

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

DEPARTMENT.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

4th January 1878, No. 7.

Read the following paper:—

No. 13. Endorsement of the Under-Secretary to Government, Financial Department, dated 17th December 1877.

Read the following letter from A. McC. WEBSTER, Esq., Acting President of the Ootacamund Municipality, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Chief Secretary to Government, dated Ootacamund, 5th December 1877, No. 114.

I HAVE the honor to forward, for the orders of Government, an extract from the Proceedings of the Municipal Commissioners of Ootacamund, dated 25th October 1877, and a map showing the proposed boundaries of the common land.

2. The Commissioners propose that a considerable portion of the downs lying to the west of the town of Ootacamund, which is now largely used for grazing purposes, and where most of the runs-with-the-hounds take place, should be declared by Government "common land" and reserved in perpetuity for grazing and recreation purposes. They think that there are more unused building sites within the town than are ever likely to be required, and that one beneficial result from the proposed reservation would be to prevent the extension of the town to the westward, which extension would greatly add to the distances to be traversed by the municipal scavengers and would vastly increase the labor and expense of lighting and sanitation. If building sites were not available in the town the Commissioners would not recommend the adoption of the scheme; but as the number of such sites is practically unlimited, they have no hesitation in soliciting the sanction of Government to it.

3. The scheme is an excellent one, and will, I trust, receive the favorable consideration of Government. The reservation of the land applied for will not affect the existing holdings within the tract, but will prevent any more waste land being given up, and will afford in perpetuity common grazing ground for the settlement and a recreation ground such as no other hill station can boast of.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

Memorandum from the Vice-President, to A. McC. WEBSTER, Esq., Acting President of the Ootacamund Municipal Commission, dated ——— 1877, No. 7.

The undersigned has the honor to forward the following extract from the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 25th October 1877 for your information.

(Signed) G. E. SCHMIDT,
Vice President,
Ootacamund Municipal Commission.

EXTRACT.

Read memorandum from Mr. Lewis McIvor suggesting that the Commissioners address Government praying that a tract of waste land west of Ootacamund be declared common land in perpetuity and so preserved to the town as pasture and recreation ground.

"The meeting cordially approve of the proposal and consider that the tract enclosed by a line from the Segur road and to Sandy Mullah, Briar Sholah, Governor Shola, and Fairlawns should be asked for, and that all land within that line except such as is reservedly private

rights should be maintained in its present condition. Resolved that an address embodying this proposal and accompanied by a map be forwarded to the Chief Secretary to Government."

TRANSFERRED to the Revenue Department.

(Signed) J. STURROCK,
Under-Secretary to Government.

No. 14.

ORDER THEREON, 4th January 1878, No. 7.

Miscellaneous.

THE Commissioner will entertain no application for private occupation of any land within the boundary specified without special and preliminary sanction of Government in each individual case, submitting at the same time his own opinion.

2. The final decision on the present proposal will be deferred for further consideration.

3. An extension of municipal limits as described on the map is not altogether or necessarily identical with a reserve of common, and it is presumed has been used in error.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Secretary to Government.

To the Commissioner of the Nilgiris.
„ the Board of Revenue.
„ the Financial Department.

Exd. T. D. Ryan.

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Proposed boundaries of the common land of the Nilgiris.—Directing the Commissioner not to entertain any application for private occupation of any land within the — without the special sanction of Government; and deferring final decision on the present proposal.



JANUARY.
Nos. 13-14.

Original
Copy of 1878: 311/10/15.
REVENUE.
To
THE COMMISSIONER OF THE
NILGIRIS,
&c., &c., &c.

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MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE,

OOTACAMUND,

1877

To
The Ag. President O.M.C.
Ootacamund

The undersigned has the honour to forward the following extract from the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 25th October 1877, for your information.

A. H. Chinn

Vice Pres. O.M.C.
Honorary Secretary,
O. M. C.

EXTRACT.

Read memo from Mr. Lewis M. Dyer, suggesting that the Commissioners address Government, praying that a tract of Waste Land west of Ootacamund, be declared common land in perpetuity and so preserved to the town as pasture & recreation.

"The meeting cordially approve of the proposal and consider that the tract enclosed by a line from the Segur road and to Sandy mulla Beniar Sholah Goven or Shola and Fairlawns should be asked for and that all land within that line except such as is reservedly private rights should be maintained in its present condition. Resolved that an address embodying this proposal and accompanied by a map be forwarded to the Chief Secretary to Government."

Proposed reservation of land

Endorsement

No. 114

Municipal Commr's Office
Ottawa 5 Dec 1877

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From.

A. W. F. Webster Esq.

Ag. President
Ottawa Municipal

To.

The Chief Secretary
to Government.

Fort Saint George.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for the Orders of Government an Extract from the Proceedings of the Municipal Commissioners of Ottawa, dated 25th October 1877, and a map showing the proposed boundaries of the Common Land.

2. The Commissioners propose that a considerable portion of the Domain lying to the west of the Town of Ottawa, which is now largely used for grazing purposes, and where most of the runs with the hounds take place, should be declared by Government ~~the~~ "Common Land," and reserved in perpetuity for grazing and recreations purposes. They think that there are more unused building sites within the Town than are ever likely to be required, and that such a sacrifice would result from the proposed recreation would be

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favorable consideration of govern-
ment. The reservation of the
land applied for will not affect
the existing holdings within the
tract, but will prevent any more
waste land being given up, and
will afford in perpetuity common
grazing ground for the Settlement
and a recreation ground, such
as our other Hill Station can boast
of.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt Servt.

J M Mearns
of President
Botanica and Municipal Council

August 1877
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 City [unclear]
 at [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

The Chief Clerk
 to [unclear]
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Revenue 1077 Septth

(9) No 5232

From.

Financial Deptth

Dated 17 }
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Cancel

Dec 7. 4 January 1878

Transferring

letter from, Ag: President
Ootacammund Municipal
Commission, forwarding
an extract from the Pro:
of the Muni^l Comm^{rs} with
a map shewing the
proposed extension of
lands

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FROM CIRCULATION
WITH
ALTERATIONS.

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Financial DEPARTMENT.

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No. 7219.

From Mayor, President, Ootacamund Municipality.

Dated 5 Dec 77.

FOR ORDERS.

I am not in favor
of the proposal to create
a perpetual waste - the
waste land of 1000 - no one
is seeking for house sites
on the side of the hill
there enough to deal with
the ^{existing} each individual
matter is submitted

12/12/77

I do not see the objection
very distinctly - I think it
should be

Recd 18 Dec 77

Letter from Mayor, President,
Ootacamund Municipal
Commission forwarding
a map showing the
proposed extension of
land.