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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
27th July 1876. No. 1,907.*

No. 462. Read the following endorsement of the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Ootacamund, 8th July 1876, No. 1,059 :—

From Mr. C. HALL, Secretary to the Civil Orphan Asylums, to the Honorable W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 1st July 1876.

I AM desired, by the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylums and St. Mary's Church Charity School, to bring to the notice of Government that the Consulting Engineer for Railways, in a letter dated 25th February 1876, intimated that the new play-ground for the Asylums was nearly ready for use. On the 11th March 1876 that officer was asked when the boundary-wall would be erected, and the Acting Collector of Madras, when the road between the Asylums and the play-ground in question would be closed.

2. With his endorsement of 21st March 1876, the Acting Collector of Madras furnished copy of a letter to him from his Deputy, in which it is stated that, while Government had at one time authorised the closing (G.O., Public Works Department, 16th September 1873, No. 2,292-A,) of the road, they subsequently had determined to keep the said road open (G.O., Public Works Department, 15th April 1874, No. 984-A).

3. Two years ago the Directors heard rumours to the effect that the road would not be closed, and as these came from a reliable source and were at variance with the arrangements communicated to the Directors by Government in their Proceedings of 19th September 1873, No. 2,325, Public Works Department, the Hon. Mr. Coleman, on behalf of the Directors, placed himself in communication with Mr. Blair, the Collector of Madras. That gentleman, after personally discussing the subject with the Directors, expressed, in writing, an opinion regarding the road the very opposite to that now given by the Acting Collector.

4. The Directors delayed submitting the Acting Collector's interpretation to Government till they had received a reply to the reference they made to the Consulting Engineer regarding the boundary-wall. That officer, under date the 22nd ultimo, has intimated that Government have been addressed on the subject, and I am accordingly desired to offer, for the consideration of Government and for their orders, the following observations upon the subject.

5. The Directors are confident that Government never intended that their order of 15th April 1874 should bear the construction put upon it by the Acting Collector; for the effect of not closing the road would be to nullify completely the benefit to be derived from the ground given in exchange for the portion of the former compound taken up by the railway. The school would have an open play-ground, separated from the remainder of the premises by a public road, and it would be out of the Directors' power to prevent the land from being used for such purposes as would render it a nuisance; further, in the absence of a wall, the appliances for recreation that may be placed on that ground would be liable to be stolen, and it would not be possible to keep the boys, in the heat of play, from trespassing upon the neighbouring cultivated land.

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6. It would also be impossible for the Directors to utilise the bungalow situated on the ground in question, and they are most desirous to make it the hospital for the Male Asylum, for which it is admirably adapted were the land sufficiently drained; but this does not appear to have been attended to, for although the monsoon of 1875 was not heavy, there were several small patches of water on the ground for some time after. The reason this bungalow is to be applied to the above purpose is, that the present chapel is in a state of thorough disrepair, and it is deemed more advisable to convert the present boys' hospital into a chapel than to repair the present chapel, which might be pulled down.

7. The Directors have all along understood that it was settled at the meeting which was held on the Asylum grounds, at the close of 1872, by the late Lord Hobart, accompanied by the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Secretary to Government in the Public Works Department, and the authorities of the late Carnatic Railway, that, when the Railway Company took up the large portion of the play-ground towards the Poona-mallee road, they were to raise the ground given by Government in exchange, drain it, and bear the cost of the removal of part of the present boundary wall running parallel to the said road, and erect the new boundary-wall.

8. I am, further, desired to ask that Government will instruct the Collector of Madras to give the Directors a clear title to the properties assigned to the Asylums, as everything connected with the permanent location of the Civil Orphanages and St. Mary's Church Charity School at Egmore has now been nearly completed.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Works Department for consideration and disposal.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

No. 463.

ORDER THEREON, 27th July 1876, No. 1,907.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 35-A.

It was not intended by G.O., No. 984-A, of 15th April 1874, to recede from the engagement entered into by Government to throw that portion of the Male Asylum road which separates its old compound from the new play-ground, into its grounds. Paragraph 4 of that order applied only to so much of the Asylum road as skirted the new station premises, which it was desired to keep at its full width for convenience of access to two houses on the south of the road and to the Asylum itself. When the Asylum road, east of St. Andrew's Church, and Jordan's road are given up for the extension to the passenger station, there will be no longer occasion for maintaining through-communication by the west end of the Asylum road, as shown in the Collector's letter recorded with the Government Order above quoted.

