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CIVIL WORKS, No 44.

THE District Engineer, Presidency, is instructed to take immediate measures for undertaking the opening of the Junction

Canal between the Adyar and Cooum rivers as a Famine Relief Work

2 The line to be opened is that accurately described in paragraph 4 of Mr. Fraser's Report, recorded with G O, No. 1,585, of 1st July 1870. But it is determined that it shall be straightened through the Chepauk Park, but so that its central line shall not be nearer the front of the Revenue Board Office than 40 yards This section will be laid out without delay, for inspection and final approval

3. Commencement will also be made at once with laying out the line of canal from the Adyar end, and it will be surveyed and levelled accurately, and schedules of the land required to be taken up prepared without delay, so as to admit of the Collector's taking the necessary means for valuing and acquiring it

4. The canal will be laid out for a bottom width of 20 feet, and depth of $4\frac{1}{2}$ feet below mean sea level, and slopes of 2 to 1, 10 feet span will suffice for all over-bridges.

5 Arrangements will be made for placing a special Officer at the District Engineer's disposal for this work.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Presidency, with one Plan

" " Chingleput
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts
" Financial Department.

" Revenue Dept

Exd. S T Austin.

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I entirely agree with
His Grace's proposal in regard
to the line which the Canal should
take through the Chepauk Park.
~~only we carry it in the straight line~~
It should run I think in a
dead straight from the entrance
marked (an old gate-way) by the
D.P.W. Office up to the front of the
Board of Revenue Office, where
it should cross in front of the
buildings - say 50 ft outside the
terrace wall. Here it should
run in the straight of the
buildings. The angle of this

Section with the long section
from the Entrance, with the slight
This straight should be
observed opposite the Senate
House and then a slight angle
would take the Canal to the point
fixed in the Comm. for its joining
that water.

It will be easy to alter
the roads in the Park to suit this
important feature. One or both
banks may be made ornamental
roads ways. This I would lay
out if allowed with the Engineers

The

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The Cricket ground should
be changed to the South of the
Pavilion by filling up the adjacent
tank, and the tank near Colonel
Rogers will also disappear

I send a ground plan of
the Park and buildings (I have
no coloured one by me) in which
I have pencilled the proposal -
and a spare one for His Grace's
use.

Myself offer as suggestion
this slight change - but Mr. Rogers
still desires the wavy line, I
shall not persist. I will preserve
the ornamental water as the

back of the line - It is a
swamp now but may be made
momentary

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W. W. W.

To L. W. H. H.
with 2/11

junction canal

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Having walked the proposed
junction canal line they
Chapman & Sp. Hume (map)

It appears to me to
unnecessarily ~~in~~ subdivide

both
On the new map I have
cancelled the proposed
line with a broken line

and a line I would
propose for L. W. H.
consideration by a
continuous line

They both ~~converge~~ ^{unite} at
the same point - E at
Pyroft road -

The line proposed would
cut up the Sp. Hume
compound & the people

which is of much
value to the deer &
and leave a considerable
space to the Marine
Villa which will be
of little use —

It would interest
the Avenue from
the Hotel William
to the park as
a point which would
be much in place to
disturb — The cutting
of the space in
Avenue not being
imagine less than 100 feet
wide —

It would destroy
the large square

Tank near the family
quarters — and the Wall
Tank both of which are
useful —

The line I would
suggest would leave
the forum at point A
leaving a small space
only to Marine Villa
but ample for all purposes
would cross the great
pit at back of Senate
House — and taking a
swath round Newcom
bond buildings — would
pass nearly in a straight
line to E — it would
pass through & therefore
destroy one Tank near
D — it would be

Slightly shorter -
But I think the Park
could be made much
~~more~~ handsomer
in its arrangements
than with the other line -
I have marked on
the plan also some
suggestions as to roads &c
I send this to you as
the Park is your special
charge & quite a task
So much interest in it

B. 25/11

No 3225 of 29 Nov 66 Mr B
Pro: Mr Madras Govt
Under date the 29 Nov 66
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the opening of
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between the Adyar
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No 1585 of 1st July 66
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through the Chapank
Pond, but so that
its central line
shall not be nearer
the front of the
Revenue B. Office
than 40 yards -
As ~~employment~~
can be afforded

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at once on this section. It will be laid out without delay, for inspection & final approval -

3. Commencement will also be made at once with laying out the line of Canal from the Ridge as such; it will be surveyed and levelled accurately, & schedule of the lined reg. to be taken up prepared without delay, so as to start off the collection taking the necessary means for valuing and acquiring it. Prudently recovering of the original plans & preparation of new ones, the District Engineer will be

~~Decided to let the dimensions to be allowed for by the Report above mentioned -~~

~~He will undertake the nearer portion of the work with the Executive Staff already at his disposal - for the work from the Alder and arrangement will be made to provide him with assistance -~~

G.M.W.
29.11.

5. Arrangements will be made for placing a Special Officer at the District Engineer's disposal for this work -

G.M.W.

4. The Canal will be laid out for a better width of 20 ft. &

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to commence with the —
as a Public Relief Work.

to the Presidency with 1 Plan
in the City of New York
the 1st of Sept. 1876.
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