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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 29th September 1862.

No. 512. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department, dated 20th September 1862, No. 2,043 :—

Communicating Home Despatch expressing satisfaction at the readiness displayed by the Officers of the Madras Government in affording the Commissioners appointed by Bombay Government such assistance and information as they required. } (Vide Revenue Proceedings, 20th September 1862, Nos. 389-390.)

No. 513. ORDER THEREON, 29th September 1862, No. 2,330.

Communicated to the Acting Deputy Chief Engineer, Central Circle, who will be good enough to attend to the orders contained in paragraph 2 of the Secretary of State's Despatch.

(Signed) W. I. BIRDWOOD, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following Despatch from the Right Honorable Sir C. WOOD, Bart., Secretary of State for India (Revenue), to His Excellency the Honorable the Governor in Council, Fort Saint George, dated India Office, London, 14th August 1862, No. 33.

SIR,

1. I forward herewith, for the information of your Excellency in Council, copy of a Despatch* which I have this day addressed to the Government of Bombay, relative to the Report of Colonel Turner and Mr. Hope on North Canara, and to the Resolution of that Government thereon.

* No. 25.

2. I have to request that you will cause to be communicated to the Officers concerned the expression of my satisfaction at the readiness universally displayed by them in facilitating the progress of the Commissioners appointed by the Bombay Government, and in affording them such assistance and information as they required, as noticed in paragraph 3 of that Despatch.

From the Right Honorable Sir C. WOOD, Bart., Secretary of State for India (Revenue), to His Excellency the Honorable the Governor in Council, Bombay, dated India Office, London, 14th August 1862, No. 25.

SIR,

1. I have considered in Council the letter from your Secretary dated the 27th March last, No. 9, with which is forwarded a Report by Colonel Turner and Mr. Hope on North Canara, together with your Resolution thereon.

2. So much of this Report as relates to the Kygah Pass Road has been already noticed in my Despatch in the Public Works Department, dated the 31st May last (No. 9).

3. I observe with satisfaction the readiness universally displayed by the Officers of the Madras Government in every Department in facilitating the progress of your Commissioners and affording them such information and assistance as they required, and I notice also in Mr. Hope's Memorandum the gratifying intimation that considerable progress had been made in providing North Canara with a good system of roads; that considerable attention had been paid to regulating the system of accounts; that the revenue was on the increase; that outstanding balances were rare except in cases of family disputes; and that coercive measures for their recovery were seldom resorted to.

4. A former Collector, Mr. Blanc, pointed out in an elaborate report the inconvenience of the present assessment founded on averages of collections and was of opinion that a survey of the most complete and detailed description was the only remedy. The present Collector, Mr. Fisher, is also of opinion that the introduction of the Bombay Survey is very desirable as a remedy for acknowledged evils and sees no reason for its being postponed. With respect to the apprehensions entertained on the ground of the unpopularity of a new survey which would appear formerly to have had some weight with the Madras authorities. Mr. Blane distinctly states in the report referred to that such doubts should not be allowed to interfere with a measure so politic, just and advantageous both to the Government and the people themselves, concurring in the views of these experienced Officers, and in the Resolution of your Government to commence the survey operations at an early period. Her Majesty's Government relies on the exercise of caution in dealing with the interests of a population so lately placed under your care, and the avoidance of any appearance of precipitancy in your proceedings.

5. The right of the Government over the waste land appears to be at present in an indeterminate position; but this question will doubtless be set at rest on the introduction of the survey.

6. You will inform me, hereafter, of the measures which you may adopt for the conservancy of the forests which appear to be particularly extensive and valuable in this district.

ORDER THEREON, 20th September 1862, No. 2,043.

Ordered to be communicated together with the enclosure to the Public Works Department and Board of Revenue. The Board will attend to the requisition of the Secretary of State in paragraph 2.

(True Extract.)

Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department.
„ Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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