

# MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

*Revenue* DEPARTMENT.

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30th June 1868.

No. 665. Read the following letter from the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 18th June 1868 :—

10th June 1868, No. 1,620.

1. With reference to the Orders of Government marginally noted, I am directed to request that the Superintending Engineer may be instructed to favor the Board with a sight of the plans which he has been ordered to prepare of the contemplated addition to the Board's office.

2. The construction of a verandah on the eastern and southern sides of the office will add very materially to the coolness of the building, as well as be an architectural improvement. The Board request that instruction may be issued for the construction of a masonry verandah on the western side of the Members' rooms in substitution of the existing wooden one. The latter absorbs and emits so much heat after the sun has shone on it, as to render the rooms extremely hot and close. In rainy weather it leaks very much.

3. The Board trust they may be permitted to express their regret at the determination of Government to build on the western wing of their office. The Government are aware that the Members' rooms face due east, and that the Engineering College and Public Works Stores intercept the breeze from the south-east while the proposed new range will shut out that from the north. The new rooms now being built on the west side will exclude the land wind from the "tatted" verandah, which now keeps the Members' rooms comparatively cool during the season when this wind prevails. And while thus materially injuring the existing rooms, the new rooms will themselves be excessively warm, as they will only be open to the land winds, which only prevail for a few months and are then hot. The existing building cuts off the easterly and southerly winds, and the new range of offices for the Survey Department will exclude those from the north. The Board unfortunately received no previous intimation of the intentions of Government, or these considerations would have been submitted sooner. They beg to add, that if the Lithographic Department be removed into the buildings now being erected for it, they can accommodate the Forest Office and the Book-binding department in the rooms now occupied by the Lithographic department. This would at once admit of the demolition of the Forest Office, and give time for the consideration of the Superintending Engineer's plans.

4. The Board beg to recommend, that separate means of access be provided for the Survey Department and also for the Forest Department, if the rooms now proposed are carried out. It is very inconvenient and objectionable that the employés and visitors of departments not in any way under the Board's control should have access to their office, and unless such departments are isolated, it will be impossible to hold the Board's peons answerable for the safety of the records, &c., at night.

No. 666.

ORDER THEREON, 30th June 1868, No. 1,823.

Miscellaneous.

The Board of Revenue will be informed that as soon as the plans are completed for the alterations at Chepauk,

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the Members of the Board will be invited to inspect them in conjunction with the Members of Government and the Secretary to Government in Department Public Works, and that any suggestion which the Members of the Board may make for the internal distribution of the rooms and for the comfort of the Members will be willingly acceded to, so long as they are consistent with the general plan adopted by Government, which is to form a complete and symmetrical building two stories high on all the sides.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,  
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.  
,, the Public Works Department.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

No. 2150

From the *Ady* Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Dated 18<sup>th</sup> June 1868.

FOR ORDERS.

I would say that as soon as the plans are completed the members of the Board will be invited to inspect them by the members of Government and the Secretary for the Department of public works and that any suggestions which the members of the Board may make for the internal distribution of

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I don't think that we should send  
the plans to the Board or  
allow them to suggest alterations  
in a regular written correspondence  
which would open a very wide

door to criticism & controversy.  
I don't think that the exclusion of  
a portion of the land wind which  
even now reaches the rooms of the  
members of the Board very imperfectly  
is any serious hardship. They will  
have an excellent view of the  
harbour the sea and a  
fine additional corner room on that  
side. If the members of the Board  
have each a good spacious room  
with a view of the sea & a good  
exposure to the sea breeze they will  
be well off, much better than  
many others. I think it essential  
with for the appearance of the  
building and for the  
accommodation required that

There should be a door to the story all round. This, of course, very desirable that the Forest & Survey Dept. should have a separate entrance and stair case. That will be insured by placing the Forest Dept. on the upper story on the West side and the Survey Dept. on the upper story on the North side, and by giving them a special stair between the two. The room now occupied by the Lithographer's Dept. will probably be necessary as luncheon rooms & book-bonding rooms. The wooden godown in which these operations are carried on being destined to be destroyed.

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from a previous low cabin with Mr. R. 18th as to the chambers of construction in contemplation. They have been working them for years and with the aid of their local knowledge might have offered suggestions of undoubted propriety, and the Govt. would with pleasure have accepted.

As it is, I have been shown a plan in the rough, prepared, I believe, by Mr. Sin, which seems likely to realize all the architectural improvements of the Lordship. The President is desirous of securing, without at the same time diminishing the proposed quantity of accommodation for

At present the 18th members  
have fine large rooms as offices,  
but - unless the sea breeze sets in  
direct from the East, they don't  
feel it, as it is intercepted by the  
Civil Engineering College. & the  
P.W. dept. work shops.

The construction for the Forest Dept.  
of an upstairs range, West of the  
buildings occupied by the members  
of the Board, will no doubt be a  
very serious impediment to their  
personal comfort - of the members,  
at that period of the year when  
the heat is most felt. It occurs  
to me that advantage would  
be and doubt have been derived

the department concerned. It is a hindrance  
a block of buildings in elongation of  
the present East frontage of the  
Rev. Board and will be free from  
the objections on personal grounds  
as the 18th have permitted themselves  
(properly I think) to bring to notice.

I am of opinion that a con-  
sideration of the Plan in question  
might lead the Lordship the Pres.  
to form a different conclusion from  
that at which he seems now to have  
arrived.

20 June 68.

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