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[Despatch Abstract.]

For to the for a copy
of a report from the Supt Archaeological
Survey regarding the correspondence which
has taken place between himself & Dr Burgess
on the subject of the Masas Archaeological
Reports entrusted to the latter for publication,
stating that in the event of the Masas
volumes being taken out of his hands
arrangements can be made to publish
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CHIEF SECRETARY
13 JUL 1899
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

From
The Govt of India
Order dated No. 1742 of 5 July 1899.
H. A. Dept.

Referred to the
Supt. Archaeological Survey
for perusal of report.
M. K. S. P.
under Secy

No. 2089-9-4

Dated 22 June '99

Received 28 " "

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SUBJECT.

Forwarding for information
copy of Dispatch from the Secy of
State for India regarding the delay
in the publication of Archaeological
Reports entrusted to Dr. Burgess &
enquiring whether Dr. Burgess has
been in correspondence with the Supt.
of Archaeological Survey with reference
to the photographs required & asking
whether in the event of the Madras
Volumes being taken out of Dr. Burgess's
hands arrangements could be made to
publish them locally.

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5th July 1899

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✓	9534	Pub.	23.7.98
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G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

India Office,
London, 18th May 1899.

Public (Records),
No. 16.

To His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor
General of India in Council.

MY LORD,

I enclose a copy of a correspondence* which has taken place with
Delay in the publication of archaeological reports entrusted to Dr. Burgess. Dr. Burgess, in consequence of
your Excellency's letter, Revenue
and Agriculture, No. 20, dated the 2nd March 1899.

2. It will be seen that one volume is now in the press, and several

others are reported to be in a very
advanced stage. To put a stop to
the work would presumably mean
the loss of the letterpress which

Dr. Burgess has prepared in his capacity as editor, and I have judged
it advisable, therefore, to defer any final action until your Excellency
shall have had an opportunity of considering Dr. Burgess's statement.
In the meantime he has been asked to return without delay the Bundel-
khand drawings referred to in your letter under reply. As explained in
the correspondence, the other materials asked for have either been
returned already, or have never been forwarded to Dr. Burgess.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient humble Servant,

(Signed) GEORGE HAMILTON.

ENCLOSURES.

No. 1.

R. and L. 601.

Sir,

India Office,
12th April 1899.

It will be in your recollection that in 1890, after your retirement from the Directorship of the Archæological Survey, arrangements were made that you should edit and publish a large amount of material which had for some years accumulated in India, sufficient, it was estimated, to fill 12 volumes, to be completed in about three or four years. Since that date a period of over eight years has elapsed, and during that lengthened interval, in spite of repeated reminders from this Office, no more than one volume has been finished.

In these circumstances the Secretary of State for India in Council, regrets that the necessity is forced upon him of terminating an agreement which apparently it is not in your power to carry out, and I am to request that you will return to this Office the materials relating to

- (1.) "Pathan Architecture of Budaun." the four subjects mentioned in the margin,* together with any other papers which have at various times been transmitted to you in pursuance of the arrangements made in 1890.
- (2.) "The Great Chaturbhuj Temple of Orchha."
- (3.) "The Chandella Architecture of Bundelkhand."
- (4.) "Brick Architecture of the Middle Ages in Upper India."

Particulars of the above are annexed.

This decision is not intended to affect the volume which you have in hand, and which it is understood is approaching completion.

James Burgess, Esq., C.I.E., LL.D.,
22, Seton Place, Edinburgh.

I am, &c.,
A. GODLEY.

No. 2.

Sir,

Edinburgh,
13th April 1899.

I have just received yours of 12th April, and make haste to reply.

It appears that there is some mistake or want of information on the part of the Secretary of State as to the main facts referred to; viz.,—

(1.) "The Pathan Architecture of Budaon." The drawings made were handed to me, with a very brief MS. note, by Mr. E. W. Smith, and Dr. Führer promised to supply me with full notes taken by him on the spot. I pointed out also to Mr. Smith that the drawings were not sufficiently complete to form material for a fairly complete report, and should be supplemented by others and by a few photographs, as well as fuller notes. These never came to hand, and, in communication with Mr. Smith, I sent him back the whole, recommending him to arrange with the Government of the North-Western Provinces to visit Budaon at an early date, get the material completed, and get the report printed in India, offering to revise his proofs as I generally do.

