

For notes.

The Committee appointed
in G.O. 2379W dated 3.9.87
have submitted their report on the
subject of selling or leasing the
British fields as mentioned to Messrs
Jones & Co. Cornwall, and they
are unanimously opposed to such
an arrangement.

So far as their objections are
related to the terms offered by
Messrs Jones they may not be in-
superable; the Committee called
on Messrs Jones to submit certain
definite proposals, and the terms
he proposed are no doubt un-
favourable to F.R., but it is
possible that on careful consid-
eration he might be disposed to
modify them considerably. In
a recent letter received from
Messrs Jones since the Committee's
report was written he refers
to the question of the price of
hides to be supplied to the F.R.,
intimating that he does not press

for the advance of 10,000 Rs., and
states that he proposes to set up
a new found machinery free from all
incumbrances worth fully 50 p.c. more
than the advance asked for, on which
Messrs Jones have a lien.

Assuming that it is possible
to arrange terms for the sale or
lease of the British fields, the only
serious objection raised by the Com-
mittee is that "in the event of
the failure of Messrs Jones & Co.
Messrs Jones would be put to great expense
and inconvenience for the hides
manufacture would be a monopoly
supplied by F.R.". Of course,
the terms agreed upon would be
such that on Messrs Jones & Co.
failing to supply the wants of F.R.
the work could be at once taken
over & the manufacture placed
on its present footing, but this
could not be done without incon-
venience & possibly delay to the
deal objection however lies in
creating a monopoly & Messrs
Jones & Co. would certainly not
take over the British fields unless
the F.R. agreed to purchase
the hides & skins required from them

It is known that

The reason for their being anxious to get the brick fields is that ^{they} wish to introduce in Madras the so-called Mangalore tiles for which they expect there will be a great demand, but it is believed that the demand for bricks & tiles of European make, is not sufficient in Madras including Govt. works, to enable a large concern to profitably work.

Since the Committee sat, an application has been received from Messrs. Colclough & Co. for information if Govt. are willing to grant them the Brick fields. So there is no reason why, if they are leased, they should give other brick applicants, and it might be considered desirable under existing circumstances to advertise for tenders.

It is subintended known that it would be much better, instead of creating a monopoly, to offer in documents to capitalists to undertake the manufacture of bricks & tiles. The idea seems to be prevalent that it is useless to interfere with the Govt. monopoly, but the Govt. could well of course with draw

from the production of other works were started. The manufacturing & others come but for good bricks because they cannot find them elsewhere & we can readily dispose of all the bricks we can make & do not require for our own works. Should the High Court Buildings be commenced, our Brick fields could not turn out the bricks we should require for the High Court & ^{not only} could spare some for other works, but we should readily avoid ourselves of a supply from outside. Mangalore tiles also we should also be glad to purchase in Madras, as we have at present they 40 or 45 per 1000 for earnings from the West Coast.

Govt. is decided to reject the applications of Messrs. Jones & Co. & Messrs. Colclough & Co., it is suggested that the order should state that the Govt. are desirous to encourage local enterprise & will undertake not to supply bricks to the General Public from the Govt. Brick fields if other Brick fields are started & will restrict their operations as soon as a supply can be obtained in the market - also - in view

the public in credit conclusion
of the High Court but unless should
be invited for the supply of bricks
of the same quality as a sample
the one on the lot. Smithfields

John
9/1/88

N. No 100

To BW

The previous papers
on this subject are now
with the W.

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This letter might be
repeated, the arguments
contained in it were all
known to the Committee

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Read the following:—

Letter from Messrs. Arbutnot & Co. of 17th Decr 1887
 Letter from the Consulting Architect. No. 1234 of 21st Decr
 Letter from the Brickfield Committee. No. 4039 of 20th
 December 1887

FOR ORDERS.

The terms offered by
 Messrs. Groves & Co. are
 apparently such as can
 be accepted with advantage
 and they might be
 informed that the
 = ment are not prepared

My file is not complete - the
 papers about Boundary Surveys
 are not in it.

I think it is not
 advisable to send these papers
 to Mr. B. C. - unless you are
 anxious to dispose of the Rail file
 and depend entirely on private
 intimation to Mr. B. C. I would
 suggest that Mr. B. C. be told
 that the papers are not in the
 file.

to entertain them.

The papers might
 be communicated to
 Messrs. Arbutnot
 for information in
 case

reference to their letter
dated 17th December 1887.

FOR ORDERS.

The Hon. C. G. Mackenzie
The Hon. P. P. Hutchinson

File relating to
the
S. 400

The papers of
P. C. V. and
the within the
of the papers, including
the printed G. P. S. should
be made & attached
to the G. P. S. of the
order.

