

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
10th October 1872.*

No. 94. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 1st October 1872, No. 6620 (Miscellaneous):—

Read the following letter from the President of the Local Fund Board, Tinnevely, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Tinnevely, 19th September 1872, No. 428:—

With reference to the Board's Proceedings, No. 4730 (Miscellaneous), dated 8th July 1872, I have the honour to inform you that there are ten Public Bungalows in this district—nine of these are kept up by Government, and one by the subscriptions of the European community.

2. The Palamcottah and Tuticorin Municipalities have agreed to take over the bungalows in these towns, respectively.

3. The Local Fund Board of the Tinnevely Circle will take over those at Kytar, Kovilpatti, Sattur, Virdupatti, and Streeviliputtur, and the Local Fund Board of the Shermadevi Circle will take over those at Naganeri, Panagudi, and Alankolam.

4. The resolutions of the Boards are enclosed.

Submitted for the sanction of Government.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

No. 95. ORDER THEREON, 10th October 1872, No. 1368.

The transfer of the Travellers' Bungalows, in the Tinnevely District, to the Municipalities and Local Fund Board, as proposed, is sanctioned.

2. The usual statements of receipts and charges connected with these institutions should have been submitted by the President.

3. The Collector will publish a notification declaring the transfer in the District Gazette.

(True Extract.)

R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue, with two enclosures returned.

„ President of the Municipal Commissions in Tinnevely District.

21-12-13

Sanctioning the transfer of the Travellers' Bungalows, in the Tinnevely District, to the Municipality and Local Fund Board, as proposed.

OCTOBER.
Nos. 94-95.

G. O., 10th October 1872, No. 1368.

Dated October, 10th.

Recd.

To
THE BOARD OF REVENUE,
Ac., Ac., &c.

FINANCIAL.

Obdt. of 1872

17TH APRIL 1882, No. 389, REVENUE.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following G.O., dated 6th February 1882, Mis. No. 410, Revenue :—
Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 17th January 1882, No. 118 :—

Read—the following letter from T. VOND. HARDINGE, Esq., Sub-Collector, to the Collector of Tinnevely, dated Tuticorin, 19th December 1881, No. 889; and Endorsement by J. B. PENNINGTON, Esq., Collector of Tinnevely, dated 22nd December 1881 :—

With reference to G.O. of the 8th November 1881, No. 1663, communicated with your foot-note No. 1783, of the 6th instant, I have the honor to request, assuming the standing rule spoken of in the Government Order is to be that of the Government of India Resolution embodied in G.O., dated the 7th April 1876, No. 967, to the effect that the calculation of rent should be made so as to cover interest at $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the capital cost *plus* a fair allowance for risk and for the average cost of repairs, that $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. be taken as the fair allowance, and not $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. as recommended by Mr. Rundall and approved by Government in their G.O. of the 23rd July 1879. This would make the rate for rent calculation 6 instead of 7 per cent. The annual value of offices and houses of merchants and European residents of Tuticorin for fixing, on revision in 1879, the house-tax under the Towns' Improvement Act was calculated at 6 per cent. only on the capital cost of the buildings.

2. That the rent resulting from the 7 per cent. rate is far too high is the opinion of the Collector. Every Sub-Collector has protested against it, and the Board, in their Proceedings of January 1881, characterize it as excessive.

3. I therefore request that if the rule does not admit of the rent being reduced to Rs. 60, which I still consider the proper rent, that at any rate it be reduced from Rs. 87-8-0, which is that now demanded by the Public Works Department, to Rs. 75.

Endorsement, No. 700.

Submitted for the favorable consideration of the Board and Government with reference to the orders quoted.

Resolution—dated 17th January 1882, No. 118.

Submitted for the orders of Government.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue
Department.
Copy to the Collector of Tinnevely.

Order—dated 6th February 1882, Mis. No. 410, Revenue.

Transferred to the Public Works Department with reference to G.O. in that Department, dated 23rd July 1879, No. 1941-W, and 1st December 1881, No. 2992-W.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Secretary to Government.

READ—also the following endorsement, dated 20th February 1882, No. 459-C, Public Works:—

Read—the above.