(2.) "The Great Temple at Orchha." The drawings from Orchha were sent me, not to write a report upon, but to superintend the

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publication of them in the "Journal of Indian Art and Industry," with notes on the same by Mr. E. W. Smith. This was about seven years ago; and the drawings were thereafter, to the best of my recollection, returned direct to Mr. Smith.

(3.) "The Chandella Architecture of Bundelkhand." The drawings, with some very rough notes by Mr. Smith, are the only drawings referred to that are with me. The places are so scattered, that a report on them would be one of odds and ends; and to put it together so as to be of any real value would require a pretty full set of photographs, of which there are none. I have only visited some of the places myself, and Mr. Smith having had no experience (when he wrote the notes) of Hindu Architecture,—even had he ventured on any estimates of the age, &c. of the remains—his opinion would have been of no value. I therefore put the whole aside until I could get other and much more important work completed, when I might either get more material or return to Mr. Smith to complete when he can find opportunity to do so.

(4.) "Brick Architecture of the Middle Ages in Upper India." I remember discussing the subject either with Dr. Führer or the late Mr. Growse,—possibly with both,—and pointing out that materials might readily be collected in Upper India for our interesting Report on the History of Indian Brick Architecture. But no materials were ever put into my hands for any such work.

As to the work for which I am responsible, a large volume ought to have been ready ere this. The London atmosphere in winter especially interferes often very inopportunely and seriously with Mr. Griggs' photographic work, and sometimes a press of work that pays him better delays my plates. Then about three months were lost enquiring for negatives supposed to have been sent from Poona to Calcutta: some of these I have got replaced direct from Mr. Cousens by fresh negatives, which may be at the India Office this week. This lost three months.

I have previously reported that, besides the large volume now going on, I have two or three others ready to be put in hand as soon as the present one is completed. It is not work that can be rushed through; each plate must be approved of and numbered before the next is printed off, so that no dislocation may occur from the failure of a collotype plate. Of course there are always a number (5 to 10) in progress, so that there may be little delay in passing them on. But collotype plates from photographic negatives are precarious, and often cause considerable delays. I hope to visit London shortly, and shall then consult with Mr. Griggs to see if some better and surer method of reproduction cannot be employed in future volumes.

Trusting the above will remove the grounds of blame as to the reports in question in his Lordship's communication, and waiting instructions as to the disposal of the Bundelkhand drawings, which I am quite willing to return to Mr. Smith,

The Under Secretary of State
for India.

I have, &c.,
JAS. BURGESS.

No. 3.

Sir,

Edinburgh,
17th April 1899.
I have just received yours, R. and L. 761, of 15th instant, and, though I have not been able to lay my hands on the papers giving full details of the reports originally proposed, I have before me, "Government of India, Revenue and Agriculture Department, Archaeology," No. 2/5—60, Arch., dated Simla, 5th May 1890." At paragraph 5 a

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list of the reports is given, not, however, arranged in volumes. Of these—

Two reports by Dr. Führer and Mr. Smith relate to those of Budaon, Bundelkhand, and Brick Architecture, of which I have never received the MSS. and necessary photographs. Budaon was sent to Mr. Smith to complete, Bundelkhand drawings would not make a report by themselves, and if Mr. Smith can complete the material and write the text, I would gladly send them back to him.

Three reports by Mr. Rodgers. The late Mr. Rodgers was to have sent me his notes to accompany the drawings, and also photographs, which I fear were never taken. With cursory notes the drawings might readily be published, but it would be better to examine and classify them so as to estimate their real value. Mr. Rodgers was a numismatist, and knew nothing of monumental antiquities, their age, or importance. It would take some time to go over the drawings made by his staff. With necessary photographs a considerable proportion of them would be made intelligible. I have full notes for one report.

The remaining seven volumes belong to Madras and Bombay.

