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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

18th November 1878, No. 1,843.

Read the following paper :—

No. 196. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 15th May 1878, No. 1,319.

Read the following letter from W. R. ROBERTSON, Esq., M.R.A.C., Superintendent of Government Farms, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sydapet, 6th May 1878, No. 412 :—

WITH reference to the Board's Proceedings, Miscellaneous No. 4,299, of the 29th April last, calling for any remarks that I may have to offer regarding the design forwarded therewith for a building to afford accommodation for the Agricultural College, I have the honor to observe that, if effect is to be given to the views set forth in the Proceedings of the Board, No. 5,223, of the 15th of December last, the accommodation the building will afford will be altogether inadequate to the wants of the institution.

2. The design provides only four rooms, one measuring 40 × 25, and three each measuring 20 × 25. The house accommodation already possessed by the institution, which is admittedly insufficient, is as follows :—one room measuring 60 × 20, two rooms each measuring 30 × 20, and a room measuring 16 × 20 (with which is attached a small bath-room) appropriated to the use of the lecturers, thus :—

Square feet of floor space now provided.		Square feet of floor space provided in the design.	
	SQ. FT.		SQ. FT.
1 Lecture-room ...	60×20=1,200	1 Room ...	40×25=1,000
1 Room	20×20= 600	1 Do. ...	20×25= 500
1 Do.	30×20= 600	1 Do. ...	20×25= 500
1 Do.	16×20= 320	1 Do. ...	20×25= 500
1 Do.	... 130		
Total ...	2,850	Total ...	2,500

It would thus appear that the design would afford 350 square feet of floor space less than the institution already has.

3. If we are to admit annually a successive class of students as has been proposed, our numbers will be *doubled* this year and *trebled* next year, necessitating a corresponding increase in the accommodation over that we now have.

4. The lecture-room would be too small for our *present* wants ; at my agricultural lectures there are seldom less than fifty adults present, and the room we now use contains 200 square feet more of floor-space than the proposed lecture-room. And when there are two or three classes of students undergoing training, there will be generally two lectures, and sometimes three lectures, being delivered at one time.

5. The accommodation provided in the ground-floor of the original design is the least, in my opinion, that will suffice for the immediate wants of the institution. For easy reference I enclose a tracing of the ground-floor of that design.

6. I would point out that the smaller estimates for the new design over those of the first is due chiefly to these estimates not providing for such substantial foundations and walls, the extra cost for which might fairly be looked upon as a part of the expense for constructing the proposed upper floor.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Tracing.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

2. The Board beg to repeat the recommendation in paragraph 10 of their Proceedings, dated 13th December 1877, No. 5,223, that the plan prepared by Colonel Moberly (estimate Rupees 28,300) be put in execution at once. The revised estimate for that scheme (leaving out the large lecture room) was Rupees 17,780, but the accommodation would not be sufficient, and the present proposal provides no more. Colonel Moberly's plan would provide a building much more in keeping with the Superintendent's house already completed and laboratory in course of construction in the immediate vicinity.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) J. STURROCK,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

No. 197. ORDER THEREON, 18th November 1878, No. 1,843.

Miscellaneous.

It was determined in 1875* to erect permanent accommodation for the Agricultural School at Saidapet, and the first plan prepared provided for a lecture-room and four class-rooms, the building being also designed to admit of the addition of an upper story. It was to cost Rs. 28,300. The estimate was returned for revision, the Government agreeing with the Board that the large lecture-room might be deferred.

* G.O., 14th July 1875, No. 1,059.
" 24th November 1875, No. 1,683.
G.O., 14th February 1876, No. 208.

2. The revised estimates which provided for one large and three smaller class-rooms at a cost of Rs. 17,780 was sanctioned in 1876,† but the erection of the building postponed‡. Eventually it was decided§ to carry out the work during the current official year, the cost being calculated at Rs. 16,973 with reference to a reduction suggested by the Chief Engineer. However, on looking over the plan the Chief Engineer considered that by a little alteration the same accommodation could be provided more economically, and he sent in a pencil sketch and estimate (the latter, amounting to Rs. 10,790, showing a saving of Rs. 6,990 on the revised estimate of 1876) which having been referred by the Board for the remarks of the Superintendent, Government Farms, have elicited the report now before Government.

