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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

1st April 1878, No. 1,637 W.

General.

Account.

Read the following paper :—

No. 22. Endorsement of the Chief Secretary to Government, Judicial Department, dated Fort St. George, 7th January 1878, No. 31.

From F. R. H. SHARP, Esq., Acting District Magistrate of South Arcot, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Porto-Novo, 20th June 1877, No. 69.

I HAVE the honor to forward copies of Extract from the Police Administration Report for 1876, of the endorsement, dated 1st ultimo, No. 94, communicating it to the District Engineer, and of the reply, dated 3rd ultimo, No. 53, of the latter officer, all relating to the very insecure state of the Subsidiary Jails at Mannargudi and Trivady, the urgent need there is for repairs and improvements for removing the facilities which now exist to prisoners to make their escape from them, and the uselessness of any further expenditure on the buildings seeing that they have been condemned and estimates for new ones have been sanctioned by Government; and to request that Government will, under the circumstances, be pleased to direct assignment of funds for the new Subsidiary Jails at these stations for which estimates were sanctioned in G.Os., No. 766, dated 18th March 1875, and No. 2,666, dated 3rd October 1876, Public Works Department.

Extract from the Police Administration Report for the year 1876, dated 14th March 1877, No. 94.

In the Mannargudi Sub-jail the roof of the building is so near the floor that it is a wonder prisoners remain in of a night, as it is difficult for the Police on the outside to see inside the wards when the prisoners are lying down, and besides the roof being very low there are cross beams which would assist prisoners in climbing up, and the roof itself is so rotten that the bamboos are crumbling to dust. From this Sub-jail three escapes were effected. A nautch or marriage was going on near the Sub-jail, and the noise of the tom-toms effectually drowned the noise made by the prisoners in climbing over the tiles.

Two of the prisoners were re-arrested, but the other has not yet been found. Escapes must occur in Mannargudi if the prisoners be so inclined, unless the building be made more secure than it now is.

The Sub-jail at Trivady is also in a very insecure state and a prisoner escaped out of it by pulling open a padlock of the flimsiest description. He was subsequently arrested.

All the Sub-jails should be secured by good, strong fastenings to the doors and padlocks capable of bearing a good pull.

True extract forwarded to the District Engineer, with a request that he will be good enough to take an early opportunity of inspecting the Sub-jails at Mannargudi and Trivady, and suggest means whereby the buildings may be made secure and prepare estimates accordingly.

(Signed) J. C. HUGHESDON,
Acting Magistrate.

From Major H. R. MEAD, R.E., District Engineer, South Arcot, to the District Magistrate, South Arcot, dated Cuddalore, 3rd May 1877, No. 53.

Your endorsement No. 94, dated 1st instant, communicating extract from Police Administration Report for 1876.

2. In this extract remarks are conveyed regarding the state of the Sub-jails at Mannargudi and Trivady. I have the honor to request your attention to the previous correspondence regarding these jails. From these it will be observed that these jails have been already condemned; that it is of no use to attempt to repair them, and that estimates have consequently been sanctioned in G.Os., No. 766, dated 18th March 1875, and No. 2,666, dated 3rd October 1876, in Public Works Department for new buildings, but funds for these have not been assigned, although they were included in my budget for the current official year.

3. If the existing buildings are to be put in an efficient state, the cost would almost be as much as that of new buildings, and it was on this ground that any extensive repairs to the former have not been attempted; in fact, if the sanctioned buildings are to be built at an early date, it would be a waste of money to lay out any large sum on the condemned buildings.

4. I would therefore suggest the advisability (if you deem it necessary) of bringing the matter to the notice of Government with a view of their assigning funds for the new buildings sanctioned.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Works Department for consideration and early disposal.

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

No. 23. ORDER THEREON, 1st April 1878, No. 1,637 W.

It has not been practicable to provide funds for these works in the Provincial Budget of 1878 and 1879.

(True Extract.)

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

To the District Engineer, South Arcot.
Judicial Department.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.
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GENERAL
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of (1873) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

THE DISTRICT ENGINEER,
SOUTH ARCOT.
Sd/-

Dated April 1st.

Forwarded

By

By

G. O. 1st April 1873, No. 1,637 W.

APRIL

For 27-23.

New Subsidiary Jails at Tirunelveli and
Mangalore, South Arcot District. States
that it has not been practicable to provide
funds in the Provincial Budget of 1878-79
for the —

SOUTH ARCOT.

No. 69

From

To

Sir,

District Magistrate's
COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

Camp Postboxes
20th June 1877.

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J. R. H. Sharp Esquire,
District Magistrate
Collector of South Arcot.

Acting
The Honorable D. F. Carmichael,
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George.

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to make their escape from them and
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the uselessness of any further expenditure on the buildings seeing that as they have been condemned and action is taken for measures have been as suggested by Government, and to request that Government will, under the circumstances, be pleased to direct assignment of funds for the new subsidiary jails at these stations for which estimates were as mentioned in H. O. No. 2666 dated 18th March 1875 and 2666 dated 22 October 1876 D. P. O.

I have the honor to be,
Your most obedt. servant

W. May,
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As District Magistrate

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Reports for the year 1876 dated
14th March 1877.

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S^{rs} Magistrate of
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20th June 1877. No 63.

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made secure and prepared
Estimates accordingly.

Signed J. C. Hughson
Jy. Magistrate.
True Copy!

J. C. Hughson
Jy. Magistrate

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D.P.M.
South Beach

to ss.

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From,

District Engineer's Office
Camp Cuddalore
Dated 30th May 1877.

The District Engineer,
South Beach.

To The District Magistrate
South Beach

Sir,
Your Endorsement No. 74 dated 12th Instant Communicating Extract from Police Administration Report for 1876. In this Extract remarks are conveyed regarding the state of the Sails at Mannargudi and viz. viz. I have the honor to request your attention to the preceding correspondence regarding these sails. From this it will be seen that these sails have been already condemned that it is of no use to attempt to repair them and that Extension has consequently been sanctioned in G.O. Nos 766 dated 18th March 1875 and 2, 666 dated 30th October 1876 in D.P.M. for

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via a letter from
The District Magistrate
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4. I would therefore suggest the advisability (if you deem it necessary) of bringing the matter to the notice of Government with a view of their assigning funds for the new buildings sanctioned.

I have &c

Signed, H. R. Head Major R.E.
District Engineer

/ True Copy /

H. May,

to the Collector

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Transferred to the Public Works Dept.
= want for consideration & early disposal.

H. St. George
7. January 1878

Chief Secretary

To the Public Works Department.

1877. SOUTH AFRICAN.
From the Chief Secretary
To the Chief Secretary
Dated 20th June 1877.
Desp. 21st Received 25th
ENCLOSURES 2
No. 69.
Subject
The question of the
disposition of the
land in the Colony
and the various
businesses of the
Government.
These are the
enclosures.

N. 1637 W. 1st April 78

It has not been practicable
to provide funds for these works
in the Provincial Budget of
1878 + 1879.

GO. 3. Oct. 1875. No. 2666.
" 18 Mar 1875. " 706.

D. Eng. South. Acot.
Sub. Dept.

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Govt. of (1878) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS

To

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C. O. 1st April 1878. No 1637W

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