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(A true Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 168. ORDER THEREON, 21st May 1861, No. 1,061.

The Title Deeds received with these Proceedings, will be sealed and returned.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

IN CONS. 3RD APRIL 1861, No. 2,022.

From J. SILVER, Esq., Collector of TINNEVELLY,
dated Tuticorin, 23rd March 1861, No. 141.

With reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, under date the 27th ultimo, No. 1,068, I have the honor to forward draft title deeds in the Forms B and D prescribed by Government, and to inform the Board that as the lands entered in the Form D are exhibited in the Ayacut account as "Grama Nattam" or village site, and are occupied by buildings, Dr. Caldwell holds them rent free.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

No. 3,077.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 4th July 1860.

Read the following letter from Reverend R. CALDWELL, L. L. D., to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George; dated Edeyenkoody, Palamcottah, 25th June 1860:—

In accordance with the Order of Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th August 1859, No. 1,053, I have the honor to request that you will be so good as to submit to the Honorable the Governor in Council, the application which I beg to make herewith for the redemption of the land tax and the purchase thereby of the fee-simple of the lands in my possession hereinafter specified, which are now occupied wholly or in part by buildings.

The lands referred to are wholly situated in the Collectorate of Tinnevelly and constitute three distinct properties.

The following is the specification of each:

I. The lands comprised in the Mission station and village of Edeyenkoody. These consist of four contiguous pieces of ground, one of which is situated in the gramam of முதுமற்றமொழி, Taluq of Vullyur, the other three in the gramam of குட்டம், Panjamahl Taluq.

(1.) A piece of ground called பச்சைப்பேரன்விளை, No. 324, gramam of முதுமற்றமொழி, Vullyur Taluq.

Boundaries—

EAST.—Fields No. 542, called வாக்காப்பணிக்கன்விளை, and No. 587, called தேவஸ்தானக்கூடல், both in the gramam of குட்டம், Panjamahl Taluq.

SOUTH.—Field No. 544, called பணிக்கன்விளை, gramam of குட்டம்.

WEST.—Fields No. 547, called செக்கடிக்காணியாளன்தட்டு, and No. 549, called பெட்டைக்குளத்தான்தட்டு, குப்பையடித்தட்டு, and இடையன்விளை gramam of குட்டம்.

NORTH.—Fields No. 560, called உலகுடையான்தட்டு, and No. 584, called கோவிலடித் தோட்டம், gramam of குட்டம்

Extent.—Five chains.

Of these five chains the Assessment on palmyras and other trees paid, or liable to be paid, for three chains and three-eighths was remitted in 1845, in consequence of the land being built over by the village of Edeyenkoody, the inhabitants of which hold from me as tenants.

The Tree Assessment due on the remaining one chain and five-eighths, which constitute the bungalow compound, was also remitted in 1845, but the ordinary Assessment called தரப்படி புன்செய்தீர்வை, determined by the quality of the soil, has since then been paid thereupon instead. This Assessment amounts to Annas 8 per annum.

(2.) A piece of ground called வாக்காப்பணிக்கன்விளை, No. 542, குட்டம் gramam, Panjamahl Taluk.

Boundaries—

EAST.—Fields No. 535, called இடைகாட்டுவிளை, and No. 541 ஈச்சன்விளை, gramam of குட்டம்.

SOUTH.—Field No. 334, called கொப்புளான்விளை in முதுமற்றமொழி gramam.

WEST.—Fields No. 544, called பணிக்கன்விளை in the gramam of குட்டம், and No. 324, called பச்சைப்பேரன்விளை in முதுமற்றமொழி gramam.

NORTH.—Fields No. 587, called தேவஸ்தானங்கூடல் and No. 588, also called by the same name, both in குட்டம் gramam.

Extent.—Five chains and thirteen-sixteenths.

The Palmyra Assessment payable for this piece of land was remitted in 1848, in consideration of the two Boarding School Establishments erected thereon, and the unvarying Assessment of தரப்படி புன்செய்தீர்வை has since then been levied instead. This Assessment amounts to Rupee 1-12-9 per annum.

(3.) A piece of ground called தேவஸ்தானங்கூடல், No. 587, குட்டம் gramam, Panjamahl Taluq.