† G.O., 28th July 1876, No. 1,009.
‡ " 23rd January 1877, No. 333
§ " 13th February 1878, No. 218.

Board's Proceedings, 29th April 1878, Miscellaneous No. 4,299.

3. Mr. Robertson shows that the accommodation existing in the present temporary school buildings is larger than that which the proposed building will contain, and that if the arrangements advocated in Board's Proceedings, 13th December 1877, No. 5,223, are carried out, much more space will be required. He proposes, therefore, that at least the ground floor accommodation of the original design (of which he encloses a sketch) should be provided, and he points out that the chief reason of the reduction in the Chief Engineer's (pencil) estimate is the omission of substantial foundations originally provided for the (ultimate) upper story.

4. The Board's recommendation is practically the same. They refer to paragraph 10 of their Proceedings, dated 13th December last, No. 5,223, in which they urged the erection of the Agricultural School building on the original scale.

5. On reconsideration, the Government are of opinion that thoroughly good and commodious buildings should be provided for the school; and they accordingly sanction for adoption the original plan adverted to above in paragraph 1, the estimated cost being Rs. 28,300.

6. The necessary steps will now be taken in the Public Works Department for the execution of the work.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) L. A. CAMPBELL,
Under-Secretary to Government.

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

Exd. W. H. French.

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REVENUE.

To

The BOARD OF REVENUE,

&c., &c.,

Dated November 1878.

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G.O., 19th November 1878, No. 1,213.

NOVEMBER.

Nos. 196-197.

Accommodation for the Agricultural School at Saidapet.—Observing that thoroughly economical and commodious buildings should be provided for the school; sanctioning the original plan estimated to cost Rs. 28,300; and requesting the Public Works Department to take the necessary steps for the execution of the work.

Signed Copy sent to Collectorate

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No. 1,319.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 15th May 1878.

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2.- The design provides only four rooms, one measuring 40 × 25, and three each measuring 20 × 25. The house accommodation already possessed by the institution, which is admittedly insufficient, is as follows:—one room measuring 60 × 20, two rooms each measuring 30 × 20, and a room measuring 16 × 20 (with which is attached a small bath-room) appropriated to the use of the lecturers, thus:—

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5. The accommodation provided in the ground-floor of the original design is the least, in my opinion, that will suffice for the immediate wants of the institution. For easy reference I enclose a tracing of the ground-floor of that design.

6. I would point out that the smaller estimates for the new design over those of the first is due chiefly to these estimates not providing for such substantial foundations and walls, the extra cost for which might fairly be looked upon as a part of the expense for constructing the proposed upper floor.

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(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) J. STURROCK,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, with five original enclosures.
Copy to the Superintendent of Government Farms.

Encl. J. W. Fischer.

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BOARD OF REVENUE,
MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, 15TH MAY 1878, No. 1,319.

Encl.

Received

MAY.
No. 1,319.

Agricultural College.—Submitting to Government remarks of Superintendent of Government Farms regarding the design prepared in the Chief Engineer's Office for a building to afford accommodation for the —.

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Memo for Order.

An Bds Proc dated 15th May 1878 No 1319,
submitting letter from Supdt, Govt Farms
submitting observations regarding a design
prepared in Chief Engineer's office affording
increased accomodation to the Agricultural
College.

1. It was determined
in 1875 to erect permanent
accomodation for the Agri-
cultural School at Saida-
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class rooms, the building
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G.O. 16 July 1875 No 1359
" 24 Nov 1875 No 1883

G.O. 16 February 1876 No 208

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for revision the Govt
agreeing with the Board
that the large lecture
rooms might be deferred.

