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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
11th April 1872.

No. 112. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th March 1872, No. 412:—

Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Fort St. George, dated Ramalkotta, 26th January 1872, No. 1,954.

WITH reference to Government Order No. 112 of 15th January 1872, I have the honour to forward the original estimate and specification which were submitted to Government by my predecessor in August 1863, and were sanctioned in Government Order No. 1,593 of 31st August 1863 in the Revenue Department.

2. The item of wood-work is not included in the estimate, and on this point I would call your attention to Government Order No. 3,754 of 3rd December 1867 and No. 612 of 22nd February 1868. The woods used were obtained from the Forest Department, and were Innomuddy, Vengay, and Mangoe.

3. As regards the plastering having given way, I believe it has been chiefly caused by the water from the roof having come down through the walls, which are of stone-in-clay. The flooring was of dry lime-stone, (small pieces of nodular limestone) rammed and plastered over; this as soon as one hole shows soon gives way if there is much traffic over it. Asphalting was proposed in order to stop leakage down the walls, and in hopes of keeping the white-ants from the roof. I do not think that the mere building the upper portions of the walls of brick-in-chunam would prevent the ants from getting to the roof, as, after getting so high, I believe they would get through the plaster and then go up the wall.

4. On the whole, I would recommend that this building be condemned, and I would suggest that a new Cutcherry should be built near the Rajampett Railway Station. I am aware that in their Order No. 1,003 of 9th June 1863, Government approved of Pullumpett being fixed upon as the Cusbah of the taluq; but I think Messrs. Wedderburn and McQuhae were misled by the then Tahsildar who had a house and a large quantity of land at Pullumpett, and I believe that, if the question was now referred to the Revenue Department, the Collector would agree with me that Pullampett is not the best site for the Cusbah. It is about 2½ miles from the nearest Railway Station (Reddypully) from which, I believe, it is also at times cut off by freshes in the Poolunga river; it has not increased in size, whereas I am told Rajampett has. It is certainly more central than Rajampett; but I think this should not be considered, as there is a Deputy-Sub-Magistrate at Chitwail.

TRANSFERRED to the Revenue Department with a view to the proposal of the Superintending Engineer for building a new Cutcherry being considered in that department. There can be little doubt that it would be injudicious to spend much in the repair of the existing building.

(Signed) J. CARPENDALE, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

5th February 1872.

REFERRED to the Board of Revenue for their remarks.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

6th February 1872.

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As the site of the Pullumpett Cutcherry was approved by Government on a distinct statement by the local officers of its superiority to Rajampett, the Board are not prepared to recommend to Government the abandonment of the building so recently erected at the former place by the Department Public Works at a cost of over 8,000 Rupees, on the sole ground that Rajampett is two miles nearer to the Railway and that the Pullumpett Cutcherry was badly built.

2. If the cost of asphalting the floors (or laying them in brick), for replacing damaged timber, and for finishing the walls with brick-in-chunam, would of course fall far short of that of a new building, the repair of the Pullumpett Office should be undertaken, the Board think, at once.

No. 113. ORDER THEREON, 11th April 1872, No. 593.

Miscellaneous.

COMMUNICATED to the Department Public Works, with the request that orders may be issued to proceed at once with the repairs of the Office at Pullumpett.

2. The responsibility for the bad work in the first instance should be brought home to the proper person.

(True Extract.)
(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Officiating Chief Secretary.

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

Extd. F. R. Bantleman.

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Order Nº 197 Dated 19th April 1872

The Superintending Engineer 3rd Division will have such emergent repairs as may be required to make the building safe (with reference to the statement regarding outer walls in the Report to accompany the estimate) carried out at once from the repair funds at his disposal. and will submit a revised estimate for such further work as may be required after having satisfied himself as to its probable sufficiency.

True Extract
Lieutenant Colonel R.E.
Offg Secretary to Govt
P.W. Dept

To The Revenue Department.

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REVENUE.

To

THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated April 11th.

Recd.

G. O., 11th April 1872, No. 593.

APRIL.

Nos. 112-113.

Taking Cutcherry at Pullumpett in Cuddapah District.—Department Public Works requested to issue the necessary orders to proceed at once with the repairs of the building.

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Issuing orders for proceeding at once with the repairs of Salur Tatchery at Tallumpett in Vizagapatam Dist with Orders