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Ootacamund Municipal Office,
20th July 1889

From C. H. MacCartie Esqre
Revenue Officer in Charge of
Chairman's Office
Ootacamund Municipal Council.

To
The Chief Secretary to Government
Local and Municipal
Fort St. George
through the Collector Nilgiris

Sir,

Some Demi-Official Correspondence with the Honorary Secretary Ootacamund Gymkhana on the subject of improving the Hobart Park by diverting the foot path that now bisects and disfigures the Race Course from the bazaar Road Bridge to the Murree Brewery gate ended with a report from Captain Howle that his efforts had been frustrated by the demolition of the Notice Boards and destruction of the freshly demarcated path round the margin of the water.

2 At this stage I consulted the Council, who being satisfied, that no right of way existed passed the appended Resolution XI dated 6th Ultimo recommending the removal of the Bridge by the Executive Engineer, to whom I communicated the

the Resolution in due Course, but that Officer while expressing himself most anxious to further the Councils object demurred to the removal of the gate on the ground that the Bridge had been erected only last year in lieu of an old one by order of Government.

3 The Council then by Resolution No XIX dated 20th Ultimo authorised me to address the Government under these conditions I have the honor to submit the following considerations which I trust may have force enough to warrant orders being issued for the removal of the objectionable Bridge

4 In the first place I venture to remark the Ruling of the Council that no right of way exists across the Hobart Park seems of unquestioned accuracy because the land itself has not been reclaimed long enough to establish any such public right, Secondly half measures like the late Executive Engineer's Suggestion to erect a gate to the Bridge are clearly inadequate because persons bold enough to destroy Notice Boards at night, and

and to efface the diverted path, will not hesitate to smash the gate or if very peaceably disposed, to jump over it as under no circumstances will the construction of the Bridge permit of the gate being more than 2' 6" high. Perhaps however the strongest argument for removing the Bridge is that its continuance in situ must in time establish a legal claim to the now gradually accruing right of way.

5. The existing path across the Park is no doubt the shortest way to the Brewery from the bazaar but I can see no valid reason why the Hobart Park should be cut up by a maze of foot paths to the serious detriment of public amusements merely in order that the Brewery Employés may be saved a few minutes in going to and from their work.

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I have the honor to be
Sir,
your most obedient Servant
C H MacCartie
Chairman OMC

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Proceedings of a Meeting of the Ootacamund Municipal Council held on Thursday the 6th June 1889

Present

C. H. MacCartie Esqre.
Sithu Bin Meerajee Sait Khan Bahadur
M.R.Ry Maruthachella Mood^r. avergal Rao Sahib
J. Browne Esqre.
Aboo Mahomed Sait Khan Bahadur
A. Drew Esqre.

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XI. Read letter from Captain J Howle dated 23d May 1889 requesting to know whether the Municipality will help him to prevent the notice boards being damaged and the notice on them being observed and the Divisional Councillor's report thereon.

The Council consider that as there is no right of way across the Hobart Park the wooden Bridge going across thereto should be removed and the Executive Engineer will be addressed accordingly

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(True Copy)

C H MacCartie
Chairman OMC

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Proceeding of a Meeting of the Ootacamund Municipal Council held on Thursday the 20th June 1889

Present.

J. Browne Esqre.
W. Parkinson Esqre.
A. Drew Esqre.
G. Barclay Esqre.
D. Eduljee Esqre.
M.R.Ry. Maruthachella Mood. avergal Rao Sahib
Abdo Mahomed Sait Khan Bahadoor

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XIX. Read letter from the Executive Engineer dated 15th June 1889 stating that a gate may be erected on the way leading to Hobart Park near the Bridge if the Ooty Municipality or the Gymkhana will pay for it.

The Collector will be requested to address Government on the subject.

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(True Copy)

Chairman O.M.C.

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Transferred to the Public Works Department

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W. S. Hodgson
Asst Secretary

Fort St George
9th August 1889

To the Public works departt.

Regd. 6578

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CURRENT No. 1641 M.

FROM C. F. MacCartie Esq.
Revenue officer in charge of
~~THE PRESIDENT~~, Chairman's office
MUNICIPAL ~~COMMISSION~~,
OOTACAMUND.