Endorsement—dated 20th February 1882, No. 459-C, Public Works.

Referred to the Superintending Engineer, 6th Circle, for opinion whether the rent might not fairly be reduced to Rs. 75 per mensem, which would allow $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on capital cost and $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. for repairs.

2. In the Chief Engineer's opinion, $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., or Rs. 375 per annum, for repairs would be an over estimate, if the bungalow be in fairly good order and well constructed.

(By Order.)

(Signed) ROSS THOMPSON, Lieut.-Col., R.E.,
Ag. Dy. Chief Engr. and Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

READ—also the following G.O., dated 24th March 1882, No. 705-C, Public Works.

Read—the following letter from Colonel J. BEATTY, R.E., Superintending Engineer, 6th Circle, to Colonel R. H. SANKEY, C.B.R.E., Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Nagercovil, 17th March 1882, No. 826-T-N:—

In reply to your Endorsement No. 459-C, of 20th ultimo, regarding the rent

1 Executive Engineer's original letter, No. 598,
4th March 1882.

1 Chief Engineer's letter, No. 459-C, dated
20th February 1882.

the buildings were constantly occupied, Rs. 75 per month would be a sufficient rent to charge.

2. But the Sub-Collectors are very frequently changed, and hitherto it has been optional with them to occupy the bungalow or not at their convenience, so that during the last two years very little rent has been collected.

3. I think therefore that if the rent be reduced, the Accountant-General should be directed to recover the rent from the pay of the officer who may for the time occupy the post of Sub-Collector, so long as Tuticorin is his head-quarters.

4. I send herewith for your information a letter on the subject from the Executive Engineer, Tinnevely. The last Sub-Collector occupied the buildings, and repairs were delayed until he found it convenient to allow the work to go on. That officer left on sick leave two or three weeks since, and the repairs are now in progress and will shortly be completed; but he declined to pay rent pending settlement of the question whether any reduction of the rate would be sanctioned.

ENCLOSURE.

Letter from J. W. MARTIN, Esq., Executive Engineer, Tinnevely District, to the Superintending Engineer, 6th Circle, dated Palamcottah, 4th March 1882, No. 598.

In reply to your docket No. 774-T-N, dated 24th ultimo, forwarding the Chief Engineer's Endorsement No. 459-C, dated 20th ultimo, regarding the rent of the Sub-Collector's bungalow

at Tuticorin, I have the honor to inform you that the bungalow will be in fair order as soon as the repairs provided for in the estimate, amounting to Rs. 554, sanctioned in G.O., No. 2866-W, dated 16th November 1881, are completed.

2. The bungalow has been fairly well constructed, and, if it were constantly occupied, I do not think the cost of annual repairs would be exceptionally heavy. It must, however, be remembered, that the Sub-Collectors are being constantly changed, and that on this account the cost of repairs is somewhat enhanced, for generally each new tenant requires repairs to be executed.

3. As matters stand at present, the rent derived from the bungalow is hardly equal to the outlay incurred on its upkeep, for owing to it having been left unoccupied for such long periods, very little rent has been collected. Under these circumstances, I think if the rent is reduced to Rs. 75 per month, it should be understood that every Sub-Collector, while he resides at Tuticorin, shall occupy the bungalow.

Order—dated 24th March 1882, No. 705-C, Public Works.

Referred to the Revenue Department for consideration whether the suggestion in paragraph 3 of the Superintending Engineer's letter can be enforced.

(By Order.)

(Signed) ROSS THOMPSON, Lieut.-Col., R.E.,
Acting Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

ORDER—dated 17th April 1882, No. 389, Revenue.

Miscellaneous.

The Government consent to fix the rent at Rs. 75 monthly; but inasmuch as the residence was purchased by Government for the Divisional Officer at the instance of the District authorities, and as the gentlemen holding the charge have, on one pretence or another, objected to occupy it, the resolution* to convert it into an office for the Divisional Officer and Assistant Superintendent of Police had better be carried out.

* G.O., dated 11th July 1881, No. 1051.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. F. WEBSTER,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Public Works Department.

Exd. W. H. French.