1. For Kanchi or Conjeveram.—The MS. only requires revision for the press, and might have been published, but I hoped to obtain photographs.
2. For Mahavallipur or Seven Pagodas.—The same, and there are some photographs.
3. For Bijyanagar or Hampe.—The same.
- 4a. For Ramesvaram.—Drawings and sufficient jottings to complete a report.
- 4b. For Madura.—I returned the drawings to Mr. Rea as they were hardly complete, and advised him to complete the survey with photographs and publish it at Madras.
5. The Gujarat reports will extend to three volumes and are very important. The first on Mehmudabad, &c., has been published, and the second is advancing as rapidly as Mr. Griggs can get the collotypes ready.
6. The volume on Chalukya Architecture can go to press as soon as Ahmadabad is issued, provided I can get the negatives, now at Calcutta, that were taken for this report.
7. Bijapur is nearly ready, and could be printed as soon as the plates were completed, but wants photographs—taken, but not yet sent home.
8. The Architecture of Northern Gujarat.—This was prepared for His Highness the Gaikwad, and I reported to Baroda some years ago that the volume could be then sent to the press, but no definite reply as to meeting expense was received, and I could not go on with it.

It will be observed that the first two reports are struck off and part of the 9th (4b); that three have been delayed for want of completed material; that six more are so far completed that for some the printing can go on about as rapidly as Mr. Griggs can take the plates—especially the collotypes—*seriatim*, but for which many negatives are at Calcutta, and for others negatives have never been taken. To supply this defect, if Mr. Cousens could be deputed to Bijyanagar, Conjeveram, and Mahavallipuram, he would in a very short time provide all that could be desired.

The last-mentioned volume, on North Gujarat, is one I hoped to have had issued long ago.

Trusting this hurried statement may be of use,—

The Under Secretary of State
for India.

I have, &c.,
JAS. BURGESS.

No. 4.

R. and L. 788.

India Office,
16th May 1899.

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letters dated respectively the 13th and 17th April 1899, on the subject of the Archæological Reports entrusted to you in 1890 for publication on behalf of the Government of India.

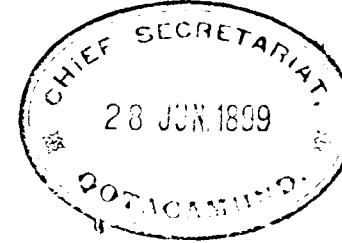
In reply, I am to express his Lordship's regret that, after fully considering the explanations you have offered regarding the delay which has taken place, he is unable to regard them as satisfactory, and he feels compelled, therefore, to maintain the decision already communicated to you, that the agreement made in 1890 must be considered as no longer binding. For the present, however, his Lordship is willing to refrain from further action pending an expression of the wishes of the Government of India, to whom a copy of this correspondence will be sent.

The Bundelkand drawings should be transmitted to this Office at an early date, for return to India.

James Burgess, Esq., LL.D., C.I.E.,
22, Seton Place, Edinburgh.

I am, &c.
A. GODLEY.

No. 2089-9-4.



FROM

E. MACONOCHE, Esq., I.C.S.,
Under-Secretary to the Government of India,

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras.

Simla, the 22nd June 1899

Department of Revenue
and Agriculture.

(Archaeology
and
Epigraphy)

SIR,

I am directed to forward, for information,
a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of
State for India, No. 16, dated 18th May 1899, and en-
-losures, regarding the delay in the publication of
Archaeological Reports entrusted to Dr. Burgess, and
to enquire whether Dr. Burgess has been in corres-
-pondence with the Superintendent of Archaeological
Surveys with reference to the photographs required.

2. I am also to ask whether, in the event of
the Madras Volumes being taken out of Dr. Burgess'
hands, arrangements could be made to publish them
locally.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Under-Secretary.

B. B. D.

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From

The Superintendent
Archaeological Survey
(Madras)

No. 175

Dated ~~17th~~^{12th} July 1899.

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SUBJECT.

Reports on certain Madras
Archaeological Survey volumes, now
in the hands of Dr. Burgess, being
published locally: and certain
photographs required therefor.

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Archaeological Survey (Madras),

Bangalore,

12th July 1899.

No. 175

From

A. BEA, ESQRE., F.S.A. Sec., M.F.A.S.,

SUPERINTENDENT, ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY

(MADRAS),

To

The Chief Secretary
to the Government of Madras.