TO

THE CHIEF SECRETARY
To GOVERNMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE,
through the Collector Nilgiris

No. 1/26

Dated 20th
Despatched } July 1889.
Received 24 JUL. 89

ENCLOSURE Two

SUBJECT.

Re-diversion of foot path across Hobart Park and Removal of Bridge

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P.W. Department.

Ootacamund 16th August 1889

No. 10

Memo

The Executive Engineer, Nilgiris, is requested to submit, for reference, the report and survey plan of the Hobart Park, mentioned in para 2 of his letter recorded with G.O. 2994 W dated 24th September 1888, and to state the date of erection of the old bridge replaced under the sanction given in that G.O.

(Signed) A. R. E. Drake Brockman
Lt Col R.E.
Ag Chief Engr re. P.W.D.

To
The Executive Engineer }
Nilgiris }

Despd 16/8/89

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Report to accompany Estimate for the Improvements to Hobart Park Ootacamund.

This Estimate has been framed by Order of H. E. The Governor in Council. Its objects are to improve the appearance and utility for recreative purposes, of Hobart Park; to fill up a portion of the Lake above the ex Willow Bund; and to construct a much needed road from Willow Bund to the Murree Brewery.

Provision is made for the following works:—

(1) Constructing a metalled road 15 feet wide, from Willow Bund to Brewery.

(2) Constructing 3 tennis courts and Badminton Courts on the A.B.C. ground in lieu of those removed.

(3) Raising swampy ground between A.B.C. and Lake.

(4) Dibbling with grass all new earth work.

(5) Constructing a Bridge over Lake stream

(6) Filling in North end of Lake.

(7) Compensation for land required for

for filling Lake.

The positions of all these works is clearly shewn in the annexed Survey plan, and the work, except Items 6 and 7, has been commenced in anticipations of sanctions by order of the Chief Engineer.

Executive Engineer N. D.
8-9-88.

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10 SEP. 88
P.W.D.
FOURTH CIRCLE

SUPG: ENGINEER'S OFFICE
NO. 9471
6- OCT. 88
P.W.D.
FOURTH CIRCLE

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315 No. 1797/ Nilgiri Division Office
Ootacamund 23rd August 1889.

From

Colonel Ross Thompson R.E.
Exe: Engineer Nilgiri Division

To

The Chief Engineer
P. W. Department.

Encls:- 2.
1 Tracing Survey plan
1 Report
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Sir,

With reference to your Memo No. 702/D dated 16th Inst. I have the honor to forward herewith, the report and office copy of the Survey plan of the Hobart Park, mentioned in para 2 of this office letter No. 2,258 dated 8th September 1888 embodied in G.O. No. 2,994 W dated 24th Sept. 1888 as requested, and to inform you that the date of replacing the old bridge by a new wooden platform

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platform one, near the site of the old bridge is the 18th July 1888.

2 The original Survey plan which accompanied this office letter No. 2258 dated 8th Septr/88 has been resubmitted with my revised estimate for the Impt of Hobart Park.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most obdt. Servt.
Ross Thompson
Col. R.E.

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Exe: Engineer Nilgiri Dn.

GOVERNMENT
23.8.89
P.W. DEPARTMENT, MADRAS

From,

The Executive Engineer
Nilgiri Dn

N. 751 D of 24th Augt 1889

To,

The Chief Engineer
P. W. Department

No. 1797 of 23/8/89

Recd 23.8.89

Subject

Hobart Park Ooty – Forwarding the Report and Survey plan of the —
Informing the date of replacing the old bridge to under reference to be 18th July 1888.

we want to know
how long the original
bridge [illegible]

with memo

Recd
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D/ 751 D of 24th August 1889

Memo

The Executive Engineer is requested to report how long the old bridge was in existence before it was replaced by the new bridge. This was the information sought to be elicited by Memo: 702 D of 16 Aug. / 89.

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E. E. Nilgiris
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Ootacamund Municipal Office
4th September 1889.

From,
C. F. Mac Carthie Esqre C. S.
Chairman, Ootacamund Municipal Council,

To,
Colonel Ross Thompson R.E.
Executive Engineer Ootacamund.

Sir,

In reply to your No. 1866 dated 28th Augt. 1889, I have the honor to inform you that the bridge existing before the present one across the Lake Supply channel was Constructed by the Municipality in July 1888, this bridge replaced a very old rough timber bridge.

