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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 575	Press ~~Mis.~~
145. 146	
Dated 8 — 3 — 1867.	

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No. 145. Read the following letter from the Magistrate of North Arcot, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Chittoor, 27th February 1867, No. 12:—

1. I have the honor, with reference to the Order of Government dated 14th January 1867, No. 110, Revenue Department, to report that there is only one room in the Taluk Cutcherry at Wandawash available for the custody of prisoners, and that this is used both as a Subsidiary Jail and Lock-up. The superficial dimensions of this room are 15 × 9 feet. As it is obviously desirable that "under trial" prisoners should be kept separate from "short sentenced" prisoners, and the existing accommodation is in all respects defective, it is proposed, by an adaptation of a part of one side of the present Cutcherry, to provide four new wards, marked B, C, D, E, for the detention of prisoners of both classes, male and female. By some further trifling alterations at point marked E in plan, a sitting room for the Tahsildar is likewise secured.

2. The proposed shed is to take the place of a thatched pandal in front of the Taluk Cutcherry, and is intended for the accommodation of the suitors and village officials who have to attend before the Tahsildar or Sub-Magistrate.

3. From the Statement submitted with my letter of the 21st November last, No. 75, the Government will find that the average number of prisoners confined daily in the Subsidiary Jail and Lock-up at Wandawash, was two in June, seven in July, one in August, and two in September. The statistics do not shew how many of these were males and how many females.

4. I know the Wandawash Cutcherry well, and concur with the Superintending Engineer and Joint Magistrate, that the additions and modifications in the original building provided for in the plan are most desirable. I should mention, that since the present Cutcherry was built, the area of the taluk was largely extended during the re-distribution of boundaries which took place some years ago.

No. 146. Miscellaneous. ORDER THEREON, 8th March 1867, No. 575.

1. The additions and alterations proposed are approved, but ventilators should be placed in the wards.

2. Orders will be issued in the Department Public Works for the execution of the work when funds are available

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Department Public Works.
" the Revenue Board.
" the Collector of North Arcot.

Ex. S. T. Augustin.

Rec: 18th Sept. 1867
Ans: 24th Sept. 588.

Thos. Hamilton Esq.
Fiji

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to transmit to you the accompanying Petition addressed to Her Majesty by Mr. Smith and Mr. Pratt, praying that the Islands of Fiji may be annexed to Her Majesty's Dominions.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
[illegible]

Petition of Mr. Smith & Mr. Pratt praying that the Islands of Fiji may be annexed to Her Majesty's Dominions.

Enclosure in Mr. Pratt's Letter of 5th March 67.

Received 27 Sept. 1867

No. 576.

The additions & alterations proposed are allowed - but no stamp duties will be payable in the case.

Intimation to be made to Mr. Pratt that the Petition will be duly considered when received.

H. T. W. 30 Sept.

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