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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 26th November 1863.

Read the following papers:—

No. 348. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 25th September 1863.

Read the following letter from the Honorable R. S. ELLIS, C. B, Collector of Madras, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Saidapet, 19th September 1863, No. 368.

SIR,

1. With reference to Government Order No. 1,529, dated 20th August 1863, I have the honor to enclose a plan of the public buildings attached to the Guindy Jail and of the Jail itself.

2. I would not recommend that any expense should be incurred to render these buildings suitable for a Talook Cutcherry, because I am of opinion that the Tahsildar's Cutcherry should be at Saidapet itself, which is a rapidly increasing town The inhabitants of Saidapet would be greatly inconvenienced if the Talook Cutcherry is located at Guindy.

3. I also think it undesirable that the Talook Cutcherry, which is generally attended by large numbers of people, should be in such close proximity to a Jail. I am satisfied that such an arrangement would be found destructive to Jail discipline. The space marked B is at present occupied by the Guindy Jailer, an arrangement which has its advantages as securing his constant presence and attendance. The space occupied by the Jailer was not occupied by short sentenced prisoners as sanctioned by the Order in the Judicial Department, dated 28th April 1863, No. 653, as it was found on consulting the Superintendent of Police that these prisoners could more conveniently be confined in the Jail at Saint Thomas' Mount. Moreover, by this arrangement, saving in Jail guards was effected.

4. It is very desirable that the records and Treasury now at Guindy should as soon as provision is made for a Talook Cutcherry, be removed from Guindy.

5. This would leave a considerable space available for prisoners, should it be found desirable, as is probable, to increase the number of convicts employed in the neighbourhood of the Guindy Jail. Under any circumstances, I would deprecate the removal of the Saidapet Talook Cutcherry to Guindy.

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1. Ordered to be submitted to Government, with reference to their orders quoted by the Collector.

2. The Board fully concur in opinion with the Collector that the Guindy Jail in position is ill-placed for the Talook Tahsildar's Office, and that the arrangement of combining the Cutcherry with that Jail, if intended, will be expensive and unsatisfactory.

No. 349. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 30th September 1863.

Read again letter from the Collector of Madras, dated 18th August 1863, No. 329, recorded in Board's Proceedings, No. 5,252, 22nd August 1863.

Read also the following letter from the Honorable R. S. ELLIS, C. B., Collector of Madras, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Saidapet, 25th September 1863, No. 388.

SIR,

1. With reference to the Board's Proceedings, No. 5,252 of the 22nd ultimo, I have the honor to forward herewith a ground plan of Mr. Johannes' house at Saidapet.

2. There is ample space for a subsidiary Jail and Police Lock-up. But I am of opinion that it will only be necessary to provide for prisoners under trial. Convicted short sentenced prisoners can continue as at present to be confined in the Jail at Saint Thomas' Mount.

Ordered that the above correspondence with the plan of Mr. Johannes' house be submitted for the orders of Government, with reference to the proposals to build a Cutcherry at Saidapet already before them.

2. The Board are disposed to think that if the building is pronounced by the Department of Public Works to be well built and worth the price asked, the purchase may be a good economy although some slight alterations and additions will be necessary to suit it for a Talook Cutcherry.

3. The gain in time over the plan of building a new Office is a material consideration.

No. 350. From G. BANBURY, Esq., Acting Collector of Madras, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Saidapet, 3rd October 1863, No. 60.

SIR,

1. With reference to your Official Memorandum, No. 210 of the 1st instant, I have the honor to state that in October 1861 when the Guindy Jailer's dwelling house was under repair, Mr. Cunliffe permitted him to occupy the rooms which had previously been allotted to the Hoozoor Treasury and the Deputy Collector.

2. The owner of the building, which the Saidapet Tahsildar had long been occupying rent free, determined to rent it to other parties ; and upon this, Mr. Cunliffe requested the Sessions Judge to furnish the Jailer with rooms elsewhere, or to pay the monthly rent for a Cutcherry should it be determined to maintain the Jailer in his quarters at the Guindy Jail.

