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GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

P.W.D. DEPARTMENT

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following papers:—

Remarks of the Committee appointed under G.O., No. 3464 W., Public Works, dated 3rd December 1883.

In pursuance of G.O., dated 3rd December 1883, No. 3464 W., Public Works, the committee therein nominated met on 21st January 1884.

The different sites alluded to in the Consulting Architect's letter were inspected, viz.:—

1. The proposed site on beach road near Messrs. Parry and Co's office.
2. The site marked A.
3. The site marked B known as Mofuskhan's gardens, and C close to Post and Telegraph offices.
4. The present mule stables.

The committee are of opinion that Messrs. Parry and Co's objection to having a stable located just under their office and the neighbouring school is a valid one and should, if possible, be respected.

The site marked A is, on inquiry, found likely to entail a much greater outlay than the amount mentioned in the Consulting Architect's letter, viz., Rs. 25,000; it would more nearly approach 75,000.

But a small piece of ground not alluded to in the paper, close by the Post office marked C might be acquired for (Rs. 3,000 ?) and on it suitable stables might be erected for the officials only. The stabling for the service horses to be placed on the piece of ground called Mofuskhan's garden. The two would cost, including building, about Rs. 47,000.

Then there remains the present mule stables which come under consideration because the Executive Engineer, a member, informs the committee that he is in want of space for 500 mules, and that it will be necessary considerably to enlarge the present building. As Messrs. Parry and Co. already object to the comparatively small establishment, their objection to 500 would, of course, be much stronger. It will probably therefore be necessary presently to erect stables for mules in some other locality, and the present stables would have either to be pulled down or utilized in some other way. Why not convert them at once into stables for the Post office? The cost would be, including accommodation for the horses and carriages of officials, about Rs. 22,000, a probable saving of Rs. 25,000 to Government and their proximity to the Post office makes the site a desirable one.

Convenience and economy are on the side of converting the present mules stables into Post office stables. Against this it is urged that as the Harbour and Port of Madras become developed it is not probable that stables will be allowed to occupy such a site, the land will be wanted for more important buildings. This is a point Government would probably be able to decide better than the present committee.

The choice seems therefore to lie between Mofuskhan's garden and the present mule lines. In Appendices X and Y attached are given the approximate cost of each site, and a tracing showing the different localities accompanies this report.

MADRAS,
29th January 1884.

(Signed) M. C. FURNELL, M.D., F.R.C.S.,
Sanitary Commissioner.

(„) J. L. L. MORANT, Major, R.E.,
Offg. Consulting Architect.

(„) S. SULLEN,
Presidency Postmaster.

As there appears to be no probability of Government allowing any large extension of the present mule stables now capable of containing 75 mules, &c., and as the Commissariat and Quartermaster-General's Departments require much larger accommodation so as to contain in addition to the above, 144 bullocks, 59 carts, 4 dhoolies, 20 trollies, 169 cattle attendants and families, 1 gram boiling shed and other buildings, I am of opinion there is no choice in the matter but for these mule stables to be either pulled down, or handed over to the Post office authorities for whose purposes they are apparently very suitable and can be adapted.

The early selection of a new site for Commissariat cattle lines elsewhere will then be necessary.

(Signed) W. H. BURTON, Lieut.-Col., R.E.,
Executive Engineer, Presidency Division.

No. 375 C., Public Works.

Referred to the Military Department, for favor of information whether His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief and the Government have any objection to the proposal to convert the mule lines on the beach into Post office stables.

CHEPÂK,
16th February 1884.

(Signed) J. SHAW-STEWART, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

No. 791, Military.

Referred to the Commissary-General for report through His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief (Quartermaster-General's Department).

(By Order.)

FORT ST. GEORGE,
18th February 1884.

(Signed) A. R. KENNEY-HERBERT, Lieut.-Col.,
Offg. Secretary to Government.

From Colonel B. H. W. MAGRATH, Commissary-General, to the Quartermaster-General, Ootacamund, dated Madras, 28th March 1884, No. 7926.

