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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 18th January 1861.

No. 248. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 20th December 1860, No. 5,984 :—

Read the following letter from E. G. R. FANE, Esq., Collector of Vizagapatam, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George, dated Vizianagrum, 16th November 1860, No. 1,204.

SIR,

1. In answer to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th September 1860, No. 4,256, paragraph 3, I have the honor to forward herewith an Extract of a letter received from Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co., regarding the house now occupied by the Húzur Kacheri at this place.

2. As the Executors are unwilling to grant a lease of the house, it would perhaps for the present be advisable to let the whole question of enlarging the present, or building a new Kacheri, remain in abeyance.

3. Hereafter one or two contingencies as hereunder may occur, and one of them might be taken advantage of, and the Kacheri then removed. It is proposed, amongst other things, to station the Sepoy Regiments in the Cantonment of Waltair instead of at Vizagapatam; their place of arms, hospital, &c., all contiguous to the Treasury, might, with some expense, be converted into a Kacheri. If the central Jail is built, as proposed by Mr. Rohde, outside Vizagapatam and nearer Waltair, the Civil Court and Jail in the centre of the town will become available, and would make a most admirable Kacheri without any alteration.

4. Neither of the above contingencies are likely, however, to occur for some years. But if the Board or Government are anxious to at once avoid the monthly payment for the present Kacheri, and to have the Treasury office and records together, I shall in a separate communication propose exchanging certain Government buildings, such as the Treasury and what was formerly the Kacheri for the Civil Dispensary, built partly by contribution and partly by Government, but much too large for the purposes it was built for. The exchange would be agreeable to the people, as the present building is considered too exposed and the buildings I would give them are exactly to their taste for an Hospital, as they are private and retired, and have a fine large tree and a large pond for ablutions, &c., which could be included in the walled compound that would have to be made.

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1. Submitted for the information of Government, with reference to paragraph 3 of the Board's Proceedings, dated 19th September 1860, No. 4,256, and the Orders thereon, dated 11th October 1860, No. 1,841.

In Cons. 12th October 1860, *No.* 5,178.

2. The Board concur in the Collector's opinion, that as the Executors of the Estate to which the building now occupied as the Húzur Kacheri belongs, are unwilling to grant a lease of the house, the question of enlarging it, or building a new Kacheri, may for the present be left in abeyance, as there is no immediate necessity for change, and circumstances may arise to modify extensively what in the existing state of things appears desirable.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W HUDLESTON, *Acting Secretary.*

No. 249. ORDER THEREON, 18th January 1861, No. 125.

The Government agree in the opinion expressed in paragraph 2 of these Proceedings. The question of enlarging the building now occupied as the Húzur Kacheri at Vizagapatam or erecting a new Kacheri will accordingly be left in abeyance for the present.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,

Secretary to Government.

No. 5,984.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 20th December 1860.

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1. In answer to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th September 1860, No. 4,256, paragraph 3, I have the honor to forward herewith an Extract of a letter received from Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co., regarding the house now occupied by the Huzoor Cutcherry at this place.

2. As the Executors are unwilling to grant a lease of the house, it would perhaps for the present be advisable to let the whole question of enlarging the present, or building a new Cutcherry, remain in abeyance.

3. Hereafter one of two contingencies as hereunder may occur, and one of them might be taken advantage of, and the Cutcherry then removed. It is proposed amongst other things to station the Sepoy regiments in the Cantonment of Waltair instead of at Vizagapatam ; their place of arms, hospital, &c., all contiguous to the Treasury, might, with some expense, be converted into a Cutcherry. If the central Jail is built, as proposed by Mr. Rohde, outside Vizagapatam and nearer Waltair, the Civil Court and Jail in the centre of the Town will become available, and would make a most admirable Cutcherry without any alteration.

4. Neither of the above contingencies are likely, however, to occur for some years. But if the Board or Government are anxious to at once avoid the monthly payment for the present Cutcherry, and to have the Treasury office and records together, I shall in a separate communication propose exchanging certain Government buildings, such as the Treasury and what was formerly the Cutcherry for the Civil Dispensary, built partly by contribution and partly by Government, but much too large for the purposes it was built for. The exchange would be agreeable to the people, as the present building is considered too exposed and the buildings I would give them are exactly to their taste for an Hospital, as they are private and retired, and have a fine large tree and a large pond for ablutions, &c., which could be included in the walled compound that would have to be made.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

W. Budgen

Acting Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to E. G. R. Fane, Esq., Collector of Vizagapatam.

Exd. J. Wright.

Fort St. Geo.
Public Department
Consultation of 20th January 1861
No. 3088.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 20 Dec.r 22 Received 24 December 1860
Entered 31 Dec.r
No. 5984

Submitting with the Board's remarks a letter from the Coll.r of Vizagapatam reporting that the Executors of the Estate to which the building now occupied as the Huzur Cutcherry belongs are unwilling to grant a lease of the House.

From the Bd. of Rev.e 22 March 60
No. 175. 18th January.

With an Order

No. 248 & 249.

Dated 31 Dec.r 60

The Government agree in the opinion expressed in para 2 of these Proceedings. The question of enlarging the building now occupied as the Huzur Kachéri at Vizagapatam on erecting a new Kachéri will accordingly be left in abeyance for the present.

Fort St. Geo.
18th Jan.y 1861

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