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Bto. 1201 Waf 11 "May/82

Communicated to the
Superintending Engineer
Sixth Circle who will
submit an estimate for
the alterations ordered in
G.O. No. 1880 Waf 30 "July 1881

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Gobt. of {1882} Madras.
REVENUE.

Order, dated 17th April 1882, No. 389.

Bto. 1201 Waf 11 "May 1882

Sub-Collector's Bungalow at Tuticorin — Tinne-
velly.—Fixing the rent of — at Rs. 75 monthly;
and directing its conversion into an office for the
Divisional Officer and Assistant Superintendent of
Police.

Superintending Engineer
Sixth Circle

with order

6TH MARCH 1884, No. 294, REVENUE.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following letter from J. W. MARTIN, Esq., Executive Engineer, Tinnevelly Division, to the Superintending Engineer, 6th Circle, dated Palamcottah, 28th January 1884, No. 494:—

In forwarding to you the Sub-Collector's letter No. 22, dated 24th instant, in which Mr. Rice informs me that he intends to vacate on the 1st proximo the Government bungalow at Tuticorin because he is about to proceed on jamabandi and because he understands that I am about to undertake extensive repairs to the house, I have the honor to inform you that I am writing to Mr. Rice and informing him that the bungalow will not be repaired during the current official year, and that I cannot tell him how soon after the commencement of the next official year the repairs will be started, and that in these circumstances, I think he should not vacate it.

2. As this bungalow is maintained for the residence of the Sub-Collector for the time being, I think Mr. Rice's proposal to vacate it is unreasonable and should not be allowed, for, if allowed, a precedent will be established which it is more than probable Mr. Rice and his successors will be only too glad to act on whenever they make protracted tours in camp. It is certain that his proposal would not be accepted by any private landlord in a place like Tuticorin where houses are scarce and house rent is high. The rent of the bungalow, Rs. 75 per month, is very moderate whether compared with Mr. Rice's salary or with the sum paid for the house. I think therefore that he should be made to pay for his bungalow so long as he remains Sub-Collector.

3. The duty of looking after the Government interest in the matter of this bungalow devolves on this department, and, as you are aware, there has been already a good deal of correspondence about the terms on which the Sub-Collector may be allowed to occupy it, for with almost every change of Sub-Collector the new man generally wants some concessions which, ordinarily speaking, private landlords would not give. It thus happens that this department is obliged often to enter into a disagreeable correspondence about this bungalow. This might be avoided easily if Government would pass an order to the effect, that the Sub-Collector for the time being shall occupy the bungalow without interruption during the time he remains in charge of the Sub-Collector's Division, or failing this, I would recommend the bungalow to be appropriated for the use of the Sub-Collector's office and the Assistant Superintendent of Police's office, for I believe Rs. 50 and Rs. 20 in the way of rent are now being paid by Government for the offices of these officers. If neither of these proposals are practicable, I think that at any rate something ought to be done, for the present system is unsatisfactory and I think results in a loss to Government.

4. In conclusion, I beg to inform you that it will be necessary to put a man in charge of the bungalow from the date Mr. Rice vacates it, and that accordingly I have directed the Tenkarai Sub-Divisional officer to appoint a man to take charge of it.

ENCLOSURE.

Letter from R. RICE, Esq., Sub-Collector of Tinnevely, to the Executive Engineer, Tinnevely, dated Tiruchendūr, 24th January 1884, No. 22.

As I am about to proceed on jamabandi for a protracted period, and as you are, I understand, about to undertake extensive repairs to the Government bungalow at Tuticorin, I have the honor to inform you that I shall give up the bungalow and place it at your disposal from the 1st February next.

—
No. 740-T.N.

Forwarded to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, with a request that orders may be given as to whether the orders of Government, No. 1201-W, of 11th May 1882, may not be acted on and an estimate submitted for sanction for altering the bungalow (that was purchased by Government at Tuticorin as a residence for the Sub-Collector at that station), to adapt it as a public office of the Sub-Collector and Assistant Superintendent of Police; this was ordered originally in G.O., No. 1880-W of 30th July 1881.

The last Order, No. 1201-W of 11th May 1882, was not carried, as under G.O., No. 1879, dated 22nd July 1882, Mr. Underwood, who then joined as Sub-Collector, was allowed to rent it at Rs. 75 a month. This officer has left the district and has been succeeded by Mr. Rice who took over the house and has been occupying it, and who reports that he intends to give it up on the 1st February.