The committee appointed in G.O., No. 3464 of 3rd December 1883, to select a site for the Post office stables at Madras advocate the conversion of the present mule lines for that purpose, on the grounds of economy and convenience, and as their recommendation will probably meet with the approval of Government, I have the honor to enclose, for submission to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, a sketch of some Government land on which I believe it would, from every point of view, be most advantageous to locate the transport establishment of this district.

2. For many years this question has been cropping up but no definite solution has ever been arrived at.

3. Originally it was intended to make lines for all the cattle and their attendants at Washermanpettah: plans and estimates were prepared by the Public Works Department, but that fell through.

4. Subsequently Government sanctioned the erection of the present mule lines, and it was intended to concentrate all the transport in the same place: this scheme has also fallen through.

5. Nothing can be more unsatisfactory than the state of affairs now; the draught bullocks with their carts and attendants are at Washermanpettah where the transport officer cannot exercise a proper supervision over them; the mules are on the beach, but their attendants live two miles away; the non-commissioned officer who should superintend the feeding of all the cattle daily cannot do so as the two lines are so far apart; the bullocks have on an average to go three miles to their work and after their work is over have to return the same distance, thus entailing much additional labor which the cattle should be spared; it is impossible to comply promptly with emergent requisitions the cattle lines being so far away from indenting officers; in fact, there can be no method, no supervision and no economy, as long as the transport cattle are kept where they are.

6. His Excellency will see by a reference to the plan that the land required by this department for mule, bullock and attendant lines is but a small corner, the alienation of which for this purpose cannot injuriously interfere with any one.

7. The situation is very central and in every respect the best available in Madras; it is a mile closer to the Fort than Washermanpettah, and nearly five miles closer to the Bakery, St. Thomas' Mount, Pallavaram and Poonamallee; it is further from the Commissariat stores where transport cattle have a good deal of work, but even this one drawback will cease if my suggestion of moving the office of the Executive Commissariat officer, Madras, into the Fort is carried out.

8. I trust His Excellency will be pleased to apply to Government for this land and that he will be good enough to use his influence to have the lines erected as soon as possible.

From Colonel B. H. W. MAGRATH, Commissary-General, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 21st February 1884, No. 2662 T.B. (through the Quartermaster-General).

In returning the proceedings of a committee appointed to select a site for the stables of the new Post office, referred for report under your endorsement, No. 791, dated 18th February 1884, I have the honor to state, with reference to the proposal therein made, that, with the following provisos, there is no objection to the present mule stables being surrendered for that purpose.

2. In appendix Y, it is estimated that a sum of Rs. 14,000 would be sufficient to erect similar mule stables elsewhere. This estimate will require confirmation when the new site has been selected.

3. An estimate of about Rs. 81,770 has been sanctioned by Government for the erection of stables and quarters for animals and attendants as per margin, and plans have been submitted by the Chief Engineer, and approved of by this office, for their construction; the site of the new mule lines should therefore be chosen so as to admit of the proposed additions being carried out when funds are allotted. The committee have been misinformed that extra accommodation is required for 500 more mules; such is not the case.

4. The present mule stables cannot be given up until the proposed stables in their stead have been actually built upon an approved site. For if they were given up now there would be no shelter for the mules while new stables were under construction, and it is more than likely that there would be considerable delay in even allotting funds for the purpose.

Sheds for 206 bullocks, 100 carts, 23 trollies,
12 sick carts, 5 dhoolies.
1 Gram boiling shed.
1 Grass shed.
1 Guard room.
1 Grain soaking room.
1 Store room for grain.
1 do. for stock articles.
2 Drinking troughs.
Quarters for 17 petty officers, 173 attendants.

No. 2112.

Forwarded, with the suggestion of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief that, whatever amount may be required for new stabling for mules of the transport department be provided from funds which are available from the grant for the Post office buildings, the present mule stabling in the beach being made over for Post office purposes when the new ones are completed.

