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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
24th April 1877. No. 1,405.*

No. 575. Read the following petition from certain inhabitants of Triplicane
anent the Junction Canal Project, dated April 1877 :—

No. 576. ORDER THEREON, 24th April 1877, No. 1,405.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 47-A.

RECORDED, in continuation of the
under-mentioned Orders of Government—

No. 3,461, dated 18th December 1876.

„ 3,563, „ 29th „ „

„ 266, „ 26th January 1877.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

To the Petitioners.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.
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that since the junction works have
come

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To

His Grace the Most Noble Richard Plantagenet Campbell
Duke of Buckingham and Chandos
Governor of the Progs of Fort St George and its
Dependences

The humble Memorial of the
residents of Suroo Moothoo Street
Triplicane
Madras

Most respectfully and humbly sheweth.

Being fully
impressed with your Grace's humane, gene-
rous and clement disposition in redressing
the grievances and bettering the distressed
condition of the needy, your Memorialists
venture to lay before your Grace their Memo-
rials for your Grace's favorable and benign
consideration with the earnest request that their
intrusion upon your Grace's valuable hours
will be pardoned.

2. Your Memorialists
most respectfully beg leave to state
that since the canal junction works have
commenced

came to operation flag posts were pointed
out by the door of your Memorialists.
Your Memorialists, indeed, mentioned not
to make any bold objection as to this
movement, as your Memorialists were
perfectly alive to the fact that the Hon.
Government would not act in a manner,
as to be detrimental to the interests
and convenience of the Public at large.
Not long ago when the said posts were
removed your Memorialists were led to
think that they were saved from the
apprehended danger, apt to sustain by the
passing of the Canal, close by the door
as will be seen from the plan stated below.
Apparently, your Memorialists were entirely
mistaken in their notion, as the posts were
not suitably placed as a token of the
discontinuance of the Project, but being dis-
located to a little distance from the
former position.

3. Your Memorialists, no doubt,
admit that it is not their province in
this instance on the discontinuance of the project,
and declare that it is not in their sphere

resolved to carry out the Project. Your
Memorialists has been so stated
that their residence is right for the sea, &
at times when the sea is strong and his-
terous, generally during heavy moon days, the
waves dash the public roads and almost
approach the gutters, and other water courses,
irrespectively, that are close by; this is
doubtless during stormy and rainy days.
Here then your Memorialists beg to point
out, that the Canal to pass by will doubt-
less materially serve to result in inexpress-
ible inundation and flood in the instances
(which are common) above alluded to, by
the confluence of the Canal water with the
rapid descending tide.

4. — Arent the above your Memorialists
humbly beg to draw your Grace's attention to the
following: —

(a) The Canal now under excavation is to
pass by the back side of their houses, where,
your Memorialists have their wells sunk.
It is by the water supply from these wells
during

during scarcity of water (as now) that
your memorialists live upon, the said
supply from the wells being to some extent
good. If the Canal were to pass by
close to these fine serving wells, (by
supplying the chief requirement of existence)
your memorialists fear that the drinking
water now obtained from the wells will
be rendered useless, and thus subject
your memorialists to great distress.

(b) Already your memorialists' houses
being close to the sea, are ever moist, as
the ground is sandy which makes the
surface ever moist. During rainy
days the inconvenience, your memorialists
experience, consequent on the above
is expressible. Notwithstanding, what
must be their condition, if the Canal
pass by, is only imaginable. Above all,
living in ever moist places is objectionable
in a medical point of view, and injurious
to health.

5 — As your memorialists have
no other alternative but to submit, this
state of things, they are, under the
foregoing circumstances, induced to
humbly and respectfully to state
that they prefer vacating their homes
(to suit ^{the} better object of the Government)
to living in place ever dangerous;
and for such an end as this, your
memorialists humbly crave your
Grace's well known - humanity and
good natured clemency to view
your memorialists' case in a favorable
light and thereby be pleased to grant
your memorialists some reasonable
compensation so much so that, that
your memorialists may seek shelter
elsewhere. This, the compliance with
the humble and feeble request of
your memorialists, might not be
small.

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 Proceedings of the Madras Government
 under date 24th April 1877
 Read the following:

was made; that the
 posts were subsequently
 removed and they thought
 that they were saved from
 danger; that they were
 however mistaken as
 the project was not given
 up but it was decided
 that the canal should
 pass at a little distance
 from their houses, that
 they live near the sea
 whose waves dash against
 the public road and approach
 the gutters during the new
 moon; that if the canal
 passes by the road it
 will cause inundation,
 that the water in their
 wells will become unfit
 for drinking purposes;
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Government of Madras. April 1877
 P. W. DEPARTMENT.
 Petition No. 1052 of 1877.
 From K. Suroojappa, Contaminator
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 Occupation and others
 Inhabitants of
 Village Suroomothosthettal 18 Dec. 1876
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 District Madras 20 January, 1877
 Dated
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ABSTRACT
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 States that flap posts
 were placed near their
 doors when the survey
 for the Junction Ca

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that during the monsoon
 the ground is damp
 and if the Canal passes
 by, their health will be
 greatly impaired by the
 moisture, and their
 sufferings will be
 insupportable; that they
 prefer vacating their
 houses than living in a
 place so dangerous to
 health.

Pray therefore
 that Govt will grant
 them some reasonable
 compensation to
 enable them to seek
 shelter elsewhere

No. 05^{C W 138} Public Works Dept.
 Proceedings of the Madras Government
 under date 24th April 1877

Read the following:-

Petition from certain Sub-tendants
 of Triplicane against the
 Canal Project (Hd of April 1877)

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Recorded, in continuation
 of the undermentioned orders
 of Government

No. 3461 dated 18 Dec. 1876
 " 3563 " 29 " "
 " 266 " 20 January, 1877

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Petition No. 103
Act. of 1877 Madras
PUBLIC WORKS.

To *the Petitioners*

Dated

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G. O. *24 April* 1877, No. 1405

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Canal Project. Petition
from certain inhabitants
of Triplicane regarding
the —, accorded.*

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