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No. 220. Read the following letter from H. F. WOODROFFE, Esq., Acting District and Session Judge of Madura, to the Honorable D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madura, 26th November 1874, No. 365:—

The District Engineer having forwarded me plans and estimate of Rupees 22,350 for improving the Tumkum Bungalow at Madura, I have inspected the proposed improvements and also considered the question of its fitness generally, as a residence for the Judge. Regarding the plans I noticed several points in which alteration would be desirable; yet after all this might be done and the already very heavy estimate exceeded (as it could hardly fail to be), the result would not be a house suitable for an European family gentleman. Should it then be eventually determined that the Judge is to occupy the Tumkum compound, I would have no hesitation in pressing most strongly that the present building should be completely taken down and replaced by another, which would be more commodious and at the same time cost far less to Government.

2. The occupation of the compound under any circumstances however becomes objectionable, when it is considered there is no possible means of marking a garden, and no proper drinking water (I quote from Mr. Goldingham's letter to Government, No. 94, dated 20th February 1871, which I would respectfully ask the re-attention of Government to as appropriate though he obtained permission to withdraw it, on account of subsequent circumstances which, if I am rightly informed, did not at all imply change of opinion about the Tumkum). I find myself compelled to go further, however, and object to the Judge having to reside on the northern bank of the river at all till it is bridged over at any rate. On this point again, Mr. Goldingham's letter leaves me nothing to add except that the causeway (so long as there is no other way across the river) would entail on the Judge some increased expenditure of time and money (in the matter of conveyance) and exposure.

3. Holding the foregoing view I do myself the honor to solicit your laying the circumstances before Government with my respectful request that His Excellency in Council would be pleased to reconsider so much of G.O., 16th February 1871, No. 289, Revenue Department, as affects the Judge.

4. In conclusion, I may be permitted to point out that this representation comes from a practically disinterested party, as neither the Tumkum nor any other house could in the ordinary course of things be rendered fit for my occupation before return from leave of Mr. Hutchins, for whom I act. From what I hear, however, I gather that what I have written is in accordance with his view of the matter.

No. 221. *Order in Council, 25th February 1875, No. 437.*

Under the circumstances stated, the Government will not insist on the District Judge occupying the Tumkum. The large sum proposed to be spent on its improvement will therefore be unnecessary, and it will be sufficient for the fulfilment of the object of the Trust to rent the building to any persons who offer

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to occupy it and defray the receipts, first, towards keeping it in proper repair, and, secondly, to the establishment of one or more scholarships as determined in G.O., 16th February 1871, No. 239, Revenue Department.

2. The sum to the credit of the bungalow was reported in October 1872 to amount to Rupees 3,717-4-7. From this and subsequent receipts, the necessary expenditures to put the building in order may be incurred, and the balance invested in Government securities or otherwise so as to yield an interest which will defray the expense of maintaining one or two scholarships as originally intended.

3. The Collector will make the requisite arrangements for carrying out these orders.

(True Extract.)



Acting Chief Secretary.

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