2. The revised Estimate
which provided for one
large and three smaller
class rooms at a cost of
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-ing postponed. Eventual- @ G.O. 23rd January 1877 No 333
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to a reduction suggested
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Bds Proc 29 April 1878 No 4299
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* Now in circulation, & are easy fast use

4. The Board's recommendation is practically the same as they refer to para 10 of their Lrs dated 13th December last No. 5223, in which they urged the erection of the Agricultural School Buildings on the original scale.

5. These proceedings are still under consideration. May the present proposal notwithstanding be sanctioned?

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Lr Sanction Board's good buildings - Ist proof of the 1st plan

4.6.78

Genl. Smith Ch. Engr. Smith thinks the Ch. Engr's special sketch will suffice but Sir J.S. states all the drawings we have asked for this purpose. We must abandon the design altogether for some years

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No 1843 1843 R.D.

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 18th November

1878

Read Proceedings
of the Board of Revenue dated
15th May 1878, No 1379.
submitting
letter from the
Superintendent, Govt
Farms, containing ob-
servations regarding
a design prepared in the
Chief Engineer's office
for affording
accommodation for the
Agricultural College

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G.O. 21 July 1875 No 1059
24 Nov. 1875 No 1683

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Bds Procs, 29 April 1878 Nos: No 4299.

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6. Owing to the action of the Govt. of India in appropriating to other purposes the Surplus Pound Fund on which the Agricultural School buildings are dependent, the sanction now accorded cannot, for the present, be acted upon; but as the want of the buildings is much felt, the Govt. resolve to invite the attention of the Govt. of India to the letter addressed to them under date 4 Septr. 1878, No 1425, and to solicit early orders thereon

14 Ltr. Bd. and Dy Rec. 22 No.
21 Ltr. B.W. Dept.

6. No necessary steps will now be taken in the Public Works Department for the execution of the work.

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Note. Though no reply has been received to Revenue letter to G. of I. dy 4 Sept. 1878 No 1425 it is understood from correspondence in the Financial Dept. that Pound funds will be available & therefore it is submitted that this Dept. may proceed with

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Agricultural School
Buildings

Nos 196 197

~~MISCELLANEOUS~~ No. 1843

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated 15 May 1878.

Read the following

№ 412.

FROM W. R. Robertson Esqre M. R. A. C.
Superintendent Government Farms

TO C. A. Galton Esqre
Actg. Secretary Board of Revenue
Madras.

SIR,

With reference to the Board's Proceedings this № 4299 of the 29th of April last, calling for any remarks that I may have to offer, regarding the design forwarded therewith, for a building to afford accommodation for the Agricultural College, I have the honor to observe, that if effect is to be given to the views set forth in the Proceedings of the Board № 5223 of the 13th of December last, the accommodation the building will afford, will be altogether inadequate to the wants of the institution.

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1 Room	30×20 =	600	1 Room, 20×25 =	500
1 Room	30×20 =	600	1 Room, 20×25 =	500
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1 Room		180		
	Total	2850	Total	2500

It would thus appear that the design would afford 350 Sq. ft. of floor-space less, than the institution already has.

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Govt Farms Office
Sydapet 6 May 1878.

I have &c
(Sd) W. R. Robertson

Submitted for the orders of Government.

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Col. Moberly's plan would provide a building much more in keeping with the Supts' house already completed & laboratory in course of construction in the immediate vicinity.

True Copy & Extract
J Sturrock
Asst Secretary

To The Secretary to Government R.D
with 5 Enclosures

Revenue 1878 Sept

No. 2107

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD
OF REVENUE.

Ed
SOO. 1845. 18 November

Dated 15 } May 1878
Despatched 17 } 1878

SUBJECT. Encls. 5.
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Submitts. for the orders of Govt. Letter from Supdt. Govt. Farms submitting observations regarding a design prepared in the Ch. Engrs. office for a Govt. house Accommodation to the Agrl. College

C 18 Aug for R. 18/11/78.
C 1 Encl 178.
R. 6
RC 14-8-78
R 19-8-78.