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Proceedings of the Madras Governnent, Public Works Department,
2nd Novembe[r] 1875.

Read the follow[ing] papers :—

No. 36. Proceedings of the Madras Gove[rn]ment in the Judicial Department, dated 26th July 1875 No. 1,650.

Read the following letter from the Inspector General of Police, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 14th July 1875, No. 3,481.

I HAVE the honor to forward, for submission to Government, a letter* from the Superintendent of Police, Madura, in which he brings to notice the insufficient accommodation which exists in the building now used as District Police Office at Madura, and requesting that he may be allowed to occupy a part of the building about to be vacated by the Collector when his office is removed into the Palace.

* No. 175, dated 27th June 1875, with three enclosures.

From Captain F. KILGOUR, Superintendent of Police, Madura, to Lieut.-Colonel C. S. HEARN, Inspector-General of Police, Madras, dated Madura, 27th June 1875, No. 175.—Through the Deputy Inspector-General.

I HAVE the honor to forward, for your perusal, copy of a letter sent by me to the Collector of Madura, on the subject of the Cutcherry buildings which will shortly be vacated, and his reply.

2. The accommodation my present office gives is insufficient; the Police school has to be kept in the old barracks, which are upwards of a mile from my office; the arms have also to be kept there, which necessitates an extra guard.

3. It is very desirable that my office, stores, school, &c., should be transferred to the Collector's Cutcherry, when it is vacated by him. As will be seen from the Collector's letter, it is estimated that this building can be sold for Rupees 20,000; that part of the Cutcherry occupied by the Huzur Treasury, guard-room, &c., will not be required.

4. A reference to the Collector's letter will show that it is proposed to build the new Subsidiary Jail and Town Magistrate's Office on the vacant piece of ground immediately behind the buildings I wish to occupy.

5. It will further be seen from the Collector's letter that the Postmaster-General has also applied for this building.

6. The Collector is in favor of the building I apply for being transferred to the Police Department; centralizing the various Police buildings will be a great advantage. It appears to me that so much accommodation cannot possibly be required by the Postal Department; I should imagine that the buildings now used as a Huzur Treasury, guard-room, store-room, &c., also shown in plan, will give ample space for a Post Office. The Collector in his letter estimates the value of these at Rupees 10,000.

7. If the Postmaster-General will consent to take over this portion of the building as a Post Office, and should my proposal be generally approved of, I will enter into further communication with the Collector; it will also be advisable to have the buildings surveyed and valued by the Public Works Department.

From Captain F. KILGOUR, Superintendent of Police, Madura, to W. McQUHAE, Esq., Collector of Madura, dated Madura, 15th May 1875, No. 217.

I UNDERSTAND that the building now being used by you as a Cutcherry will be vacated on your office being transferred to the palace.

2. The accommodation in my office being insufficient, I have the honor to request that this building may be handed over to the Police Department on the transfer being made.

From W. McQUHAE, Esq., Collector of Madura, to Captain F. KILGOUR, Superintendent of Police, Madura, dated Camp at Sembaganoor, 29th May 1875, No. 1,147.

WITH reference to your letter, dated 15th May 1875, No. 217, I have the honor to inform you that Government have already decided that the present Huzur Cutcherry building should be sold, and the value thereof used for completing the quarters destined for the Collector and the Judge in Terumal Naick's Palace. It is estimated that the Collector's Cutcherry can be sold for about 20,000 Rupees, and the whole of the buildings, including Taluq Cutcherry, &c., may realize about 30,000 Rupees.

G.Os., dated 15th and 13th January 1872, Nos. 81 and 140, respectively, R. D.

2. In February 1872 the Postmaster-General applied for a portion of the Cutcherry building for the use of the Post Office at Madura, and the accommodation required by him will take up nearly three-fourths of the buildings. The subject is now under the consideration of Government.

G.O., 29th January 1875, No. 206 R. D.

3. A proposal has also been submitted to Government to take up the whole of the vacant ground between the Printing Office and the Huzur and Taluq Cutcherries as a site for a new Subsidiary Jail and Town Magistrate's Office.

To Government, dated 8th May 1875, No. 189.

