

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	<i>225</i>	Press ~~Mis.~~
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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
5th March 1866.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 13. From the Coroner of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 16th January 1866.

I have the honor to report that at an Inquest held before me at Coonatha Ummen Covil Tanah at Choolay, within the limits of Madras, on the 15th instant, touching the death of Pounsee Unmall, the Jury, after returning as their verdict "Accidental death by drowning in a well," made the following observation :—"The Jury beg the Coroner to bring to the notice of Government the unsafe state of many of the wells in Madras. They consider that, height of parapet is quite insufficient, although that even is not in many instances attended to. They are of opinion that gratings of some kind should be considered as part of the means of rendering wells safe."

Referred to the Municipal Commissioners for their remarks.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
20th February 1866.

(Signed) C. G. WALKER,
Under Secretary.

No. 14. From the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 2nd March 1866.

In returning the Coroner's letter to your address, dated 16th January last, suggesting that the wells in Madras be secured by gratings of some sort, referred for our remarks on 20th ultimo, we have the honor to observe that a similar representation was made by the same Officer on 17th April 1863, in passing Orders upon which Government remarked at paragraph 5 : "the Coroner's proposal that the owners of wells should be compelled by law to place gratings over them is one which the Governor in Council cannot entertain."

3rd June 1863, No. 858.

2. We shall, however, give the subject our best consideration, and shortly submit a proposition to Government when we revise our Bye Laws under Act IX of 1865.

No. 15. ORDER THEREON, 5th March 1866, No. 225.

Ordered that the foregoing letter from the Municipal Commissioners be communicated to the Coroner of Madras.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Coroner of Madras.

„ Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Madras.

Exd. R. H. Lee

Read the following letters.
From the Coroner of Madras - Received 16th Jan^y 1866
"Municipal Commissioners - " 2nd March "

Order thereon 5 March 1866 N^o 225.

Ordered that the
preparing letter from the Municipal
Commissioners be communi-
cated to the Coroner of Madras.

To the Coroner of Madras } despd 7/3
" Municipal Com^{rs} }