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No. 1029 W. of 4th April 1888

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From, The Supt Engineer
III Circle
Trichinopoly

To, The Chief Engineer
P.W. Department
Madras

No. 8342C

Dated 27th } March 1888
Despatched 28th }

Recd. 3rd April 1888

Enclosure None

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Lunatic Asylum at
Trichinopoly

Requesting the favor
with an early reply to
No. 5790C regarding
the construction of a

11 July 1888

With order

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following papers :—

From W. A. WILLOCK, Esq., Acting Collector of Trichinopoly, to the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, dated Trichinopoly, 22nd December 1887, No. 92-12.

In your office letter, No. 475, dated 29th July 1868, a sum of Rs. 2,138-10-4 was placed at the disposal of the Collector of Trichinopoly as compensation for certain private lands taken up for the construction of a lunatic asylum at Trichinopoly. This amount was paid accordingly. The above lands, together with some waste and poramboke lands, were accordingly then classified as lunatic asylum poramboke in the accounts.

2. The Temporary Deputy Collector now reports that no lunatic asylum has been constructed, and suggests that the patta lands taken up may be resold.

3. No records are forthcoming in my office as to what has become of the proposal regarding the construction of the lunatic asylum, or what orders were subsequently passed by Government in the matter. As this information is required before the suggestion of the Temporary Deputy Collector is approved of, I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to supply me with it at your earliest convenience.

No. 579 T.C.

Submitted to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, with reference to G.O., No. 2311, dated 20th July 1868.

2. The information required by the Collector cannot be ascertained from the records of this office, although a diligent search has been made. It is requested that the required information may be furnished from the Government office records if possible.

3. The Collector states that Rs. 2,138-10-4 were paid on account of land compensation. In the "accounts of appropriation and outlay for Public Works, Imperial and Local," for 1870, an outlay of Rs. 2,173 is shown to have been incurred during 1868-69.

TRICHINOPOLY,
29th December 1887.

(Signed) J. W. RUNDALL,
Superintending Engineer, VI Circle.

No. 120 C.

Referred to the Surgeon-General with the Government for favor of information as to the circumstances under which the proposal to build a new lunatic asylum at Trichinopoly has been abandoned. There seem to be no papers on the subject in the Public Works Department.

(Signed) W. L. C. BADDELEY, Captain, R.E.,
Deputy Chief Engineer, P.W.D.
10th January 1888.

From G. BIDIE, Esq., M.B., C.I.E., Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Fort St. George, 17th January 1888, No. 34.

In returning the correspondence referred to me under your endorsement No. 120 C of the 10th instant, I have the honor to state that no reference can be found in this office regarding the new lunatic asylum at Trichinopoly beyond that contained in paragraph 4 of G.O., No. 1221, of 31st August 1871, Judicial Department.

Read—also the following papers:—

G.O., dated 7th March 1888, No. 588, Judicial.

Read—Memorandum from the Public Works Department, dated 27th January 1888, No. 369 C.

Read—the following letter from the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, dated 23rd February 1888, No. 149.

In returning the papers forwarded for my opinion under Mr. Cardew's demi-official of the 11th February, I have the honor to report to His Excellency the Governor in Council that at present there is no necessity for erecting a new lunatic asylum at Trichinopoly.

2. From various causes there is a tendency in the number of insanes under control in asylums to increase, but in case of the existing accommodation at Madras for lunatics belonging to the Tamil country becoming insufficient, it will be better in every way and more economical to add additional rooms to the Madras asylum than to construct a new institution at Trichinopoly.

3. The site of the Madras asylum at Locock's Gardens affords ample space for additional buildings, and thus more rooms for the reception of the patients could be erected as required, whereas, in constructing a distinct new asylum, the expenditure would be increased by having to provide various administrative and other blocks of buildings.

4. By enlarging the existing Madras asylum there will also be a saving in the cost of supervision. At present the District Medical Officer at Trichinopoly has quite as much work as he can conveniently perform, so that the opening of a lunatic asylum in the station would probably involve the cost of an extra medical officer. But in Madras even a considerable addition to the number of inmates need not cause any increase in this direction, as the existing medical staff could still carry on all the duties of the institution. It may also be stated that it would be better for the patients to be in Madras where they could be under a selected specialist than at Trichinopoly where they could not enjoy the same advantages in this respect.

5. It has further to be pointed out that Locock's Gardens have great advantages in the matter of healthiness, whereas Trichinopoly is subject to violent outbreaks of epidemic disease.

6. I think therefore the project of having a new lunatic asylum at Trichinopoly, or anywhere else in the southern Tamil districts, may safely be allowed to rest for the present.

Order—dated 7th March 1888, No. 588, Judicial.

The letter of the Surgeon-General with Government will be communicated to the Public Works Department, with the intimation that there is no objection in the Judicial Department to the resale of the land taken up for a lunatic asylum at Trichinopoly in 1868.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

ORDER—dated 14th March 1888, No. 839 W., Public Works.

Orders will issue in the Revenue Department for the sale of the land if it is not required for any other purpose.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. R. MEAD, Colonel, R.E.,
Joint Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle.

„ Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
„ Judicial Department.
„ Revenue do.

Exd. S. J. Pereira.

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Dated March, 14th.

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G.O., 14th March 1888, No. 839 W.

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Orders regarding the resale of the land
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OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
6TH CIRCLE.

Trichinopoly 26th March 1888.
10/12/88

No. 8342C

From J. W. Randall Esq. M. I. C. E.
The Superintending Engineer,

6th Circle.

To

The Chief Engineer
P. W. D.

Sir,

ENCLOSURES.

I have the honor to request that
you will favor me with an early
reply to my No. 579. J. C. 29.12.87 regarding
the proposed construction of a Lunatic
Asylum at Trichinopoly.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most obed^t. Servant.

J. W. Randall
Superintg. Engineer
6th Circle

At

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