3. After some correspondence between this Office and Mr. Phillips, copies of which I herein enclose, it was arranged that the Jailer should continue to occupy the Guindy rooms, paying monthly Rupees 5 from the Judicial Contingent charges, which sum was appropriated for the rent of a house in Saidapet for the use of the Talook Cutcherry.

4. This arrangement lasted only six months. The building was found unsuitable, and the Tahsildar ultimately removed to an old Choultry in the main street of Saidapet, and remained there until a few days back, when he became settled in far more convenient premises rented under Government orders for Rupees 20 per month.

Govt. Procs. dated 20th August 1863, No. 1,529, Revenue Department.

5. When the necessity for paying Rupees 5 per month ceased, the demand was no longer made upon the Judicial Department. The repairs to the Jailer's former residence are still to be completed, but should the Government think proper, I can communicate with Mr. Phillips concerning the restorations as soon as he returns from his recess.

No. 351. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Works Department, dated 7th October 1863, No. 2,925.

Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel A. J. M. BOILEAU, R. E., Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 5th October 1863, No. 2,782.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to state, in reply to your Memorandum No. 9, dated the 2nd instant, that an Estimate amounting to Rupees 6,300 for a new English Record room, Printing room, &c., was forwarded from this Office on the 3rd instant, to the Collector for his approval.

2. It has been pointed out to the Collector that the Order of Government appeared to contemplate merely additions to the present Record room, and he has been requested to state whether a new building, as planned and estimated for, is really required.

Communicated to the Revenue Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
26th November 1863.

No. 352. ORDER THEREON, 26th November 1863, No. 2,135.

1. The Government concur with the Board that the permanent location of the Talook Cutcherry in the buildings at Guindy, under the same roof as the Jail is objecti onable, and they consider that the best plan will be to build a proper Cutcherry near the Collector's Office, on part of the land purchased from the Estate of the Nabob.

2. The Government are not disposed to purchase Mr. Johannes' house, and until a Cutcherry can be built, they consider that the best plan will be for the Tahsildar to occupy the northern portion of the Guindy buildings, which can afterwards be appropriated for Jail purposes, either as a dwelling for the Jailer or otherwise.

3. The Board will obtain and submit an estimate for any petty alterations as may be necessary and a Plan and Estimate for a new Cutcherry.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ Department Public Work.
„ Judicial Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Magistrate's Office
Saidapet 5th November 1861

No. 72.

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From B Cunliffe Esqre
Magistrate of the Madras Distt.

To The Sessions Judge
of Chengleput

Sir

As the Saidapet Tahsildars occupied as his office, a house near the village which was more convenient than his Cutcherry in the same building as the Gaol, the jailor was permitted about 2 months ago to take up his quarters in the principal room of the Cutcherry during the time his own dwelling was under repair

2 The owner of the house first alluded to has resented it to other parties and the Tahsildar now requires his Gaol Cutcherry.

3 I must request you therefore to find the Jailer accommodation elsewhere or if it is necessary that he should be lodged near his prisoners & his own quarters are not ready for him, that you will rent a House in Saidapet for the Tahsildar's

Office

Office. An early answer will oblige me, as that Officer is now put to much inconvenience.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servt
/Signed/ B. Cunliffe
Magistrate

/True Copy/
Geo Bambury
Acting Collector

C. Ponthasamy
Clerk

1863 December 4.

Letter from the Acting Collector of Chingleput dated 3 Dec. 1863 Rd. 5.

To the Secretary to Government
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith a letter from the Session Judge of Chingleput, dated 3rd. Instant, with its enclosure from the Magistrate of Madras, dated 1st. Instant, on the subject of the Jail at Gundy.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servt
/Signed/ Geo Bambury
Acting Collector

/True Copy/

C. Ponthasamy
Clerk.

No 197

Chingleput Session Court.
8th. November 1861.