SIR,

Adverting to Reference in the
below A Public Department, No. 1742 dated 5th
5th G.O. No. 779 Public, dated 11th Sep. 1891. July 1899, I have

(1) The Pallava Temples of Kanchivaram -
- June 1886.

(2) Rock-cut caves, monoliths and other
remains at Mamallapuram
(Seven Pagodas) Jan. 1889.

(3) Investigations in the Kistna, Godavari
and Nellore districts, with excavation
at the Buddhist stupas at Amaravati,
Pedda-Muddur, Garikapad, Guntapalle
and Pedda Ganjam. Nov. 1889.

(4) Remains at Vijayanagar (Hampi)
in the Bellary district. Dec. 1890.

the honour to state
that my manu-
script reports
of the undermen-
tioned places,
accompanied by
complete sets of
drawings were
sent to Dr. Burgess
on the dates
marginally
noted.

2. In Dr. Burgess' enclosed
letter No. 3 dated 17th April 1899, some

of these reports are referred to. The manuscript reports of his Nos: 1, 2, and 3 were written by me^d. of 4a and 4b I sent drawings only. Those

(2.)

See

G.O. No: 953,

dated 23rd July 1898,

and 1241 Public

dated 30th Sep. 1898.

of 4b were measured plans and drawing^v of the Madura Palace only, which at my request, were, with the sanction of Govern-

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-ment, returned

to me some months ago, to complete my materials for a report on ancient South Indian Palaces. Dr. Burgess does not mention my report with drawings, on Excavations in

(3.) See marginal note to above para 1.

the Kistna and (3.)
Nellore districts.

3. In addition to these, Dr. Burgess, has all the measured surveys, plans and drawings which were finished, and sent to him while he was Head of the Madras Archaeological Survey. If possible, the return of these, would be of the greatest service to me, in my work, as they contain varied examples of different classes of buildings and architecture. Without them, any report on such monuments, which I may afterwards write, from

materials subsequently collected, must be incomplete from want of full illustrations of these other examples that this Department had previously surveyed. For instance, since the Mahavallipur report was written and sent, I have surveyed various cave temples in different parts of the Presidency. It would add greatly to the interest of the report, and be important for comparison and reference, to have these all included in one volume. So, also, with the others to which I have above referred. It was for this same reason that recently I requested the return of the Madura Palace drawings.

4. Since Dr. Burgess retired, I have frequently enquired as to when it was likely that any of the Madras reports would be published; and offered to take back any of the volumes for local publication, if, through other more urgent work, there might be delay in having them published in England. But no particular date was ever mentioned; nor, — with the exception of the Madura Palace Drawings, above (para 2) referred to — were any returned, and I understood that they could only be taken in hand,

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after other work, on which he was engaged, was completed. In private letters, Dr. Burgess has incidentally mentioned, that photographs would be necessary to complete materials for the reports when they came to be published; but none were ever definitely asked for; nor was I informed which report was to be first proceeded with, or for which one, photographs would ultimately be first required. Dr. Burgess subsequently alluded to photos, which might be required for Madura — whose drawings had then been returned to me —

(4.) See G.O. No 1241. Public in a Communi-
dated 30th Sep. 1898. - cation to the
Madras Govern-
- ment in 1898.

In a letter embodied in G.O. No 588 Fin. -
- ancial dated 2nd August 1894, reference was made to photos which might be required, and it was stated that a further Communication would be made as to what photos might be needed for each report. But none has been received.

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5. I should be glad to have any or all my manuscript reports, with accompanying and other drawings, returned to me, and could easily arrange to have them speedily published locally with the necessary photographs, probably at much less expense than would be the case in England. With glass negatives, there will be delay and expense in sending them home, with a probable chance of some of them being broken in transit. The Madras Govern-
- ment Press produces letterpress of the best description; and the illustrations turned out by the Survey Office at Calcutta are as good as any done elsewhere.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

H. A. M.

Superintendent.

C. J.

12 July 1899, regarding the correspondence which has taken place between himself & Dr Burgess on the subject of the Modern Archaeological Reports entrusted to the latter gentleman for publication -

2. I am to add that in the event of the Modern Volume being taken out of Dr Burgess' hands, arrangements can be made to publish them locally.

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