2. The cost of acquiring a site for the new mule stables, &c., should likewise be met from the grant for the Post office buildings, the site originally set apart for these stables being now required for Post office purposes.

3. A letter, No. 7926, dated 28th instant, from the Commissary-General on the subject of a site for the new stabling, &c., is herewith forwarded for the consideration of Government.

(By Order.)

OOTACAMUND,
1st April 1884.

(Signed) R. C. STEWART, Brigadier-General,
Quartermaster-General.

No. 1685, Military.

Transferred to the Public Works Department and the referred papers returned. The Government in the Military Department have no objection to the arrangement, provided the expenditure already incurred on the present mule stables be written back to Military.

2. The site proposed by the Commissary-General for cover for the whole of the Military transport located at Madras is approved.

(By Order.)

FORT ST. GEORGE,
8th April 1884.

(Signed) A. R. KENNEY-HERBERT, Lieut.-Col.,
Offg. Secretary to Government.

From W. R. CORNISH, Esq., F.R.C.S., C.I.E., Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Ootacamund, 7th May 1884, No. O-47.

With reference to your letter, No. 86 E., dated the 5th instant, I have the honor to inform you that in my opinion the site proposed for the erection of stables for the Commissariat mules on the Pudupet maidan will not inconvenience the new ophthalmic hospital, if arrangements are made for proper conservancy.

2. The plan is herewith returned as requested.

ORDER—dated 19th May 1884, No. 1261 W., Public Works.

After careful consideration of the various proposals which have been made for providing the requisite stabling accommodation in connection with the new Post office at Madras, the Government are of opinion that the present Commissariat mule stables on the beach should be availed of, other accommodation being provided from Postal funds for the Commissariat mules on the Pudupet maidan the property of Government. The Surgeon-General is of opinion that the proposed site on the Pudupet plain will be unobjectionable so far as the new ophthalmic hospital in the same locality is concerned, provided arrangements are made for proper conservancy.

2. The Consulting Architect to Government will now, in communication with the Commissary-General, frame the requisite estimates for new mule stables, the cost of which should be added to separate estimates which should be drawn up for adapting the existing mule stables for Postal purposes.

3. The new mule stables should first be taken in hand, and, on their completion, the stables on the beach will be vacated and the requisite alterations to them carried out.

(True Extract.)

Major, R.E.,
Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Consulting Architect to Government, with plans and estimates.
" Superintending Engineer, V Circle.
" Military Department.
" Financial
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

Exd. A. Aubert.
Spare Copies

BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of (1884) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated May, 19th.

Recd.