Last December Mr. Rice complained that the house required repair, and the Executive Engineer was ordered to examine it, and if the repairs were likely to cost more than Rs. 1,000, to forward an estimate for the necessary work.

He reports that the roof requires thorough repair and the veranda flooring, owing to their not being matted as is usual, is bad. An estimate for this work, which is not emergent, is under preparation and the work will be undertaken next April when funds will probably be available.

The Superintending Engineer considers that there is no reason for Mr. Rice leaving the house as he has done, and that as only some of the Sub-Collectors of Tinnevely care to live in the house, it had better, as before ordered, be turned into offices.

Should Government decide on retaining the bungalow as a residence for the Sub-Collector, it is requested that orders may be given regarding the payment of rent for the building at present, as Mr. Rice has left it and will, unless ordered, pay no rent, and the Executive Engineer has to pay for a watcher in charge of it; the loss to Government is at least Rs. 80 a month.

TRICHINOPOLY,
1st February 1884.

(Signed) H. R. MEAD, Lieut.-Col., R.E.,
Superintending Engineer, 6th Circle.

—
Endorsement, No. 289-C.

Referred to the Revenue Department with remark that the Government in the Public Works Department are of opinion that so long as the building is retained as an official residence, the payment of rent should not be interrupted by the temporary absence of the officer occupying it.

CHEPAUK,
8th February 1884.

(Signed) C. BOWEN, Col., R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

To the Revenue Department, in original.

ORDER—dated 6th March 1884, No. 294, Revenue.

Miscellaneous.

As the building has been again left unoccupied, the Government do not consider that there is any need to reserve

it any longer as a residence for the Sub-Collector, and direct that G.O., dated 11th July 1881, No. 1051, in which it was decided that it should be converted into an office for the Divisional officer and the Assistant Superintendent of Police be given effect to.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department
„ the Judicial Department.
„ the Board of Revenue.

Exd. W. H. French.

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REVENUE.

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G.O., 6th March 1884, No. 294.

MARCH.

Sub-Collector's Bungalow at
Tuticorin.

Directing conversion of — into an office for
the Divisional officer and the Assistant Superin-
tendent of Police.

H. H.
Ngo on this is 893 W.D. 1-4-84
which is wanting

30TH JULY 1884, No. 1851 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following paper :—

G.O., dated 15th July 1884, No. 851, Revenue.

Read—the following proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 26th March 1884,
No. 1121 :—

ABSTRACT.—Communicating, with remarks, to the Collector of Tinnevely, Government
order directing conversion of Sub-Collector's bungalow at Tuticorin into an office for the
divisional officer and the Assistant Superintendent of Police.

Read—Endorsement of the Public Works Department, dated 16th May 1884, No. 142 E.

ABSTRACT.—Requesting very early orders regarding Tuticorin bungalow.

Order—dated 15th July 1884, No. 851, Revenue.

In G.O., No. 1330, dated 18th June 1884, Public Department, it is decided that
when Government provide a residence for an officer he shall be required to live in it,
and limits of rent with reference to rank of the officer and cost of the building are
laid down.

2. The Government are willing to retain the Tuticorin house as a residence for
the Sub-Collector as recommended by the Board. The provision of the order above
quoted should be applied to it.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary to Government.

ORDER—dated 30th July 1884, No. 1851 W., Public Works.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, with advertence to his
letter, No. 68 T.N., dated 7th May 1884, and in supersession of G.O., No. 893 W.,
dated 1st April 1884.

2. Orders in the Public Works Department on proceedings, No. 1330, Public,
dated 18th June 1884, will issue in due course.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle.
„ Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

Exd. E. Fernandez.
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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of (1884) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated July, 30th.

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G.O., 30th July 1884, No. 1851 W.

JULY.

Government Bungalow at
Tuticorin

*Proceedings, Revenue Department, directing,
with remarks, retention of the — as a residence
for the Sub-Collector, communicated to the
Superintending Engineer, VI Circle.*

25TH AUGUST 1884, No. 2094 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following papers :—

From the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, dated 20th February 1884, No. 794 T.N.

