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20th August 1867.

No. 150. Read the following letter from the President of the Municipal Commission, Salem, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Salem, 28th July 1867, No. 46.

I have the honor to submit the bye-laws of the Salem Municipality for the sanction of Government.

2. The bye-laws forwarded with my letter, No. 34, dated 20th May 1867, not having received the sanction of Government, I have embodied them again with the present batch.

Bye-laws of Salem Municipality.

1. Every slaughter-house shall be open to the inspection of the Municipal Commissioners, or persons appointed and authorized by them, at all hours.

2. In the event of the Municipal Commissioners, or persons appointed by them, finding any animal brought for slaughtering sick or otherwise unfit for consumption, they shall direct the same to be so disposed of as to prevent its being slaughtered and sold to the public.

3. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners to withdraw their licenses from any parties at their discretion.

4. No one shall fly a kite, or engage in any other game in such a manner as to annoy or to be likely to endanger the safety of passengers, on the public roads.

5. Every well within municipal limits shall be fenced by a wall three feet high from the surface of the ground.

6. No grain shall be spread or heaped up in any public thoroughfare.

7. Every owner of a house shall be bound to keep the pandal attached to such house in repair to the satisfaction of the Municipal Commissioners.

8. No cattle, horse, or donkey shall be allowed in any public place unattended.

9. No person shall picket cattle of any kind in any street.

10. Every bullock or bullocks or other animals attached to a cart shall have a driver in immediate attendance.

11. The practice of driving bullocks and buffaloes along the streets and roads fastened together by a yoke, or not connected with a wheeled vehicle, or attached to sledges, heaps of thorns, or logs of wood, is forbidden.

12. The external walls of all houses or buildings adjacent to the public way shall be lime-washed by the owner or occupier at least once a year, unless expressly exempted in writing by the Salem Municipal Commissioners at a Meeting at which the President or Vice-President shall be present.

13. If the lime-washing shall not be performed as specified above by the owner or occupier of the building, it shall be done by the Municipal Commissioners, and the expense incurred thereby shall be recovered in the same way as arrears of rates on houses, &c., under Section 74 of Act X of 1865.

14. The first lime-washing shall take place within a month after the notification of this bye-law in the *District Gazette*.

15. No person shall bury, or cause to be buried, any corpse in any burial ground in such a manner that the corpse shall be at a less depth than five feet from the surface of the ground.

16. No person shall dig, nor cause to be dug, a grave in any such burial ground at a less distance than two feet from any existing grave.

17. No person when burning, or causing to be burnt, any corpse, in any burning ground within the said town, shall permit the same, or any part thereof, to remain without being completely reduced to ashes, or to be removed until the same be so reduced.

18. Parties are strictly prohibited from beating tom-toms and playing musical instruments, such as taris, &c., in the public thoroughfares from 10 P. M. to 4 A. M., without a written permission from the Municipal Commissioners, which permission must be shown on application by any Government servant.

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19. No person shall make use of the verandah of his house or of any place not especially intended for such purpose, in front of his house, or by the side of any street, as a stable or stall for keeping horses, ponies, bulls, cows, buffaloes, or any other animals.

20. Markets for the sale of meat, fish, or vegetables, shall be lime-washed within and without once at least in every six months.

21. Every person within whose premises any animal may die shall, within six hours after its death, either remove the carcass at his own expense, without cutting it up or opening it, to such place as may be set apart by the Commissioners for the reception of such carcasses, or report its death to the Conservancy Overseer of the division within which such premises may be situated, and, in such latter case, shall pay to the Overseer the expense of removing the carcass, at such rate as the Commissioners may, from time to time, determine.

22. No one shall commit any nuisance in the bed of any river, water-course, tank, &c., within the municipal limits.

23. No cart or other vehicle without springs shall be used on any portion of the road, except on the sides thereof.

24. All carriages and carts shall keep on the left hand side when meeting other conveyances, and on the right hand side when passing other conveyances going in the same direction.

25. Breaches of the above bye-laws shall be punishable as provided in Section 143 of Act X of 1865.

(Signed) C. N. POCHIN,
President.

No. 151. ORDER THEREON, 20th August 1867, No. 1022.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 145 of the Towns' Improvement Act, the Governor in Council approves and sanctions the bye-laws submitted with the foregoing letter, with the exception of proposed bye-law No. 23, and directs that, with this exception, they be published for a period of one month in the *Salem District Gazette*.

2. Regulations similar to that proposed in the 23rd draft bye-law have been sanctioned in the case of several Municipalities; but the Government, on reconsideration, are of opinion that it is not desirable to prohibit carts and other vehicles without springs from using the metalled portion of roads within municipal limits, and to compel them to keep to the sides of such roads. Vehicles without springs are, or may be, compelled to pay for the use of the roads, either by payment of tolls or by registration; and while it is reasonable to sanction rules for preventing such vehicles from obstructing or monopolizing thoroughfares, any arbitrary restriction, such as is entailed by the bye-law now under consideration, is objectionable.

3. The Presidents of the several Municipalities in which bye-laws prohibiting carts and vehicles without springs from using any portion of roads except the sides thereof, or from using the central or metalled part of any road, may have been passed, are instructed that, under Section 145 of the Towns' Improvement Act, such bye-laws are hereby cancelled, by order of the Governor in Council, and will publish Notifications to that effect in the Gazettes of the Districts in which the Municipalities may be situated.

(True Extract).

R. S. ELLIS,
Acting Chief Secretary.

To the President, Salem Municipal Commission.

„ President of the Municipal Commission

Exd. J. H. Burns.

Read the following letter from the President of the Salem Municipal Commission, dated 28th July 1867.

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In accordance with the provisions of Section 145 of the Towns' Improvement Act the Governor in Council approves and sanctions the Bye-laws submitted with the foregoing letter, with the exception of proposed Bye-law No. 23, and directs that with this exception they be published for a period of one month in the Salem District Gazette.

2. Regulations similar to that proposed in the 23rd draft Bye-law have been sanctioned in the case of several Municipalities, but the Government, on reconsideration, are of opinion that it is not desirable to prohibit carts and other vehicles without springs from using the metalled portion of roads within municipal limits, and to compel them to keep the sides of such roads. Vehicles without springs are, or may be, compelled to pay for the use

of the roads, either by payment of tolls or by registration, and while it is reasonable to sanction rules for preventing such vehicles from obstructing or monopolizing thorough-fairs, any arbitrary restriction such as is entailed by the Bye Law now under consideration is objectionable.

3. The Presidents of the several Municipalities in which Bye Laws prohibiting carts and vehicles without springs from using any portion of roads except the sides thereof, or from using the central or metalled part of any road, no law has been passed, are instructed that under Section 145 of the Towns' Improvement Act such Bye Laws are hereby cancelled by order of the Governor in Council, and will nullify Notifications which affect in the District Gazette of the District in which the Municipalities are situated.

To the President, Salem Mun. Commis.
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