Boundaries—

EAST.—Fields No. 540, called ஆவணப்பிள்ளை இடைச்சிவிளை, and No. 588, called also தேவஸ்தானங்கூடல், both in the குட்டம் gramam.
SOUTH.—Field No. 542, called வாக்காப்பணிக்கன்விளை gramam of குட்டம்.
WEST.—Field No. 324, called பச்சைப்பேரன்விளை in முதுமற்றமொழி gramam.
NORTH.—Field No. 586, called also தேவஸ்தானங்கூடல், குட்டம் gramam.
Extent.—Nine-sixteenths of a chain.

The Palmyra Assessment payable for this piece of land was remitted in 1853, in consideration of the buildings erected thereon, and the usual தரப்படிபுன்செய்த்தீர்வை has since then been levied instead. This amounts to Annas 2-10 per annum.

(4.) A piece of ground called உலகுடையான்தட்டு, No. 560, குட்டம் gramam, Panjamahl Taluq.

Boundaries—

EAST.—Field No. 584, called கோவிலடித்தோட்டம், குட்டம் gramam.
SOUTH.—Field No. 324, called பச்சைப்பேரன்விளை, முதுமற்றமொழி gramam.
WEST.—Field No. 558, called பால்குளத்தான்துண்டம், குட்டம் gramam.
NORTH.—Field No. 561, called பொதுவடலி.
Extent.—Twenty-one thirty seconds of a chain.

The palmyra and other Assessments liable to be paid on this piece of ground were remitted, without substitute, in 1857 in consideration of its forming in part the site of the village of Edeyenkoody.

The four pieces of ground specified above, form one contiguous property, more or less covered with buildings, including three Bungalows, two Churches, two Boarding School Establishments, two Day Schools and the houses inhabited by the people of the village, who number 660 souls. The entire extent appears to be 12 chains and $\frac{1}{32}$ of a chain, and the total amount of தரப்படிபுன்செய் Assessment levied thereon, in accordance with the quality of the soil in the neighbourhood, is Rupees 2-6-11 per annum.

II. The second property for which I beg to apply comprises the Mission village of Tanjapuram, குட்டம் gramam, Panjamahl Taluq, and consists of a single piece of land; the specification of which is as follows :—

The field called குறக்கடித்தட்டு No. 687, குட்டம் gramam, Panjamahl Taluq.

Boundaries—

EAST.—Fields No. 712, called றைச்சேரிவிளைப, and No. 713, called கோவில்விளை.
SOUTH.—Fields No. 686, called சுடுகாட்டுவிளை, and No. 685, called சவளக்காரன்விளை.
WEST.—Fields No. 688, called ரூக்குட்டிவிளை, and No. 689, சின்னண்மகன்வகையராத்தட்டு in four portions.
NORTH.—Field No. 692, called வேப்பங்காட்டுவிளை.
All the above are in the gramam of குட்டம்.
Extent.—One chain and five-eighths.

On five-eighths of a chain the assessment on palmyras and other trees was remitted, without a substitute in 1857, in consideration of the buildings belonging to the Mission village of Tanjapuram erected thereon. There are no trees liable to be assessed in the remaining portion of one chain, but the ordinary தரப்படிபுன்செய்த்தீர்வை has always been levied thereon. This amounts to Annas 5 per annum.

III. The third property for which I beg to make application is connected with a sea-side Bungalow belonging to me at a place called Ilanjunei, in the gramam of குட்டம், Panjamahl Taluq. The specification of this piece of land is as follows :—

Field No. 857, called பிட்சன்முஹிப்பு gramam of குட்டம், Panjamahl Taluq.

Boundaries—

EAST.—Field No. 855, called இடைக்காட்விளை.
SOUTH.—Field No. 858, called பிட்சன்முஹிப்பு.
WEST.—The said field No. 858.
NORTH.—Field No. 557, called பிட்சன்முஹிப்பு.
All the above are in the same gramam of குட்டம்.
Extent.—One chain and a half.

There are no trees liable to Assessment in this piece of land, but the ordinary தரப்படிபுன்செய்த்தீர்வை is levied thereon. This amounts to Annas 7-6 per annum.

I beg to state that the first two properties referred to above belong in reality to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, but that my name is registered as sole proprietor and occupier of each of the three properties.

Resolved that the above application be forwarded to the Collector of Tinnevelly, for disposal in the regular course.

2. Mr. Silver will observe that part of the lands are said to be the property of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. Before these can be enfranchised, it is necessary that Mr. Caldwell should produce the written authority of the Society.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary.

To J. Silver, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly.