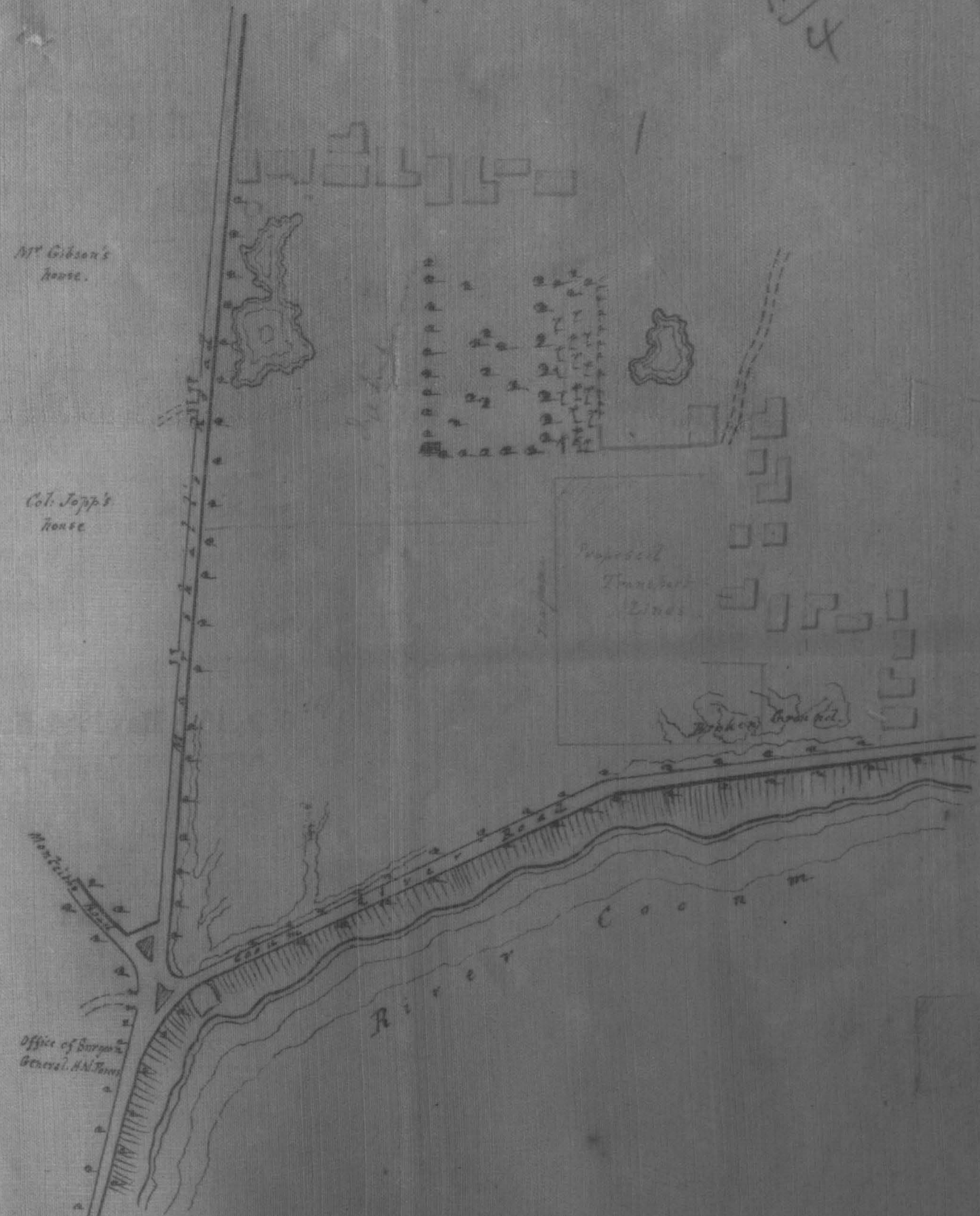
Encl.

G.O., 19th May 1884, No. 1261 W.

MAY.

Stables

Estimates called for for adapting the present Commissariat mule stables on the beach as — for the new Post office, Madras; and for building fresh ones for the mules on the Pudupet maidan.



A. H. Infante ditto
Ret. 2 1/2. Transport Off.

Review the following papers:-

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Remarks of the Committee appointed under
G. O. N° 3464 W. Public Works dated 3rd December
1883.

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3rd 1883 N° 3464 W. Public Works the Committee
therein nominated met on January 21st 1884.

The different sites alluded to in the
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- 1 The proposed site on beach road near Messrs
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- 2 The site marked A
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Khan's gardens and C close to Post
and Telegraph offices
- 4 The present Mule stables

The Committee are of opinion that
Messrs. Parry & Co's objection to having a stable
located just under their office and the neigh-
bouring school is a valid one and should, if
possible, be respected.

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The site marked A is, on enquiry found likely to entail a much greater outlay than the amount mentioned in the Consulting Architect's letter viz Rs 25,000 - it would more nearly approach 75,000.

But a small piece of ground not alluded to in the paper, close by the Post office marked C might be acquired for (Rs 3000?) and on it suitable stables might be erected for the officials only. The stabling for the service horses to be placed on the piece of ground called Mofus Khan's garden. The two would cost, including building, about Rs 47,000.

