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Political **DEPARTMENT.**

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No. 59. Read the following letter from CLEMENT DALE, Esq., Receiver of the Carnatic Property, to THOMAS PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, dated 8th October 1860, No. 184.

Paragraph 1. You having informed me (not officially), that Government were desirous of purchasing portions of the property at Trichinopoly, belonging to the Estate of His late Highness the Nabob, I do myself the honor of stating for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, that I have at length succeeded in obtaining the services of a Surveyor, and he is at present engaged in measuring, &c., the lands at Trichinopoly and its neighbourhood. If Government still wish to purchase the portions of the property referred to, I would forthwith give the necessary instructions for such portions being valued; I therefore do myself the honor of soliciting, that I may be informed whether such is still the wish of Government, and if so, whether they will depute anybody to meet my Surveyor, with the view of agreeing upon a price to be given for the property.

2. From information which I had obtained, I was fearful that a considerable portion of the buildings would be unsaleable for any other purpose than for the materials; I am, however, happy to say, my Surveyor is of opinion that, at a comparatively small cost, the greater portion of the buildings forming the Palace admit of being turned into suitable offices, or warehouses, and to a considerable extent into dwelling houses; as also that the gardens attached to the Palace, can be turned to similar account, and in support of his opinion mentions the part at present occupied by Government as offices for the Revenue Survey, as having been converted into very convenient and commodious offices. He also reports the buildings to be in a much better state of repair than is generally rumored.

3. I enclose for your guidance copies of some papers which I received from you.

4. I understand the Government wished to purchase:

1st.—The Dar-ul-Umara or Palace with the tank.

2nd.—The Husan Bag with four tanks, and

3rd.—In the Division of Nasir-ul-Mulk, one Bungalow.

I do not understand that Government wish to purchase the 15 tiled shops "in the division of Nasir-ul-Mulk;" and I collect that they do not concur in Mr. Bird's suggestion to purchase the Kaka Tope.

5. I have the honor to request a reply at as early a date as may be quite convenient, as I am desirous of having the property lotted out while my Surveyor is on the spot, should Government determine in not purchasing these portions by private contract.

No. 60. ORDER THEREON, 20th October 1860, No. 623.

Resolved, that the Receiver of the Carnatic Property, be informed that Government are not now desirous of taking under private arrangement any portions of the Sircar property at Trichinopoly. Mr. Dale may proceed to dispose of them by Public Auction as in other cases.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

My Dear Syeroff

Herewith the List of Houses at Trichinopoly. I believe it contains all the Buildings in and near to Trichinopoly and that ~~substantially~~ correct, as to description & locality so far as it goes - but I have not material to herefrom I can make out a further description - I am sorry it has been delayed but it has had to be gleaned from Lists not over clear.

Believe me

Very faithfully Yours

/Signed/ G. Dale

Sent House March 29th 1860

Thomas Syeroff Esquire

Trichinopoly April 17th 1860

My Dear Mr Charles

I have gone through the whole List since my return here, and know now where every portion of the property entered is located. There is nothing that the Government can require save the Palace and adjoining gardens and the house and grounds, I am assuming. I have marked the items in pencil thus, namely,

1. The Diwan Amara
2. Hassan Baig
3. Bungalow of Kasir-ul-Mulla.

These three items comprise the old Palace and gardens required for a Civil Hospital and Public Garden.

Bungalow of Lakai Lope should be

purchased as follows within the site of the
proposed to be constructed at Trichinopoly

By tomorrow's Mail Post I send to you
a bundle of papers kindly send them
and find nothing more to say. Taylor & Co.

get the bundle sent to you as soon as possible
in good order
Believe me

My Dear Mr. Charles
Yours sincerely
Henry J. Birch

To
Mr. Charles Trevelyan
H. J. B.

Dear Pycroft

When Mr. Birch answers

You will see that we are
two for the Hospital and Public Garden
the Defensible Fort in Contaminants.

It should be declared
over the gate most most for it

Sincerely Yours
Henry J. Birch

Yours truly
20th April 1860.

My Dear Dal

Yours truly

These are only three lots at Trichinopoly which the
Governor requires. These the Governor would be
prepared to take of you by private arrangement.
Be so good as to let us know what prices you would
put upon them.

The remaining properties would be
your application made freehold, and you could
then dispose of them as you found most advantage

Yours Very Truly
Henry J. Birch

26th

remarks by the Members of Govt on the letter
of the Receiver General Property of 18th Decr 1860. 1861.

The Hon. Mr. Lawrence I would not purchase any of the property -
we have no money, and we do not require
the property in question.

The Bungalow referred to as falling within
in the site of the new Fort proposed to be
constructed at Trichinopoly can be pur-
chased when the erection of the Fort has
commenced. It can always for such an
object be taken under the Act. so that by
purchasing it now we should really in
no way benefit ourselves - besides the Ac-
countant General has ruled that all pur-
chases of this nature must be paid for, for
the future, out of the Budget funds and
not dealt with as was done in the case
of the purchase of the Chepauk Palace
Sof W.M.

H. C. the Govt in - } I consider it absolutely necessary if all
Chief } that has passed on the subject is not to
be

Order thereon 20 October 1860. No 123.

not aside as worthless, that the ground
which the Fortified Post is to be built
to be secured by Govt. and I agree with
Maltby that the present is the most
valuable opportunity for effecting this object
Sd/ Dy.

If the Lake tope is, as I believe,
intended site of the entrenched camp,
Govt. ought to take this oppor-
tunity of purchasing it. Sd/ Dy.

The Hon. Mr. Maltby

Resolved that the Receiver of the
Lanative Property is informed that
we are now desirous of taking
under private arrangement any
portions of the Sican property
at Tichinopoly - Mr. Dal may
proceed to dispose of them by
public auction as in other
cases.

Receiver of Lanative Property 20/10/60 JPS

[illegible]

I should not purchase any of the
property - we have no money, &
we do not require the property
in question -
The Corporation intend to set
the line, either the side of the
New York proposed, & to construct
it immediately - we do purchase
when the creation of the port has
been purchased - & then always
for such an object to be taken under
the act - is hereby authorized