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READ again—

G.O., dated 23rd April 1885, No. 959 W., Public Works.

Read—also the following papers:—

From the President, Madras Municipal Commission, dated 20th May 1885, No. 132.			
Do.	Consulting Architect to Government	"	26th " " " 274.
Do.	do.	"	4th Aug. " " 694.
Do.	do.	"	2nd Sept. " " 835.
Do.	do.	"	17th " " 906.
Do.	President, Madras Municipal Commission,	"	29th " " 844.
Do.	Deputy Sanitary Commissioner	"	5th Dec. " " 1151.
Do.	Deputy Surgeon-General G. BIDIE, M.D., C.I.E., Sanitary Commissioner, dated 11th January 1886.		

ORDER—dated 25th January 1886, No. 211 W., Public Works.

In their proceedings, dated 23rd April 1885, No. 959 W., the Government sanctioned certain proposals made by the Consulting Architect for acquiring the site of the fishing village to the south of the presidency college, and transferring the village to a new site, west of the canal, at present rented by the Madras Municipality from the dharmakartas of the Sri Parthasarathi Swami temple in Triplicane.

2. After those proposals had received approval, the President of the Municipality drew attention to two objections thereto. First, that the site to which it is proposed to remove the fishermen formed part of a municipal sewage farm, and that, in the event of that part of the farm being taken for the village, the disposal of the sewage would involve difficulty and expense; second, that the location of the village on the site of an old sewage farm seemed objectionable on sanitary grounds.

3. Subsequent to the receipt of Mr. Mackenzie's letter detailing these objections, the question of an alternative site for the fishing village was fully investigated. Several suggestions were brought forward, but to each there appeared to be insuperable objections; and Lieutenant-Colonel Morant's original proposal was apparently the only practicable way out of the difficulty.

4. In order to investigate the objections raised by the President of the Municipality, the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, reports that he met the President and the Vice President of the Municipality at the proposed site in November 1885, when the whole question was fully considered. It was ascertained that the area now available for the Triplicane sewage farm is inadequate for the disposal of the sewage which is now conveyed there; that a considerable quantity of that sewage now escapes into the canal, and that additional and more complete arrangements for the utilisation of the sewage are absolutely necessary. This being so, the Government are of opinion that the only available course is the construction of a covered drain, to lead the surplus sewage to the Kistnamapett farm (about half-a-mile south of the Triplicane farm), where there is a considerable area of land available for the reception and disposal of sewage.

5. The construction of this covered drain will remove the first of the objections urged by Mr. Mackenzie against the establishment of the fishing village on the site recommended by Lieutenant-Colonel Morant, inasmuch as the area available at Kistnamapett is sufficiently large to allow of the surrender by the municipality of the site required for the village.

6. The second objection, on sanitary grounds, to the establishment of the village on a site which has been used for purposes of a sewage farm, has been referred to the Sanitary Commissioner, who is of opinion that there are no objections to the measure from a sanitary point of view, provided that the site be raised with sand, as contemplated by the Public Works Department, and that the sewage be diverted in the manner indicated in paragraph 4 of this order.

7. On full reconsideration of the subject, the Government resolve that the orders already issued in G.O., No. 959 W., dated 23rd April 1885, shall stand; and that the municipality be directed, in the Financial Department, to take immediate measures to prevent the further fouling of the canal by the escape into it of sewage from the municipal drains; and with that object to construct without delay a covered drain for the purpose of conducting the sewage from the Triplicane siphon well to their farm at Kistnamapett.

8. A sum of Rs. 26,500 has been provided in the Provincial budget for 1886-87 to meet the estimated expenditure connected with the removal of the fishing village, and the Consulting Architect will at once make the necessary preliminary arrangements for the acquisition of the site on the beach. With respect to the covered drain to be constructed by the municipality, the Government will be willing to contribute from Provincial funds one-half the cost, to admit of the work being completed with the least practicable delay. On the municipality reporting what sum can be spent before 31st March 1886, an allotment of funds will at once be made as an advance towards the Government contribution.

9. The present open drain, which intersects the sewage farm, should be converted into a covered drain leading to the siphon well by a new line skirting the site of the proposed village. This work should be undertaken first, and its cost may be included in the total amount to be shared by the Government and the municipality.

(True Extract.)

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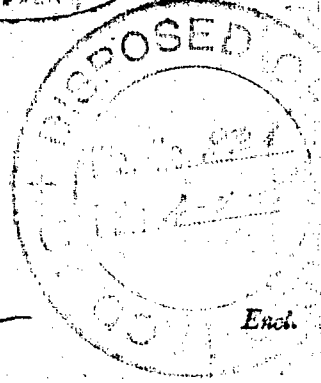
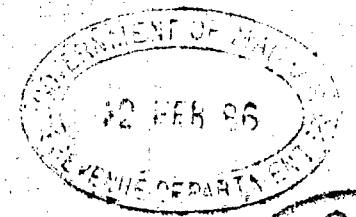
To the Consulting Architect to Government.
" Superintending Engineer, V Circle.
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
" Financial Department.
" Revenue do. ✓

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Dated January, 25th.

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G.O., 25th Jan. 1886, No. 211 W.

JANUARY.

Fishing Village to the South of
the Presidency College

Orders on the subject of acquiring the
site of the — and for the transfer of the
village to a new site west of the canal.

Order
Command to the Board
of Revenue.

With a view of the...