From:
A. W Phillips Esquire
Session Judge of Chingleput.

To
B. Cunliffe Esquire.
Magistrate of Madras District.

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 5th. November, and to state that arrangements will be made with the least possible delay for placing the buildings now occupied by the Jailor at Gundy at your disposal.

I have the honor to be
Sir.
Your most Obedient Servant.

/Signed/ A. W. Phillips
Session Judge.

True Copy

Geo Bambury
Acting Collector

C. Ponthasamy
Clerk.

1863 Copy of Letter from the Collector of Chingleput dated 23 December No. 78 to the Secretary to Government Fort St George

Copy of a letter from the Collector of Chingleput dated 23 December 1863 No. 78.

To

The Secretary to Government
Fort St George

Madras District
Magistrate's Office
Saidapet 23d December 1863.

No. 78

From

C. W. Reade Esqre.
Acting Magistrate of the Madras Dist.

To

The Sessions Judge of
Chingleput

Sir

Adverting to your letter to Mr. Cunliffe No. 197 dated 8 Instant, I beg to request you will be good enough to inform me, when the building now occupied by the Jailor will be available for the Tahsildar. The inconvenience experienced by the latter officer is real and in no way imaginery and however reluctantly I must request you will kindly cause the Jailor to vacate at once or as Mr. Cunliffe proposed authorise my renting a suitable building in the village of Saidapet as a Taluq office.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) C. W. Reade
Magistrate

(True Copy)

Geo. Rambery.
Acting Collector

Exd. J. Patthasarathy
Clerk

No 217

Chingleput Session Court.
30th. November 1861.

From.
A. W. Phillips Esquire.
Session Judge of Chingleput.

To.
G. W. Reade Esquire.
Acting Collector of the Madras
District.

Sir.

On the receipt of your letter of the 23rd Instant. No 78, I directed the Jailor at Gueroly by Memo dated 26th Idem, at once to vacate the building occupied by him for the accommodation of the Tahsildar's Cutchery, and the Jailor in reply has informed me that you have permitted him to continue in the occupation of the said building, forwarding at the same time a letter addressed to him by the Tahsildar saying that he had provided himself with a place for his Cutchery. But as I have not heard any thing of the kind from you, I have the honor to request you will be good enough to inform me whether the building in question is or is not required for the Tahsildar's Cutchery, and if it is not required

1863 Departmental

As a letter from the
acting Collector of Ch
dated 3d Oct 1863

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Rec'd 4th Oct 1863
Session Judge's Office
Chingleput

Copy of a letter
addressed to the
Acting Collector

required, whether the Jailor at Guindy can continue in its occupation on paying 5 Rs. Monthly for the building occupied by the Tahsildar in lieu of it.

I have the honor to be
Sir.
Your Most Obedient Servant
[Signed] A. W. Phillips.
Session Judge.

True Copy

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Pettah and Clerk.

[illegible]
Acting Collector.

1863 Collectorate
Copy of a letter from
the Collector of Chingleput
dated 12th October 1863
&c &c &c
To
The Secretary to Government

Copy of a letter
from the Officiating
Judge of Chingleput

No. 83

Madras District
Magistrate's Office
Saidapet 2 Decr 1861.

From
C. W. Reade Esqre
Acting Magistrate of
Madras
To
A. W. Phillips Esqre
Session Judge of
Chingleput.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 30th Ultimo I have the honor to state that subsequent to my writing to you on the 23d inst I visited the Jailor's Quarters and also inspected a building in the town of Saidapet suitable for a Taluq Cutcheri & as the inconvenience of removal would be very great to the Jailor both in public & private account. I told him he might remain under the proposal made by you of paying 5 Rs a month which will cover the rental of the

the other buildings for the use of the Tahasildar.

2 It did not occur to me to inform you of what I have done but I hope the arrangement will be satis= =factory and so long as you pay the 5 Rs monthly so long the Jailor can occupy his present Quarters.