From Lieutenant-Colonel H. R. MEAD, R.E., Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Trichinopoly, 15th August 1884, No. 293 T.N. :—

In acknowledging the receipt of G.O., No. 1851 W., of 30th July 1884, I have the honor to request you will be good enough to sanction and return to me the two estimates forwarded with my report, No. 794 T.N., of 20th February 1884, through the Collector of Tinnevely, so that the works may be put in hand at once, as it is now decided that the bungalow at Tuticorin should be retained as a residence for the Sub-Collector.

I also request that the amount required for the two works, viz. :—

Repairs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	RS.
New Works	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,578
										648
Total	...									2,226

may be allotted.

ORDER—dated 25th August 1884, No. 2094 W., Public Works.

The estimate, amounting to Rs. 1,578, for repairs to the Sub-Collector's bungalow at Tuticorin, will be returned to the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, for sanction and execution from the Provincial repair grant to the Tinnevely division, which is increased by a corresponding amount by transfer from the reserve with Government.

2. With respect to the estimate of Rs. 648 for new work, the Superintending Engineer, in his report, No. 794 T.N., dated 20th February 1884, stated that he did not "approve of it, as the works are not, in his opinion, necessary;" and the Collector, in a note, dated 25th February 1884, endorsed the Superintending Engineer's opinion. The latter estimate is therefore returned unsanctioned.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, with eleven enclosures.

" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
" Revenue Department.

Exd. E. Fernandez.

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CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of 1884 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated August, 25th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 25th Aug. 1884, No. 2094 W.

AUGUST.

Sub-Collector's Bungalow at
Tuticorin

*Estimate for repairs to —, returned to the
Superintending Engineer for sanction and
execution.*

20TH NOVEMBER 1884, No. 2501, PUBLIC.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

G.O., 2nd October 1884, No. 2429 W., Public Works.

Read—the following letter from R. B. BUCKLEY, Esq., Officiating Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works department (Civil Works—Buildings), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works department, dated Simla, 18th September 1884, No. 353-B :—

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 1958 W., Public Works, dated 11th August 1884, forwarding, for confirmation, copy of proceedings of the Government of Madras prescribing 6 per cent. on the capital cost of a building as the maximum charge for rent.

2. In reply, I am to state that the Government of India is not satisfied that $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the cost of a building will always cover the cost of repairs and maintenance, as experience in other parts of India indicates that the average cost under those heads is fully double that percentage.

3. I am to add that the Government of India is not prepared to fix any maximum rental for public buildings occupied by its officers of other than subordinate ranks, whose case is met by the provisions of the Public Works Code, except that which may be determined by the calculation of $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the cost.

Order—dated 2nd October 1884, No. 2429 W., Public Works.

Communicated to the Public department for reconsideration of order in that department, No. 1330, dated 18th June 1884.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. BOWEN, Major, R.E.,
Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Public department.

ORDER—dated 20th November 1884, No. 2501, Public.

Communicated to the departments of the Secretariat and all heads of departments in continuation of G.O., No. 1330, dated 18th June 1884. Seven and a half per

cent. on the capital cost of the building will now be fixed as the maximum charge, to cover interest at $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. together with risk and repairs. The Public Works department will endeavour to regulate the capital cost of buildings that may hereafter be provided so that the rates shown in the margin may cover the rent charges.

	Rent per mensem.
	RS.
For a Collector	150
„ Sub-Collector	100
„ Head Assistant Collector.	80

(True Extract.)

E. F. WEBSTER,
Chief Secretary.

To the departments of the Secretariat.
„ all heads of departments.

23/11/84

22 2944 to d/28.11.84

Communicated to
officers of the P. & W. Dept.
for information and guidance
in continuation of G.O. No
2137 to d/29.8.84

(52) C.B.

Govt. of (1884) Madras.

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G.O., 20th November 1884, No. 2501.

B/L 2944 to d/28/11/84

NOVEMBER.

Accommodation for Public officers.

Communicating certain papers to the departments of the Secretariat and to all heads of departments, and fixing $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the capital cost of a building as the maximum charge for rent.