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I have etc

(Sd) C. F. Mac Carthie
Chairman, O. M. C.

(True Copy).

for Col: RE
Executive Engineer
Nilgiris

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—Please quote the number
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Nilgiri Division Office,
Station *Ootacamund*

From *Colonel Ross Thompson R.E.*
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
NILGIRI DIVISION,

To *The Chief Engineer*
Public Works Department

No. *2001*

Dated *9th*
Despatched } *September* 1889.
Received

ENCLOSURES. *1.*

Reference.

Sir,

With reference to your Memorandum No. 754 D of 24th Ultimo, I have the honor to enclose a copy of letter No. 867 dated 4th Instant from the Chairman Ootacamund Municipal Council, and to trust that

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that the information therein contained is what you require.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obedt. Servant,

for Col: Ch.
Executive Engineer
Nilgiri Dn.

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N.B.—*Please quote the number and date of this letter in future communication on this subject.*

No. 754 D of 24.8.89
" 702 D " 16.8.89
" 4494 W " 24.9.88.

Nilgiri Division Office,
Station....Ootacamund

P.W. C.

From
Col: Ross Thompson R.E.
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
NILGIRI DIVISION,

P.W.C. No. 8524

To
The Chief Engineer
P.W. Dept

No. 2001

Dated 9th }
Despatched 4th } Septr 1889
Received 4th }

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ENCLOSURES. 1

Reference.

No. 3150 W of 5-XI-89

Subject.

Enclosing a copy of letter No. 867/4/9/89 from the Chairman Ooty Municipal Council containing the information asked for, regarding the date of construction of the old bridge across the Lake supply Channel.

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Circ. to Hon. Mr. G 25.IX

Papers required to be sent for return to H.E. the G... [illegible]

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, P.W. DEPARTMENT, MADRAS
25 SEP. 89

My dear Drake Brockman

Please send me back the papers about the Hobart Park at Ooty. I think I made a mistake as to the time when Lord H. was Govt. here.

Yrs sincerely

Nilgiri Division Office,

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The Hobart Park

I rather think my Hon: Colleague Mr Stokes is mistaken in thinking that there was a right of way across the Hobart Park as far back as 1870. In the first place there was no Brewery till about 1879 or even later – or there could have been no right of way to it across the Park – which moreover was not ~~till~~ the Hobart Park till 18~~70~~72 or 18~~7~~73. I think that it is only right to see that a place of public recreation & amusement like the Park is not ~~[illegible]~~ ~~right of way~~ cut up by foot-paths made across it in any direction that any one chooses to make one – & otherwise rendered unsightly. & I cannot see it is ~~[illegible]~~ so hardship on the Brewery employés that they should be compelled to go round by the high road to the bazaar. The Park was not made to afford them a short cut to the Bazaar – & before it was made there was no such short cut. These employés

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I did not say there was a right of way. I said there had been access to the park from the bazaar for nearly the Statutory period.

I said nothing about the Brewery or a right of way to it, or the convenience of its employés.

I never said it was. The way across the Park is a short cut for all people going from the bazaar to the south side of Ooty & has always been so.

have, legally, perhaps, as much right as anyone else to go on to the ground to play hockey on horseback or on foot — or football or any other game — provided they do not damage the ground or disfigure it. — & it is constantly so used by lots of little bazaar boys. In my opinion, however, the footpath across the Park both damages it & disfigures it — & should be closed & if the removal of the bridge is necessary to close it, I should not object to it, & should go further for I should advise the Municipality to put a proper gate to the entrance near the Brewery & to arrange to have a Police Constable there every evening, when the Brewery employés leave the Brewery, to prevent their turning the entrance into an arena for single combats between men & women or general scrimmages such as those now take place. I consider the taking of the

It is this use of the Park by the native inhabitants of Ooty that I wish to preserve, and against it the present proposal is in fact directed, & ostensibly only in to prevent damage or disfigurement of the ground. I do not think that there is any such damage or disfigurement as justifies such transparently dodging measure as the removal of the bridge. But with the bridge access from the bazaar to the Park would be entirely cut off by the new channel.