4. In these circumstances, any application for the building, if it is wanted by the Police, should be made to Government through the Head of the Department. I do not know whether the Postmaster-General will pay the sum asked for the building.

THE Superintendent's proposal appears good.

2. The cost of the portion of the old Cutcherry required by the Police will be about Rs. 10,000 if the building has to be sold; it may perhaps be possible to have it transferred to the Police Department.

COIMBATORE,
8th July 1875.

(Signed) A. M. DAVIES,
Deputy Inspector-General of Police.

To the Inspector-General of Police, Madras.

ORDERS having been passed on the letter from the Collector of Madura, dated the 8th May 1875, No. 189, these papers will be referred, through the Public Works Department, to the District Engineer for report, keeping in view the Collector's letter, dated 29th May 1875, No. 1,147, to the Superintendent of Police, Madura.

G.O., dated 22nd July 1875, No. 1,621.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES MACLEAN,
Acting Under Secretary.

No. 360.

FORWARDED to the District Engineer, Madura, for required report.

OOTACAMUND,
9th August 1875.

(Signed) J. O. HASTED, Major, R.E.,
Offg. Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

No. 36-A. From Lieutenant-Colonel J. F. FISCHER, R.E., District Engineer, Madura, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madura, 20th October 1875, No. 2,958.

WITH reference to your endorsement, No. 360, under date the 9th August 1875, on G.O., in the Judicial Department, of the 26th July 1875, No. 1,650, I have the honor to report that I concur in all the arrangements proposed by the Superintendent of Police, Madura, and consider they can be adopted economically and beneficially for the public service as the best which may be devised.

1 Plan of the Huzur Cutcherry.
1 Original enclosure, No. 360, under date the 9th August 1875, on G.O., in the Judicial Department, No. 1,650, dated 26th July 1875, with its four enclosures.

2. I take the opportunity to submit, for the consideration of Government, accompanying copy of a letter from the Collector of Madura, No. 2,263, dated the 15th instant, affording his opinion regarding the disposal of the present Huzur Cutcherry building with reference to G.O., No. 2,546, 8th September 1875. I consider the Post Office can be located in the building now in use by the Police, and in this also the Telegraph Office required for Madura may be put, but it is very advisable, in so large a town as this, to have the Police in the most advantageous position, near the large pagoda and the chief markets.

All original documents and the plans, I beg to add, are herewith returned.

From H. W. BLISS, Esq., Acting Collector of Madura, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. F. FISCHER, R.E., District Engineer, Madura, dated Madura, 15th October 1875, No. 2,263.

IN reply to your letter, No. 2,723, dated 5th October 1875, I have the honor to state that, in my opinion, it will be useless to attempt to sell the Cutcherry unless we can give some idea to intending purchasers of the time that will elapse before they can be allowed to enter into possession. For all I can tell, it may be ten years. If you can give me any idea I may be able to take steps for the sale of the building. If not, I must write to Government and request permission to postpone the sale. In the meantime the Superintendent of Police should do as Mr. McQuhae advised him, that is, apply to Government for the building, through the Inspector-General. It might also be worthwhile to point out that the Director-General of Post Offices in India is vastly mistaken if he thinks he can build a suitable Post Office in a central position in Madura for less than half, Rupees 15,000. It would be a pity, I think, that so suitable a building for a Post Office should be lost through a misapprehension on the part of the Director-General.

No. 37. ORDER THEREON, 2nd November 1875, No. 3,104.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 4.

ACCOMMODATION being required at Madura for the Postal, Telegraph, and Judicial Departments, and existing public buildings being available for its provision to a considerable extent, His Excellency the Governor in Council desires that the Postmaster-General, the Deputy Superintendent of Telegraphs, Madras Division, and the Superintendent of Police will arrange for meeting at Madura, and settling, in personal communication with the Collector and District Engineer, how such existing buildings may best be utilized. The District

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Engineer will then value each block required by other departments in order that credit may be given for similar amounts in the Budget of 1876-77, to complete the Collector's new offices in Tirumal Naick's Palace.

(True Extract.)

Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Postmaster-General.
„ Deputy Superintendent of Telegraphs
„ Superintendent of Police, Madura District.
„ District Engineer, Madura.
„ Collector of Madura.
„ Revenue Department.
„ Judicial „

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