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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

26th March 1878, No. 1,533 W.

Buildings and Roads.

Civil Works.

Read the following paper:—

No. 383. Endorsement of the Chief Secretary to Government, Ecclesiastical Department, dated Fort St. George, 18th March 1878, No. 483.

From F. R. H. SHARP, Esq., Acting Collector of South Arcot, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Cuddalore, 15th March 1878, No. 71.

I HAVE the honor to report that the old Dutch burial-ground at Vanarapolliam hamlet in the Cuddalore Municipality, in which interments were prohibited from 1st November 1875, has been recently in a most indecent state from its being used as a latrine by the people of the neighbouring hamlet, who have broken in through the hedge constructed round it in 1862 (*vide* G.O., No. 194, of 24th June 1862).

2. I have therefore had it cleaned by the Municipal sweepers and fenced with thorns as a temporary protection, charging the cost eventually to Government, and I request that Government will sanction the erection by the Public Works Department of a brick wall 5 feet high topped with glass round the enclosure. As the burial-ground is out of the way of casual observation from being some little distance from any road, a substantial and indestructible fence is much required and a hedge is almost useless.

3. I beg to subjoin extracts from the Collector's report of 1876 for the year 1875, and the Government Order* upon it, from which it would appear that the Government intended that the wall asked for by Mr. Garstin should be built by the Public Works Department. No action has been taken thereon.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Works Department for disposal.

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

No. 384. ORDER THEREON, 26th March 1878, No. 1,533 W.

THE District Engineer will estimate for an enclosure wall as recommended by the Collector.

(True Extract.)

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

To the District Engineer, South Arcot.
" Ecclesiastical Department.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.
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GOVT. OF MADRAS

Govt. of (1878) Madras
PUBLIC WORKS.

THE PUBLIC ENGINEER
SOUTH ARCOOT.

10th March 1878

G. O. No. 1007, P. W. DEPT.

MARCH

No. 1007-78.

For the Govt. of Madras
For the District of South Arcot
For the District of North Arcot

SOUTH ARCOOT.

No. 71

From

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

Cuddalore

15th March 1878.

To

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F. R. H. Sharp Esquire
Collector of South Arcot.
The Honble S. F. Carmichael
Chief Secretary to Government
Madras.

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that the old Dutch burial ground
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from the Collector's report of 1876
for the year 1875 and the G.O. Order
from which it would appear
that the Government intended that
the wall asked for by Mr. Spanton
should be built by the D.T.W.
No action has been taken thereon.

11th Nov 76
dated 28th
11th Nov 76
page 1.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

H. H. H.

A. B. Collector

Extract from letter dated 20th March 1876 from
the Collector of South Arcot
to the Chief Secretary to Govern-
ment.

Para 8. The graveyard at Vennar
pettah is what is known
as the old Dutch burial
ground. It is in exactly
the same ruinous condi-
tion that it was last
year when I inspected it,
and although the Govern-
ment in G.O. of the 23rd
February 1875, No. 50, Eccle-
siastical Department, sanc-
tioned the repair of the
tombs and of the hedge,
and although I wrote to
the

the District Engineer in
March last on the subject
nothing has been done.
I beg to recommend that
the Public Works Department
be ordered to enclose the
graveyard with a masonry
wall and to have all the
ruined tombs repaired
or levelled without further
delay. There are sixty-six
masonry graves, all of which
want more or less repair,
and fifteen or sixteen of
which are in a very ruinous
state. There are signs of nu-
merous graves. Only four
tombs have any inscriptions.
The ground, when I saw
it in January last, was
free from weeds, but it
is still trespassed on by
the villagers and used as
a latrine.

Government Order thereon 28th March 1878
No. 74 Ecclesiastical Department

Communicated to the
Public Works Department
in view to the issue of early
orders to the District Engi-
neer to take the repairs
of these Christian burial
grounds in hand at once.

(True Extract)
(Signed) W. H. H. H. H.
Chief Secretary
(True Extract)

H. Sharp
Acting Collector.

D.R. P. Arcot
Ecol Dept 5 - 575-78
R.A.

Chapman

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PUBLIC WORKS

To

M. J. S. Annot

Debit

Amount

Per L.

Per L.

G. O. 26 Mar 1873, No. 15321

Recd.

*Dutch burial ground at
Vanarspottiam, S. Annot*

*The Dr. to be paid
for an enclosure wall round
the same*

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