The two sample
tapes mentioned in
Mr. Groves' letter
of 16-8-87 are being
sent down in a
box by railway.
The two sample
sent to Col. V. and
please submit
the original G. P.
to the G. P. S. as
a sample.

The G. P. S. are disposed to
think that it will be advan-
tages to that all the brick
fields at Madras under certain
conditions, & considering it undesirable
that the time of G. P. S. officers
should be taken up in the prepara-
tion of materials. If such
materials can be obtained
by purchase.

The objection to sending at
the brick field considered by the
G. P. S. the most serious seems
to have been to send out
by Mr. Groves & the G. P. S. believe
that it would be possible to draw
up an agreement which would
prevent such sending.

In this case the G. P. S. section to
appoint the following officers as
a committee to report on the
subject & submit a draft
notification in accordance
with Mr. Groves.

Col. V. and P. S. E. P. S. E. P. S. E.
J. W. B. M. S. E. P. S. E. P. S. E.
Captain B. S. E. P. S. E. P. S. E.

The papers also subject will be
forwarded to Col. V. and
J. W. B. M. S. E. P. S. E. P. S. E.

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 1-9-87

List of papers sent to Col. Vibart
 with P.O. No. 2277 W of September 1887.

1. Proceedings of the Chesapeake Coast P.W. Depto.
 No. 276 of 24 January 1866.
2. Letter from the Supr. Engr. to Chief of the
 Secy. to Govt. P.W.D. No. 3741 of 5
 Nov. 1867 with 2 enclosures.
3. Proceedings in the P.W. Department No. 3524
 of 15 November 1867.
4. Do. No. 445 of 11 February 1868
5. Do. No. 605 of 22 February 1868
6. Do. No. 2647 of 19 August 1868
7. Do. No. 2245 of 11 September 1873.
8. Do. No. 474 of 22 February 1876.
9. Do. No. 2029 W of 18 August 1884.
10. Letter from the Comr. Engineer attached to Govt.
 to the Chief Engr. P.W.D. No. 608 of
 23 July 1887 with 2 enclosures
11. Do. No. 621 of 26 July 1887.
12. Letter from Mr. G. M. Brown to the Secy to
 Govt. P.W.D. of 28 July 1887.
13. Do. of 16 August 1887.
14. Letter from the Secy to Govt. P.W.D. to Mr.
 Brown No. 4682 of 22 August 1887
15. Letter from Mr. G. M. Brown to the Secy
 to Govt. P.W.D. of 25 August 1887.

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P. W. Dept
No 20774
Proceedings of the Madras Government,
Under date the 3rd September
Read the following—

Letter from Mr G. N. Groves,
Managing Proprietor, Niton Tile Works } H.E. of July 1, 1887
Letter from Carey & Co. dated to Govt. " " 28th N. 608
— do from — do — " " 25th 621
— do from Mr G. N. Groves of — " " 28th "
— do from — do — " " Aug 16th "
— do from — do — " " 25th "

The Government
are disposed to think that
it would be advantageous
to rent out the brickfields
at Madras under certain
conditions, considering it

undesirable that the time of Government officers should be taken up in the preparation of materials, if such materials can be obtained by purchase.

2. The objection to renting out the brickfield considered by the Chief Engineer to be most serious seems to have been to some extent met by Mr. Graves, and the Government believe that it would be possible to draw up an agreement which would prove satisfactory.

3. To this end the Govt resolve to appoint the following officers as a committee to report on the subject and to

submit a draft notification in communication with

Mr. Graves:-

Colonel Vibart, R.E.

Suptg Eng. V Circle, President.

J. W. Brassington Esq.

Consulting Architect.

Capt. Baddeley, R.E.

Deputy Chief Engin, P.W.D.

4. The papers on the subject will be forwarded to Colonel Vibart.

Col. Vibart - R.E., Suptg

Eng. V Circle, with original papers (thereof)

J. W. Brassington Esq.

Cons. Architect

G. W. Graves Esq.

Capt. W. L. C. Baddeley, R.E.

(in original form)

24/9/87

W. W.

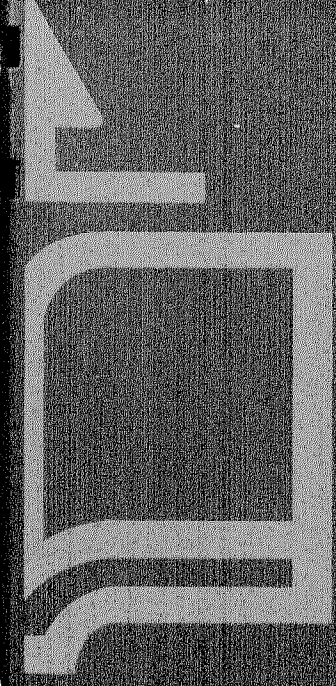
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