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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 26*th November* 1866.

No. 611. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th November 1866, No. 8,217.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Bellary, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 24th October 1866, No. 217 :—

1. I have considered the plan* of extending the Collector's Cutcherry at Bellary, by joining the present building with the offices behind it, which consist of a Record Room, Printing Office, and Sub-Magistrate's Cutcherry.

* Received with Superintending Engineer's docket, No. 2,089, dated 11th October 1866.

2. The Collector's Cutcherry is a handsome building of two stories, containing rooms above for the Collector, Assistant Collector, and Deputy, three good rooms, with the south verandah enclosed.

3. On the ground floor of corresponding space, is a large room occupied by the Serishtar Department, and the remaining portion is railed off for the current expense treasury; at present two-thirds of the space available for the Serishtar Department is occupied by boxes of stationery, received from Madras, there being in one walled-in corner of the building, a room already occupied by stationery unpacked, which reaches to the roof, the corresponding enclosed room on the other side (the west) is occupied by the Collector's Serishtadar.

4. I consider that the junction of the present two-storied building, regular and homogeneous in itself, with a large one-storied block of building behind, in order to afford room for Writers in the Account Department, would have an unsightly effect, and materially diminish the ventilation, which the building in its present state commands, and also doubt whether the light would be well admitted.

5. It is evident that when arrangements are made by the Madras Bank for taking over the monetary transactions of this treasury, much of the space now occupied by the treasury will be available for use, and the Writers and Clerks will be able then to work under the immediate supervision of the Head of the office, instead of in their present incommodious room, in the back building of the Cutcherry. The necessity of the extension as formally planned will then be obviated.

6. But as a good and secure room for the extensive supplies of stationery (the Printing Office consumes a large quantity) will still be required, to fill in the angle between the Printing Office and side wall of the Sub-Magistrate's Cutcherry will afford the requisite space, and complete the regularity of the building; the only objection being that some windows of the Printing Office will be blocked up. But as the light derived from those windows, a side light thrown into the eyes of the Compositors, is not well placed, and as sky lights and ventilators are to be placed in the roof of the Printing Office, and no ventilation is derived from those windows, which indeed are always kept shut, the objection is removed.

7. Instead, therefore, of carrying out the originally projected plan, which is in the Budget, and would cost Rupees 2,950, I would recommend that accommodation, now so urgently required, be made by substituting the estimate for the stationery room, at a cost of Rupees 1,646. The two plans and estimates are enclosed.

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Enclosures Nos. 1 to 5.—Plans and Estimates.

1. Submitted for the sanction of Government, in the Department of Public Works, as the Collector must be assumed to be the best judge of his own office requirements, and the proposed change involves no increase over the sanctioned Budget charge, but a saving.

2. The Collector should have quoted the previous correspondence on the original project, and will now supply the omission.

No. 612. Order thereon, 26th November 1866, No. 3,220.

Miscellaneous.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

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No. 8,217.

Submitting for sanction proposal of Collector of Bellary to add a Stationery room to Huzur Cutcherry at a cost of Rupees 1646 in lieu of projected extension of the Cutcherry, and requesting Collector to quote previous correspondence on original project. R. 3220.

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26 Nov 1866