Copy to Reverend R. Caldwell, L. L. D.

Exd. J. Wright.

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Enclosure 2 in Proceedings of the Board of Revenue to the Secretary to Govt. R. D. dated 2d May 1861. No. 2236.

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue No 5 on Rev. R. Caldwell dated 4th July 1860. No. 3077 - regarding certain Title Deeds.

No. 1,068.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 27th February 1861.

Read the following letter from J. SILVER, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George, dated Trichendoor, 5th February 1861, No. 63 :—

1. With reference to the Board's Proceedings, under date the 4th July 1860, upon an application made by the Reverend R. Caldwell for the redemption of the land tax, and the purchase of the fee simple, of the lands in his possession, now occupied wholly or in part by buildings, I have the honor to forward copies of correspondence between that gentleman and myself, from which it will be seen that he is the proper party to apply for the enfranchisement of the property in question, and that the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel cannot grant any written authority for the purpose.

2. The tax for 20 years on the said lands amounts to Rupees 85-8-4, and as Doctor Caldwell has paid this sum into my Treasury, and as the property referred to falls under the 2d and 3d Clauses of paragraph 4 of the Proceedings of Government, dated the 5th August 1859, No. 1,053, I have the honor to forward two statements prepared according to Forms B and D subjoined to the above Proceedings, and request that the Board will be pleased to obtain the necessary Title Deeds and forward them to me for delivery to Doctor Caldwell.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From J. SILVER, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly, to Reverend R. CALDWELL, Edyengoody, dated Tencausey, 23d August 1860, No. 619.

With reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 4th July 1860, No. 3,077, on the subject of your application for the redemption of the land tax and the purchase of the freehold of the lands in your possession, I request that you will send a duly authorized Vakil to attend at my Cutcherry with the written authority of the Society in order that your application may be disposed of in the regular course.

From Reverend R. CALDWELL, to J. SILVER, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly, dated Edyengoody, 30th August 1860.

1. With reference to your letter of the 23d instant, requesting me to send you, with a duly authorized Vakil, "the written authority of the Society" to take the necessary steps for the redemption of the land tax and the purchase of the freehold of the lands in my possession, I beg to explain that the lands in question, though belonging to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, do not stand in the Society's name, but in my own, being registered as belonging "to the "Reverend R. Caldwell, Missionary of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel."

2. In the event of my obtaining the freehold of these lands, it is my intention to make over the freehold in a legal manner to the Society, which is an incorporated body.

3. Such being the state of the case, I venture to submit that it appears to be competent to me, as the original purchaser and present holder of the lands, to make the application in question and to authorize my Vakil to appear before you, whilst the Society, as such, not being formally in possession of the lands, does not appear to be in a position to give me a written authorization.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) J. SILVER, *Collector.*

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—Form B.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Form D.

1. Resolved that the Secretary of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts be requested to inform the Board whether the Society has any claim to the lands in question.

2. The Collector will meanwhile forward draft Title Deeds in the forms prescribed by Government, printed copies of which he has already received.

3. With regard to the lands entered in Enclosure D of the Collector's letter, information is necessary as to Dr. Caldwell's title to hold them rent free.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary.

To Rev. A. R. Symonds, M. A., Secretary to the Society
for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts.

Copy to J. Silver, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly.

Txd. J. Wright.

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Proceedings of the
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regarding certain Title Deeds.

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In Cons. 3rd April 1861, No. 2,009.

From Rev. A. R. SYMONDS, Secretary M. D. C. S. P. G. F. P.
dated Madras, 1st April 1861, No. 137.

In reply to your communication of 27th February 1861, I have the honor to state that the lands in question were purchased by the Rev. Dr. Caldwell as a Missionary of the Incorporated Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, and so virtually belong to the Society. As, however, the title deeds stand in his name, it seemed the more direct course that he should apply for the fee simple, and then that he should transfer them formally to the Society. Dr. Caldwell made his application to the Collector after communication with me. It is proposed to adopt a similar course in regard to lands in other Missions.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

No. 2,236.

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(A true Extract.)

Secretary.

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

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„ to Rev. Dr. Caldwell.
„ to Rev. A. R. Symonds.

Exd. J. Wright.

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No 1061. 21st May
With an Order

No 1061.

The title deeds receive
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and returned.

Fort St Geo:
21st May 1861

To Bd of Revn with two Title Deeds & 3 Recds
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