Then there remains the present mule stables which come under consideration because the Executive Engineer, a member, informs the Committee that he is in want of space for 500 mules, and that it will be necessary considerably to enlarge the present building. As Messrs Parry and Co already object to the comparatively small establishment, their objection to 500 would of course be much stronger. It will probably therefore be necessary presently to erect stables
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for mules in some other locality and the present stables would have either to be pulled down or utilised in some other way. Why not convert them at once into stables for the Post office? The cost would be, including accommodation for the horses and carriages, of Officials about Rs 22,000, a probable saving of Rs 25,000 to Government and their proximity to the Post office makes the site a desirable one.

Convenience and economy are on the side of converting the present mule stables into Post office stables. Against this it is urged that as the Harbour and Port of Madras become developed it is not probable that stables will be allowed to occupy such a site, the land will be wanted for more important buildings. This is a point Government would probably be able to decide better than the present Committee.

The choice seems therefore to lie between Mofus Khan's garden and the present mule lines. In Appendices X and Y attached are given the approximate cost of each

each site, and a tracing showing the different localities accompanies this report.

Office of Sanitary Commr.

Madras January 29th

1884

M. L. J. J. J.

Sanitary Commissioner for Madras

President

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Presidential Secretary

J. H. Morant

Major. M. S.

Off. Consulting Architect

As there appears to be no probability of Govt. allowing any large extension of the present Mule Stables now capable of containing 75 Mules &c. and as the Comdant and St. Mr. General's Dept. require much larger accommodation so as to contain in addition to the above, 144 bullocks, 59 carts, 4 pools, 20 trollies, 169 cattle attendants and families, 1 grain boiling shed and other buildings I am of opinion there is no choice in the matter but for these Mule Stables to be either pulled down, or handed over to the Post Office authorities for whose purposes they are apparently very suitable and can be adapted.

The early selection of a new site for Comdant cattle pens elsewhere will then be necessary.

W. H. J. J. J.

Spec. and Engineer
Pres. Secy.

Public Department

File No 1276

From,
Sd/-y Surg-Maj. In C. Farnell
M.D. 7th
Sany. Commr. for Madras.

To,
The Secretary to Govt.
Public Works Department.
P.W. 3/10

Dated 6th
Despatch - } February 1884
Recd 11

Subject

Submit report of the Com-
mittee appointed under
G.O. No 3464 W Public Works
to select a site for the Post office
stables.

No 3750

P.W. Dept

Memorandum

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Report of the Committee appointed
in G.O. No 3464 W of 3rd December 83,
to select a site for Post office Stables
at Madras.

Referred to the Military Dept.,
for favor of information whether His
Excellency the Commander-in-Chief
and ^{the} Government have any objection
to the proposal to convert the
mule lines on the beach into
Post office Stables.

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16th February 84

M. M. M. M.
Col. R. B.

Secretary to Govt. P.W.D.

To
The Military Dept.

2nd Dec

Former papers.

MILITARY (1884) DEPARTMENT.

No 32103B

19-2-84

REQUESTED TO BE
RETURNED WITH REPLY.

From

The

P.W. Dept.

No.

No. 3757
P.W. 3757/84

Dated

16 Feb: 84

Recd.

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Registered

3 ENCLOSURES.

P. G., No.

, dated

11/Jan

Requesting to
be informed whether
Govt. would have
any objection to the
proposal to convert
the mule lines on
the beach into Post
Office Stables -

No.

Commissionary Genl's Office

Madras 28 March 1884

No 7926

From,

Colonel B. H. W. Magrath,
Commissionary General,
Madras.

To

The Quarter Master General,
Cotacamund.

Sir,

The Committee appointed
in G. O No 3464 of 3rd Decr/83 to
select a site for the post office
stables at Madras advocate the
conversion of the present Mule
Lines for that purpose, on the
grounds of economy and convenience,
and as their recommendation
will probably meet with the
approval of Government, I
have the honor to enclose, for
submission to His Excellency
the Commander-in-Chief a
sketch

sketch of some Government land on which I believe it would, from every point of view, be most advantageous to locate the Transport Establishment of this District.

2. For many years this question has been cropping up but no definite solution has ever been arrived at.

3. Originally it was intended to make Lines for all the Cattle and their attendants at Washermanpettah: plans and estimates were prepared by the D. P. W. but that fell through.

