assistance can
arrive.

2. The buildings are valuable, and contain most important records. None
of the "responsible officers" reside on the premises, and could not be expected to
be present in the event of a fire at night.

3. It is of the first importance therefore that the requisite appliances should
be provided on the spot, to be made available when needed.

4. These appliances may, His Excellency in Council considers, be placed
under the immediate control of the Principal of the Civil Engineering College,
who resides within easy reach, and who would be able to direct the use of the
appliances.

5. The Inspector-General of Ordnance and Magazines will indent for two
small fire engines expressly for the Chepauk buildings, and arrange for the supply
of ladders, fire hooks, buckets, etc., etc.

6. The laying of 12-inch pipes along the frontage of the Chepauk buildings
will be considered in the Public Works Department, in connection with the water-
supply to those buildings and the park.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Acting Chief Secretary.

No. 219. ORDER THEREON, 11th August 1874, No. 2,210.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 11.

COMMUNICATED to the District Engi-
neer, Presidency, who will consider, in
communication with the Members of the

Board of Revenue and Consulting Architect, the subject of paragraph 6 in carrying
out the instructions of G. O., No. 1,720 of the 25th June.

2. Among other appliances necessary may be suggested a 12-inch water pipe
on both sides of the building, two or three small cisterns on the roof of the centre
of the building, that is in the space over the Record-room, and between the second
floor buildings. It will be practicable with these, kept full of water by means of
the fire engine, to pour water through the sky-lights into the Record-room and
other places inaccessible from the outside. Ornamental cisterns, one on the grass
plot at the north of the Revenue Board Office, and another in that at the east of
the Civil Engineering College, might also be of use.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Presidency.
" Consulting Architect.
" Judicial Department.
" Revenue "
Exd. S. T. Austin.
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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
21st July 1874.*

No. 155. Read the following Proceedings of the Committee on Fire Engines, re-assembled at the Ordnance Office, Fort St. George, on the 3rd July 1874, in obedience to Order of Government in the Public Department, dated 23rd June 1874, No. 697, to consider the question of protecting the Chepauk buildings from fire:—

PRESENT:

Colonel A. Stewart, R.A., Inspector-General of Ordnance and Magazines,	}	<i>President.</i>
Lieutenant-Colonel J. Goddard, R.E., District Engineer,		
" " C. S. Hearn, M.S.C., Inspector-General of Police,	}	<i>Members.</i>
J. C. Loch, Esq., President, Municipal Commission,		

ABSENT:

Lieutenant-Colonel W. S. Drever, M.S.C., Commissioner of Police,	}	"
T. H. Going, Esq., Acting Chief Engineer, M.R.C., (Sick).		

The Committee having assembled pursuant to order, and duly considered the question now referred to them, beg most respectfully to observe that the *General Rules* (Appendix G of their former proceedings), which were sanctioned in Order* of Government in the Judicial

* No. 998, dated 2nd June 1874.

Department to form Section 5 of the proposed *Fire Code*, provide for the safety of the Chepauk buildings in common with that of all other public buildings at the Presidency; that they presume 12-inch pipes will be laid down along the frontage of the said buildings, as explained in the 11th proposal of their former Proceedings, and sanctioned in the above order* of Government; and that such minor preventive measures as the provision of ladders, fire-hooks, buckets filled with water, &c., will, as a matter of course, be attended to by the responsible officers of the Departments located in the buildings.

2. The Committee are not aware of the necessity for any special appliances in reference to these particular buildings, and they are quite unable to offer any suggestions on this point.

(Signed)	ALEX. STEWART, Colonel, R.A., <i>Insp.-Genl. of Ord. and Mags., President.</i>	}	<i>Members.</i>
(")	J. GODDARD, Lieut.-Col., R.E., <i>District Engineer,</i>		
(")	C. S. HEARN, Lieut.-Col., <i>Inspector-General of Police,</i>		
(")	JOHN C. LOCH, <i>President, Municipal Commission,</i>		

No. 156. ORDER THEREON, 21st July 1874, No. 1341.

"The Governor in Council does not consider that an observance of the *General Rules* (Appendix G), to which the Committee refer, would be sufficient to protect the buildings at Chepauk from being destroyed by fire before assistance can arrive.

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(True Extract.)

D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Acting Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Committee on Fire Engines
.. Inspector-General of Ordnance and Magazines.
.. Revenue Department
.. Public Works Department,
 with the Hon. W. Robinson's note, dated 20th July 1874.
.. Director of Public Instruction,
 for communication to the Principal of the Civil Engineering College.
.. President of the Municipal Commission, Madras.

Exd. W. H. French

Judicial Department

Note by the Honorable Mr. Robinson.

I have taken an opportunity of consulting the Members and Secretary of the Board, and think - with them - that 12-inch pipes should be laid along two opposite sides of the building (North and South) which is very thick, and cut up into three absolutely separate departments downstairs.

I also think that there should be two or three small cisterns on the roof of the centre of the building, that is, in the space over the record room, and between the second-floor buildings, and that they should be kept full of water by means of the fire engine. With such cisterns it would be easy to pour water through the skylights into the Record room and other places that could scarcely be reached at all from outside.

It might be desirable to construct a cistern in the grass-plot at the North of the Board's building, and another in that at the East of the Civil Engineering College.

College. Both might be made orna-
-mental.

There is no doubt that the place
would burn well, especially the tower,
and I believe that Mr. Chisholm recommends
a fire engine on each floor i.e. two for
this building. One, at least, is wanted
as stated in the Draft, but a second would
be a good precaution and it would be avail-
-able for the Presidency Colleges, Senate
House, Hospitals, &c. &c.

Ostacumund } (Signed) W. R.
20th July 1874 }

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Judicial Department.

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To the S. C. Presidency
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Chepauk Buildings

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