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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,

22nd November 1865.

No. 92. Read the following letter from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Trevandrum, 7th November 1865, No. 89.

Having been requested by the Collector of Malabar to arrange for the revocation of the lease of part of Candle Island, with the view of its being taken up for a new Leper Hospital, I have the honor to state, for the information of Government,

* No. ⁶¹⁸₁₈₆₅, dated 2nd instant.

that arrangements have been made accordingly, but deem it proper to submit the accompanying copy of a letter* from the Dewan of Cochin on the subject, in case that the Government may think fit to pursue further inquiry as to the suitability of so low and swampy a locality, as this is described to be, for the purpose intended.

From the Dewan of Cochin, to the British Resident in Travancore and Cochin; dated Ernacollum, 2nd November 1865, No. ⁶¹⁸₁₈₆₅.

With reference to your letter, No. 1300, of the 12th August last, I have the honor to state that the construction of a Leper Hospital on the Candle Island appears to me to be objectionable.

2. The Island in question is small in size, low in situation, and swampy in wet weather, measuring only about 656 yards in length and 432 yards in breadth. There are but two spots in the Island which are always above water. One of them measures only 100 yards in length by 96 yards in breadth, and the other measures about 272 yards from north to south and 100 yards from east to west. The other parts are low paddy lands. I am therefore of opinion that the place is not at all adapted for a Hospital of any description.

3. Another great objection to the erection of a Leper Hospital on the Candle Island is its proximity to the Residency at Bolghotty. The Island is not more than half a mile from the Residency, and it is to the westward of it, the direction from which the sea breeze blows. It is clear, therefore, that the building of such a Hospital between the sea and the Residency is any thing but advisable, and in this opinion I feel convinced you will coincide.

No. 93. ORDER THEREON, 22nd November 1865, No. 1203.

Under the circumstances represented by the Dewan, the Governor in Council is of opinion that the project of building a Lazaretto on Candle Island should be abandoned, and that the new building should be erected near the site of the present one at Palliport, if a suitable site is available. The Collector will report on this point as soon as possible.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Collector of Malabar.

„ Public Works Department.

„ Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

„ Principal Inspector General, Medical Department.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

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(Here enters, 7th Novr/65 No. 29)

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W. H. D.

to

The Collector of Malabar

" Public Works Dept.

" Resident in Travancore
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" Prin. Insp. General

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