4. Subsequently Government sanctioned the erection of the present Mule Lines and it was intended to concentrate all

all the Transport in the same place: this scheme has also fallen through.

5. Nothing can be more unsatisfactory than the state of affairs now. The draught bullocks with their carts and attendants are at Washermanpettah where the Transport Officer cannot exercise a proper supervision over them: the Mules are on the beach but their attendants live two miles away: the hon. Commissioned Officer who should superintend the feeding of all the Cattle daily cannot do so as the two Lines are so far apart: the bullocks have on an average to go three miles to their work and after their work is over have to return the same distance, thus

thus entailing much additional labor which the Cattle should be spared = it is impossible to comply promptly with emergent requisitions the Cattle Lines being so far away from indenting Officers: in fact, there can be no method, no supervision and no economy as long as the Transport Cattle are kept where they are.

6. His Excellency will see by a reference to the plan that the land required by this Department for mule bullock and attendant Lines is but a small corner the alienation of which for this purpose cannot injuriously interfere with any one.

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8. I trust His Excellency will be pleased to apply to Government for this land and

and that he will be good
enough to use his influence
to have the Lines erected as
soon as possible.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your Most Obedient Servant

Wm Minto Colonel
Commissary General

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From,

Col. B. H. W. Magrath
Commissary Genl.
Madras

To
The Quarter Master
General
Ootacamund

Dated 28 { March/84
Received {
No 7926
Enclosure 1

Forwards a sketch of
some Government land
for the location of the
Transport Establish. of the
District and requests His
Excellency the Commander
- in - chief to apply to Govt.
and use his influence to
have the Mule Lines erected
as soon as possible.

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In the Quarter Master General's

No. 713
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COMMISSARY-GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Transport Branch,

Madras, 21 February 1884

From Colonel B. H. W. Magrath,
COMMISSARY-GENERAL,

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Fort Saint George

Sir,

In returning the proceedings of a
Committee appointed to select a site for the
stables of the new Post Office, referred for
report under your endorsement No 791 -
dated 18th February/84, I have the honor
to state, with reference to the proposal
therein made, that, with the following
provisions, there is no objection to the present
mule stables being surrendered for that
purpose.

2. In appendix Y, it is estimated
that a sum of 14,000 Rupees would be
sufficient to erect similar mule stables
elsewhere. This estimate will require
confirmation when the new site has
been selected.

3. An estimate of about Rs 8,470 has been sanctioned by Government for the erection of stables and quarters for animals and attendants as per margin, and plans have been submitted by the Chief Engineer, and approved of by this Office, for their construction; the site of the new mule lines should therefore be chosen so as to admit of the proposed additions being carried out when funds are allotted. The Committee have been misinformed that extra accommodation is required for 500 more mules; such is not the case.

Sheds for
 200 bullocks
 100 carts
 23 droolies
 12 sick carts
 5 droolies
 1 grain bin shed
 1 grass shed
 1 guard room
 1 grain cooking room
 1 store room for grain
 1 100 for stock keeping
 2 drinking troughs
 Quarters for
 17 Petty Officers
 175 Attendants.

4. The present mule stables cannot be given up until the proposed stables in their stead have been actually built upon an approved site. For if they were given up now there would be no shelter for the mules while new stables were under construction, and it is more than likely that there would be

Considerable

Considerable delay in even allotting funds for the purpose.

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I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedt. servant

Humming Lieut. Col.

for Commy: General.

From *1884* *Sept*
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THE COMMISSARY-GENERAL,

Madras,

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Fort St. George

PW *3/73/82*

S.B.
No. *2662*

ENCLOSURE *6*

Dated

21st

Despd.

3rd

February 1884
April 1884

States that under certain
conditions, there is no objection
to the present mule stables
being surrendered for those
of the new Post Office.

