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No. 535. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Judicial Department, dated 30th October 1876, No. 2,219:—

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Nellore, to the Chief Secretary Government, dated Nellore, 19th October 1876, No. 2,920.

REFERRING to the correspondence noted in the margin, I have the honor to state that I concluded the purchase of the houses at Nellore and Kistnapatam, tenanted by the Collector of Nellore, with Mrs. Smith on the 18th ultimo for Rupees 16,000, of which I have received from her a deed of transfer signed by the Government Solicitor.

G.O., dated 26th June 1876, No. 1,275.
To Govt., No. 1,894, dated 14th July 1876.
G.O., No. 1,510, dated 25th July 1876.
To Govt., No. 2,114, dated 27th July 1876.
G.O., No. 1,572, dated 2nd August 1876.

2. There are certain articles in the premises which I consider a separate payment should be made, as they cannot be taken to be included in the transfer of the premises.

They are as follow:—

- A—Nine punkahs in the Nellore house.
- B—Three pairs of carved half doors in the drawing-room of the Nellore house.
- C—Rattan matting in four rooms of the Nellore house.
- D—Twenty-five pictures in the Nellore house.

There is also some common reed matting in other rooms in the Nellore house not worth taking into account.

3. For the above property I propose to pay on behalf of Government a lump sum of Rupees 325, calculated approximately as below:—

A—Punkahs ...	Rs. 150
B—Carved half doors...	50
C—Rattan matting ...	100
D—Pictures ...	25

A friend and quasi-agent of Mrs. Smith has discussed the matter with me, and intimates that she will assent to this.

4. With reference to C, the rattan matting in the drawing-room should be replaced by new material to a large extent at once, as it is much out of repair in parts and disfigured by pieces cut out. I request sanction for obtaining new matting for about two-thirds of the room from the Friend-in-Need Society, Madras, and for getting repairs executed locally to the rest of the rattan matting in other rooms where necessary. The other rooms with rattan matting are the dining-room, a room used by me as an office, and a small sitting-room—their dimensions are given below approximately:—

Drawing-room ...	40 × 25 feet.
Dining-room ...	25 × 23 "
Office-room ...	30 × 17 "
Small sitting-room ...	25 × 15 "

The reed matting of some other rooms requires renewing or replacing also.

5. As to Item D, it is not customary for landlords to provide their tenants with pictures; but if the Government do not take these I, as tenant, may legitimately ask that the nails by which they have been suspended in the drawing and dining-rooms (three for each picture) may be removed, and the nail-holes be filled up. As the walls to which they are attached are of hard polished chunam, this would be a far more expensive business than to purchase the pictures. These consist of a series of coloured

engravings of Windsor Castle, glazed and in gilt frames, and about 29 inches x 23 inches in dimensions including frames. The latter are not in very good order, and in the course of two or three years will probably be too shabby to be presentable. As the walls are not in need of repair at present, I recommend the pictures may serve their purpose of covering the walls and hiding the nail-holes for the above two or three years. They have been in their present positions for very many years.

6. There are several petty repairs wanted to the house at Nellore, which I have refrained from asking my late landlady to carry out from consideration of her circumstances, but which I may fairly ask the Government to perform as early as possible, and I request the Department Public Works may be directed to undertake them.

7. I have, in conclusion, to request the Government to fix the rent of the houses at Nellore and Kistnapatam. As regards the latter, it is used, as a rule, only for about a-month in the year by the Collector, occasionally by others with his permission. I paid my rent to my late landlady up to and inclusive of the 18th September, the day on which I purchased the property from her for Government.

The purchase of the articles named for Rupees 325 may be concluded, the cost being included in that of the house property.

2. The question of repairs and what will be disposed of in the Public Works Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,

Chief Secretary.

No. 536.

ORDER THEREON, 28th November 1876, No. 3,204.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 40-A.

For the house at Nellore the rent of Rupees 117½ a-month which was paid by the Collector to the late private

proprietor, and which is about 8½ per cent. on the purchase money, seems an equitable charge.

2. The house at Kistnapatam may be held by the Collector on the condition that he keeps it in good order.

3. The District Engineer will attend to the repairs at present necessary to these buildings.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Major-General, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Nellore.

„ Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

„ Judicial Department.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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Order in the Judicial Department 9 December 1876. No. 2570

Communicated to the Collector of Nellore.

(True Extract)

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Chief Secretary.

The Collector of Nellore
The Revenue Department
The Board of Revenue.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To.

The DISTRICT ENGINEER,

NELLORE,

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Dated November 28th.

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G. O., 28th November 1878, No. 3,204.

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Nos. 535-536.

Purchase of Houses at the Nellore District.
Passing orders on the question of repairs and
rent of the two houses purchased by Govern-
ment at Nellore and Kistnapatnam.

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order regarding the repair &
rent of the two houses
purchased by Govt. at
Mellore & Krishnapatnam

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