These papers do not raise the question as to the damage done by the brewery drain, which must soon be considered. I will deal only with the removal of the bridge as proposed by the Municipality. I have long thought that the pathway was practically only for the brewery workmen — and the question then is — can we justify in refusing compliance to what the Municipality propose for the sake of the convenience of one small class of labourers? —

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The whole of the Hobart Park is wanted for the recreation of the Community generally — and the only danger [illegible] the greater number of people engaging in it a greater number of pastimes practised upon it — I think the pathway detracts greatly from its use and in this respect enjoyment of the public — I should therefore order the removal of the bridge.

I cannot agree. The papers should go to H.E. the Govr. on his return, & the bridge retained till then.
[illegible]
20 Oct.

portion of the Park a disgrace — There is no attempt to make the Brewery people discharge their drainage in a proper manner & none to carry it off. It is allowed to run round the [illegible] ground in a foul stinking ditch which I deem very bad to the cause of ill-health. The Sanitary Commr. should be ordered to examine into this portion of the question & to take what steps are necessary, & with the utmost expedition, to carry off the Brewery drainage into the Lake with the least offence to sight & smell. I consider that the bridge over the Lake drain should be removed. J.H.G.

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The Hon. Mr. H. G. Stokes
C.S.I.

His Excellency the Governor

No. 3150 W. d/5-XI-89
Pass orders
accordingly -
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for orders whether the file may be sent back to the Hon. Mr Stokes, with reference to the Hon. Mr Garstin's remarks.

With reference to the latter part of the Hon. Mr Garstin's note, relative to the most effective method of carrying the Brewery drainage into the lake, it may be pointed out that the Govt. within the last few years, has spent a very large sum of money to cut off the bazaar drainage from the lake, & to otherwise preserve it from contamination, & it seems anomalous that steps should now be taken to lead into the lake, such foul drainage as must emanate from the Brewery

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A proposal has been made to lead this drainage by a pipe into the Town drainage — I think there is most in the Comment dealing with the pumping station at the Lake asked for the Brewery.

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Mr Stokes must see Mr Garstin's remarks -

Forwarded to the Hon: Mr Garstin with reference to his note of 23.9.89

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Seen. Am
very glad that
the attention
of the Dept has
been drawn to
the Brewery
drainage.

Papers about Holland Park submitted.

In returning the papers to the Hon. Mr Garstin, his attention might perhaps be drawn to No 819 D of 5.9.89 & the notes attached to Po. No 2472 W of 6.9.89 which shows that action has already been taken with respect to the disposal of the Brewery drainage

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Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the

Read the following

Letter from the Chairman, Ootd Municipal Council } H.E. No. 728 of July 21, 1889.

Endt. thereon by the Collr. of the Nilgiris } .. .. 56 of .. 22nd -

-do- by the L & M dept. .. .. 633 of Augt. 9th -

Letter from the E.E. Nilgiris .. .. 1797 of .. 23rd ..

do from —— do —— .. .. 2001 of Sept 9th -

There has been a bridge across the channel for many years. That built in 1888, replaced one built in 1885 which replaced a pre-existing one. The reclamation of the land was going on & almost completed in 1870 when I first went to Ooty and the way across Hobart park must be as old as the reclamation & therefore all but as old as is necessary to mature into a statutory right. But apart from this, the proposal seems to be equivalent to one for keeping natives off the Park & reserving it for European games. The natives want this

As it would appear that there is no public right of way across the Hobart Park from

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the Bazaar road bridge to the Murree Brewery Gate, and that the present foot path is inconvenient & objectionable, the bridge leading to ~~the path~~ it will be removed, and access to the path thus closed.

The work will be undertaken by the Executive Engineer (To, The Chief Secretary for countersignature)

12.9.89

17 Sep

19.9.89

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H.M. 19-9-89 R. 24-9-89

~~The Hon. Mr. Stokes C.S.I.~~

The Hon. Mr. J. H. Garstin C.S.

a good deal, & I don't consider the municipal com.n entitled to act as their representatives. Further I don't see what harm the foot path does. It does not interfere with the cricket pitch & surely it can't hurt the polo. I don't think a case is made out for the removal of the bridge so recently constructed.

HLS
20th.

Circ.

No. 3150 W d/ 5-XI-89

S.E. IV Circle.

Local & Mun.l dept.