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Quarter Master General's Office
Octagonumund 1st April 1884

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Forwarded with the suggestion of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief that whatever amount may be required for new stabling for mules of the Transport Department, be provided from funds which are available from the grant for the Post Office buildings, the present mule stabling in the beach being made over for Post Office purposes when the new ones are completed.

2. The cost of acquiring a site for the new mule stables &c should likewise be met from the grant for the Post Office buildings the site originally set apart for these stables being now required for Post Office purposes.

3. A letter, N^o 7926 dated 28th Instant, from the Commissary General on the subject of a site for the new stabling &c is herewith forwarded for the consideration of Government.

(By order)

N Stewart

Brigadier General,

Quarter Master General.

To

The Secretary to Government
Military Department.

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MILITARY (1884) DEPARTMENT.

No. 1666

From

THE Quartermaster Genl

No. 2112

Dated 1st April

Recd. 3rd

Registered

ENCLOSURES

P. G., No. , dated

Transferred to the
Public Works Department
and the referred papers
returned.

The Government in the
Military Department have
no objection ^{to the arrangement} provided the
expenditure already incurred
on the present mule stables
be written back to Military.
2nd ~~and approve~~ The site proposed
by the Commissary General
for cover for the whole of the
Military transport located at
Madasia approved.
(By order.)

Wm. H. H. St. Colmd.
Offg. Secy to Government.

No.

For St. George
8th April 1884

17/4/84

Reporting on letter
from the Commr. Genl.
regarding the surrender of
the present mule stables
to the New Post office.

OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL

WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

Cotacamund 7th May 1884.

No. 947

From

THE SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

MADRAS, Cotacamund

To

The Chief Engineer
Public Works Department

SIR,

With reference to your letter #86E
dated the 5th instant, I have the
honor to inform you that in my opinion
the site proposed for the erection of stables
for the Commissariat Mules on the
Pudupett maidan will not inconvenience
the new Ophthalmic Hospital, if
arrangements are made for proper
conservancy.

2- The plan is herewith returned as
requested.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most Obedt. Servant

Wm. H. H. St. Colmd.
Surgeon General
with the Govt of Madras

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From

THE SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

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Dated

7th

May

1884

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No 1261 N. 2/13. 1884

SUBJECT.

Inform that
 the site proposed for the
 erection of stables for Commt.
 mules will not inconvenience

Note
 Site plan returned at
 10/5/84 with the letter from
 and original sent to the
 14/5/84

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D. W.

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To Sir.

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For orders.

The Commisary, J. &
 the Military authorities
 propose to locate the
 mule lines, & shelter
 for transport cattle
 on the Padupet
 Maidan -

The new Ophthalmic
 Hospital & High Court
 buildings are to be
 constructed there.
 There is room on the
 plain for the stables
 also, but it is doubtful
 whether it will
 be deemed advisable
 to place them in such
 close proximity to
 large public buildings
 especially a hospital.
 H. E. The C. in C.
 proposed not long

ago to provide stabling
for Remount horses
on the Pundabet plain,
& then pointed
out the inadvisableness
of placing stabling
near large public
buildings.

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Site for Mule Stables. 26/2/84

I am afraid we are as far
as ever from a solution of
the vexed question of the best
mule stables, the military authorities
insisting on locating the mule lines
in transport cattle sheds on the
Mandipett hillside, to which,
pointed out by S.A.W., there
are insuperable objections.

As far as the Post Office stables
are concerned the only alternative
seems to be to purchase site
D. This will involve an outlay
of Rs. 47,320, and the question
of the location of the mule stables
& transport cattle will still
remain unsettled.

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16.4.84

There seems to be a slight
inaccuracy here. The sum
of Rs. 47,320 includes an item
of Rs. 8,470 for providing stabling
on site C, - which would
probably be needed in any case.
The portion appertaining to
site B seems to be Rs. 38,850.

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I concur with you that the objections to locating the Vanepond on the Padupett Maidan are insuperable.

The Ophthalmic Hospital is now under construction there, & the building of other public offices on the site has been proposed. To give up part of the ground for a large range of stabling would be suicidal.

