

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 2139	Press Mis.
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Dated 6.10.1862	

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
6th October 1862.*

No. 37. Read the following letter from E. B. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Coimbatore, 5th February 1862, No. 14:—

SIR,

1. In reply to official Memorandum of the 27th ultimo, No. 21, I have the honor to inform you, that at the meeting held at Ootacamund on the 28th October to consider further the proposal for the election or appointment of a Municipal Commission, there were only some six or eight Europeans besides the gentlemen who composed the original Improvement Committee, to whom had been intrusted the task of drawing up a Municipal Act.

2. The opinions of the Natives were freely given, and were, together with those of a large proportion of the Europeans, decidedly unfavorable to any change in the existing system. The meeting was "*adjourned*," but did not subsequently take place.

3. A Petition to Government praying that the station might not be placed under Municipal control, was circulated I heard, for signature; and would have been, I believe, forwarded if it had not been understood that the project of a municipality was for the present abandoned.

4. Under existing circumstances, any addition to the present taxes would be, I think, very unpopular; and the elements for an efficient, harmonious, and economical Committee, seem not obtainable in the present society at Ootacamund; those that are efficient for such duty, being already amply engaged; or those that are at leisure to undertake the employment, not being such as would be *elected*, or who are acquainted with the nature of the work required, or the wishes and wants of the large Native community, nor of the large second class of Europeans in the place.

No. 38. ORDER THEREON, 6th October 1862, No. 2,139.

Ordered to be recorded.

(Signed) P. P. HUTCHINS,
Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.

Note for the
Community
City of W.D.
The attached
Lump sum
has far up to
Charles Trevelyan
consists of the
Official men
the C.W. as President
The fund is at the
disposal of the
aidances made by
the British Republic
the proceeds of the
sold in the case

the men in other words
not have picked up for
local convenience
to be expected by the
Agency of this Council
all that do not get
sold within Ottawa
Municipality.

The Clerk, Mr. Thomas,
expressed that he being
relieved from his
position of President
he always acted as the
-Constitution for the Council

cannot agree in all
their views - he is
not a member of the Council
this kind should be pre-
sided over by the Chief
Officers of the District
it is an ex-officio position
and not a position
attached to the services of
their officers for such
work call numerous officers.

But really it is
seems to me a position
to be the people of
the Nation - I should have
called upon a

can be into some thing to
these local Mts - not
keep a subordinate Court.
Two Doctors - a clergy-
man - a Police force
se - surely this is enough
out of the present volume.
Now they are asked
to drain the Pagar -
put up a principle -
for further. The pot cannot
in the present state of
the Law, introduce the
Municipal Act against
the wishes of the people. It
and I wish to be made
to induce them to apply for it
in consideration of what pot now do +

under the term "existing system"
 indicates that the Appellate in
 matters with the execution of words
 of improvement. The Commission
 been deposited in 22 Oct 61.
 However objection is made out
 written when I go down to the Appellate,

MP

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