2. The Government acknowledge and confirm their obligations to the Civil Orphan Asylum as enumerated in paragraph 7 of the Secretary's letter. Instructions

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to the Collector of Madras, with reference to paragraph 8, will issue in the Revenue Department.

(True Extract.)

Colonel,

Offg. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

„ Revenue Department.

„ Educational Department.

„ District Engineer, Presidency.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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Madras, 1st July 1876.

From

THE SECRETARY TO THE
CIVIL ORPHAN ASYLUMS

To

The Honble W. Huddleston
Chief Secretary to Government

Honble Sir,
I am directed by the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylums & St Mary's Church Charity School to bring to the notice of Government, that the Consulting Engineer for Railways, in a letter dated 25 February 1876, intimated that the new flag ground for the Asylums was nearly ready for use. On the 11 March 1876 that Officer was asked when the boundary wall would be erected, & the Ag Collector of Madras when the road between the Asylums and the flag ground question would be closed.

With his endorsement of 21 March 1876, the Ag Collector of Madras furnished copy of a letter to him from his Deputy, in which it is stated, that while Govt had at one time authorized the closing (G.O. P.W.D. 16 Sept 1873 No 2292 A) of the road, they subsequently had determined to keep the said road open (G.O. P.W.D. 15 April 1874, No 984 A).

3. Two years ago, the Directors heard rumours to the effect that the road would not be closed, and as these came from reliable source, and were at variance with the arrangements communicated to the Directors by Govt in their Proceedings of 19 Sept 1873, No 2325 P.W. Dept, the Hon. Mr. Colman, in behalf of the Directors, placed himself

Please address your reply to the Secretary, Civil Orphan Asylums, Nos. 14 to 19, Male Asylum Road, Egmore, Madras.

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4 - The Directors delayed submitting the Acting Collector's interpretation to Govt till they had received a reply to the reference they made to the Consulting Engineer regarding the boundary Wall. That Officer, under date the 22nd Ultimo, has intimated that Govt have been addressed on the subject, and I am accordingly desired to offer for the consideration of Govt and for their orders, the following observations upon the subject.

5 - The Directors are confident that Govt never intended that their Order of 15th April 1874, should bear the construction put upon it by the Acting Collector, for the effect of not closing the road would be to nullify completely the benefit to be derived from the ground given in exchange, for the portion of the former Compound taken up by the Railway. The School would have an open play ground, separated from the remainder of the premises by a public road and it would be out of the Directors' power to prevent the land from being used for such purposes as would render it a nuisance. Further in the absence of a Wall, the Appliances for recreation that may be placed on that ground would be liable to be stolen, and it would not be possible to keep the boys in the heat of play from trespassing upon the neighbouring cultivated land.

In view of the above, the Directors are of opinion that the proposed boundary wall should be erected.

6 - It would also be impossible for the Directors to situate the Bungalow situated on the ground in question, and they are most desirous to make it the Hospital for the Male Aged, for which it is admirably adapted, and the land sufficiently drained, but this does not appear to have been attended to, for although the ground of 1875 was not heavy, there were several small patches of water on the ground for some time after. The reason this Bungalow is to be applied to the above purpose, is that the present Chapel is in a state of thorough disrepair, it is deemed more advisable to convert the present large Hospital into a Chapel than to repair the present Chapel, which might be pulled down.

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Received of the
 Treasurer of the
 City of New York
 the sum of \$100.00
 for the purchase of
 the land on which
 the City Hall is
 situated.

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Public Works Department.

UNDER date the 27th July 1976.

READ the following:—

Endorsement, in the Educational
Dept. on letter from the Secy. to
the Civil Orphan Asylums of
1st July 1876

Ac. No. 1059 d/s th July 1875

I have little doubt that
you will find it better
to make some small
arrangement in case of
the management of fish.

Yours truly,
J. H. P.

This death is in ac-
-cordance with the
intentions of God

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*Chief Officer
Papering orders on
letter from the Secretary
of, relating to the
boundary wall and
the closing of a
road in connection
with the petition.*

*But in the
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