But before recommending Govt. to acquire Site B for P.O. stables, I think it would be well if you would see the Comm. General, - point out the fatal objections to his proposal so far as the Padupett site is concerned, - and ascertain whether there is no other site (at Washermanpet or elsewhere) to which the Mule Stables could be removed with his concurrence. Of course, the question whether such site belongs to Govt. is an important factor, so far as cost is concerned.

From the papers in file it seems clear that the transfer of the existing Mule Stables to the P.O. would be a

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commence to both Dept
— and if that be so, it
would be a pity to give up
the proposal, and to incur
larger expenditure in
building the P.O. stables
on a site considerably less
convenient, — unless
the transfer is absolutely out
of the question.

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To W.

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W. Department

Transport lines & P.O. stables.

In view to a settlement of this
question I went over the Indrapatti
proposed site for transport lines this
morning with the Com: General.
I am of opinion that the transport
lines will not be better located, that
the lines will not inconvenience the
Military Hospital (a point which is
subject of course to the concurrence of
military authorities), and that there
will be left, after the construction of
the Hospital & lines, sufficient space
for any large public building it may
be determined hereafter to construct on
the Indrapatti grounds.

When things considered, I think this
is the best solution of the difficulty.
It will fully satisfy the Com: General,
who will find up the existing road
to the lines, which arrangement
will be convenient for the P.O. authorities.
Further, it will be economical.

The insuperable land objection I put
in my note of 16th fall through. The
Com: General assures me the lines will be
kept perfectly clean & sweet, and their
proximity will be no discomfort to the
Military Hospital or to the possible
other buildings in the still vacant space.

We inspected also what appears
a suitable site north of that
part of the Mount Road which adjoins
the Stephinstone Hotel. Unfortunately
I have just ascertained that this
ground is private property, so any scheme
connected with it must be abandoned.
The next in line to be considered
is the accompanying map I have
shown in red pencil the ground I allude to
is situated in a vacant d/o under
the name of

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No 1261 W I. W. Department,
Proceedings of the Madras Government,
Under date the 19th May 1884
Read the following:—

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Proceedings of Committee appointed in 3rd A.E. January 29, 1884)
G.O. No 3416 W of 3rd December 1883.

Memo: to the Military Department ("No 375 of Feb: 16, 1884)

Endorsement, Military Dept, to the
Commissary General } (" " 791 of " 18, ")

Letter from the Commr: General to
the Quartermaster General } (" " 7926 of Mch: 28, ")

Letter from the Commr: Genl to the
Military Department } (" " 782 of Feb: 21, 1884)

Endorsement 2nd Div Genl - No 2112 of 1st Apr 1884
Endorsement in the Military Dept (" " 1685 of April, 8, ")

Letter from the Surgeon General
to the Govt of Madras } (" " 147 of May 7, ")

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After careful consideration
of the various proposals

which have been made for
providing the requisite
stabling accommodation
in connection with the new
Post office at Madras, the
Government are of opinion
that the present Commisariat
Mule ^{on the beach} stables should be
availed of; - other accommoda-
tion being provided, from
Postal Funds, for the
Commisariat mules on the
Pudupett Maidan, the
property of Government. The
Surgeon General is of opinion
that the proposed site on
the Pudupett plain will be
unobjectionable so far as
the new Ophthalmic Hospital

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in the same locality is
concerned, provided arrange-
ments are made for proper
conservancy.

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The Consulting Architect
to Government will now, in
communication with the

Commissary General, frame
the requisite estimates for
new mule stables, the cost
of which should be added
to separate estimates which
should be drawn up for
adapting the existing mule
stables for Postal purposes.

The new mule stables
should first be taken in
hand; and, on their completion,
^{on the beach}
the present stables will be

vacated and the requisite
alterations to them carried
out.

The Hon. H. S. Sullivan
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To,
The Com. Architects to Govt.
with plans & specifications
" S. E. V. Arick
" Military Department
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" Examiner, S. W. Arick

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~~The Hon. J. Sullivan~~
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these proposed arrangements.

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