S. Engineers
C.A. to G.O.
Ch. E. for S.
Ex. P. & W. Accounts

8TH APRIL 1885, No. 1 M., FINANCIAL.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—

From J. LEE-WARNER, Esq., Collector of Tinnevely, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Tinnevely, 12th March 1885, No. 144.

I have the honor to apply for orders in the following matter.

2. By G.O., No. 1368, dated 10th October 1872, the travellers' bungalow in Tuticorin was handed over to the municipality without any specific conditions. Mainly owing to the competition of private hotels it has been found that its receipts from fees have been diminishing year by year, until at last the commissioners, foreseeing that it can only be worked hereafter at a loss, proposed, at the meetings of the 11th September and 28th November 1884, in the resolution, copies of which are forwarded with this letter, to abandon its use as a travellers' bungalow and to rent it from the Government for a municipal office. They offer Rs. 25 a-month, estimating the present value of the main building and premises attached at Rs. 4,000, but stipulate that Rs. 1,000 shall be laid out by the Government in necessary repairs. On the other hand the Executive Engineer estimates the value at Rs. 7,000, on which data, with reference to G.O., No. 2944, dated 28th November 1884, he fixes the rental which should be paid at Rs. 525, or Rs. 43 per mensem—a rent which the commissioners are not likely to consent to, and which seems to me quite excessive. The Executive Engineer says nothing about repairs; but it is to be presumed that, if this higher rent were collected, the building would have to be kept in repair by the Government.

3. The question to my mind is whether the municipality may not, under the circumstances, be allowed to deal with the bungalow as they please. They have had it in their custody from 1872, during part of which time, *i.e.*, for the five years from 1879-80, 1883-84, they laid out Rs. 640 in repairs, deriving in fees only Rs. 1,227 and paying Rs. 555 on establishment. The concern was thus scarcely a paying one and is likely to become less so especially as the main building is now in need of thorough repair—an expensive undertaking—which the commissioners cannot afford to undertake. I think that this is a case in which the Government may be willing to make a concession; and I would propose to leave the bungalow in their hands rent free subject to the condition that they keep it in good repair. If this proposal is favorably considered I request the early orders of the Government, as the commissioners have had notice from the owner to quit the premises, which they now occupy, from the 1st April.

4. The other alternative is for the Government to take the bungalow back from the municipality, repair and enlarge it and to turn it into an office for the Sub-Collector. This officer is now accommodated in a wretched building, for which the Government is paying a monthly rent of Rs. 50 and the merit of which consists in its being somewhat spacious and having an upstairs room for the Sub-Collector. These advantages are however much counter-balanced by the darkness of the lower rooms in which the establishment have to do their work.

ORDER—dated 8th April 1885, No. 1 M., Financial.

The Government resolve to hand over the building to the municipality on the condition (1) that they keep it in repair, and (2) that they hand it back to Government when required to do so.

2. The question of providing an office for the Sub-Collector will be referred for consideration in the Revenue and Public Works departments.

(True Extract.)

E. F. WEBSTER,
Chief Secretary.

To the Collector of Tinnevely.
„ Revenue department.
„ Public Works department.

Exd. J. Wright.

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(True Extract.)

M. M. M.

For Chief Secretary.

To the Collector of Tinnevely.
„ Revenue department.
„ Public Works department.

Exd. J. Wright.

No. 1368. Sub: dt 10.10.82
 No. 1201 W dt 11.5.82
 No. 893 W dt 1.4.84
 No. 1887 W dt 30.7.84
 No. 2094 W dt 25.8.84
 No. 2944 W dt 28.11.84

Gobt. of (1885) Madras.

FINANCIAL.

B. No. 951. W dt 21 April 85
 Communicated to the
 Suptg Engineer VI Circle

Orders in the Revenue
 Department will be
 awaited on the sub-
 ject of paragraph
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Encl. 7

G.O., 8th April 1885, No. 1 M.

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Municipal—Bungalows.

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 galow at Tuticorin to the municipality on certain
 conditions, and referring for the consideration of
 the Revenue and Public Works departments the
 question of providing an office for the Sub-
 Collector.

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 Rev. Dept. ✓
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with order