I have &c &c

Sd/ J C M Reade

Asst Magistrate

(True Copy)

Sd/ Geo Lambert

Acting Collector

Sd/ T Parthasarathy

Clerk

No. 5,252.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 22nd August 1863.

Read the following letter from the Honorable R. S. ELLIS, C. B., Collector of Madras, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sadras, 18th August 1863, No. 329:—

1. I have the honor to inform the Board that I have received an offer from Mr. Johannes to sell his house at Sydapet close to the Marmalong bridge for a sum of 5,000 Rupees.

2. The house is exceedingly well suited for a Tahsildar's Cutcherry. It was examined at my request by the Acting District Engineer, who was of opinion that an expenditure of 1,000 Rupees would make the house in question complete in all respects as a Taluk Cutcherry.

3. The house affords ample accommodation, and has at the back a large compound.

4. The price at which it is now offered is a considerable reduction on the sum originally named which was 7,000 Rupees.

5. It has occurred to me that it would be advantageous to accept Mr. Johannes's offer instead of building a new Tahsil Cutcherry, which would not be finished for a considerable sum, and which would necessitate the purchase of a site.

6. Should the Board concur in this view, I will put myself in communication with Mr. Boyson, the Government Solicitor, with a view to ascertaining whether the title to the house is complete, and that it is not encumbered with mortgages.

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1. The Collector is requested to submit a ground plan of the building.

2. The Board presume that the Guindy Jail is available for all the purposes of a Subsidiary Jail and Police lock-up.

(A true Copy and Extract)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary.

To Honorable R. S. Ellis, C. B., Collector of Madras.

Exd. J. Wright.

Encl. in the Proc. of the Bd. of Rev. dated 30 Sept. 1863 No. —

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No.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated 22nd August 1863.

Despatched

Received

No. 5,252.

Requesting him to submit a ground plan of Mr. Johannes's house at Saidapet, which he recommends to be purchased for the Saidapet Tahsildar's Kacheri.

Letter
Encl. in the Proc.
Rev. Dept.

Nº 2105

Revenue Department

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 26th November 1863.

Read the following papers.

Proceedings of the Bd of Revenue

Submitting with Remarks a letter from the Coll. of Madras reporting on the conversion of the buildings attached to the Guindy Jail into a Taluk Cutcherry for the Saidapett Tahsildar. (Here enter 25th September 1863)

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Submitting with Remarks letter from the Coll. of Madras forwarding a ground plan of Mr. Johannes's house. (Here enter 30th Do Do)

From the Acting Collector of Madras Furnishes the required information regarding the rooms occupied by the Police at the Guindy Jail. (Here enter 3rd October 1863 No. 60)

Pro. of the Madras Govt. P. W. Depart. Communicating a letter from the Sup. Engr. 4th Div. stating that an Estimate amounting to Rs. 6,300 for a new English Record room, Printing room &c. was forwarded from his office on the 3rd October to the Coll. of Madras for his approval. (Here enter 7th October 1863 No. 2127)

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11 Copies Letter Bd & Revenue Dept.
21 — Do Cutcherry with 2 Plans
5 — Jail Copies

Revenue 1863 Dec/Jt

Pro: of Govt for Nov.

No. 2135.

Pro: of the Madras Govt.

Dy 26. Nov. 63.

From the Supt Engr 4th Qu
No. 255

Dated the Supt & Engr 4th Dist.

No. 1198 Dy 5th May 1864

Location of Sydapet Cutcherry in Madras Dist attached to Gundy Jail considered objectionable and Estimate called for for building a new one near the Collectors Office.

Pro. No. 128-129
9-9-63

Pro. No. 192-193
20-8-1863
E. No. 2315 "
" 2351 "

Pro. No. 653
28-4-63 Judl

Pro. R No. 326-327
31-8-63

No. 348 & 351.