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17TH JULY 1884, No. 1762 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
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READ—the following letter from Major J. L. L. MORANT, R.E., Offg. Consulting Architect to Government, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Madura, 9th July 1884—Through the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle:—

With reference to paragraph 2 of the Committee's report (printed with Public Works G.O., No. 170 W., dated 19th January 1884) relating to the restoration of Tirumal Naick's palace at Madura, I have the honor to report that I am at Madura, where I have inspected the whole palace in company with the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle.

2. We are of opinion that it would be best to complete the decorations of the palace in the simplest possible way. The continuation of the elaborate decoration with which the judge's court and other parts of the building have been enriched will cost a great deal of money, take up a considerable time, and, when done, be likely to be injured sooner or later (from its fineness and elaboration) by birds and the weather.

3. We propose preparing the estimate to cover the restoration of the surface of the walls, &c., which has been injured by time or through decay and neglect, but not to attempt to replace the griffins, birds and other elaborate ornaments which have entirely disappeared and the restoration of which must, in the nature of things, be more or less conjectural. We intend to leave entirely untouched as much of the work now existing as is fairly good. Its shape and coloring are good, and if a restoration of such parts is once begun there is no saying how far it will go—and, when done, it cannot be an improvement on the present work. In short, we think the best plan will be to do as little as possible and to try and obtain a clean, wholesome building, as like what it is now as it can be.

4. May I request you will kindly pass an early order on this proposal in order that we may be guided in our preparation of the estimate and the prosecution of the work.

ORDER—dated 17th July 1884, No. 1762 W., Public Works.

The proposals of the Consulting Architect to Government and the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, are approved.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Architect to Government.
" Superintending Engineer, VI Circle.
" Revenue Department.
" Judicial "

Rd. E. Fernandez.

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Tirumal Naick's Palace, Madura

Sanctioning certain proposals of the Consulting Architect and the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, with regard to the restoration of the —.

Office of the Consulting Architect
Camp/Madura. 9 July 1884.

From

The Consulting Architect
to Government.

To
The Chief Engineer

P. O. D.
[thru the Engr's Engineer's office]

Sir,

With reference to para 2 of the Committee's report (printed with Public Works G.O. No 170 W dated 19 January 1884) relating to the restoration of Tirumal Naick's Palace at Madura. I have the honor to report that I am at Madura where I have inspected the whole Palace in company with the Superintending Engineer II Circle.

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building as like what it is now as it can be -

4. May I request you will kindly pass an early order on this proposal in order that we may be guided in our preparation of the estimate and the prosecution of the work.

I have the honour to be

Yours most obedient servant.

John Morant. Mayor R.C.
Consulting Architect.

Forwarded to Mr
Chapman

W. Hunt Esq

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From,
 The Consulting architect
 to Govt.

To,
 The Chief Engineer
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Dated 9th July 1884.

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