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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 18th January 1862.

No. 144. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 17th December 1861, No. 7,069.

Read the following letter from J. D. ROBINSON, Esq., Collector of North Arcot, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Chepauk, dated Chittoor, 9th December 1861, No. 303:—

SIR,

1. The Board may probably remember that in the case of pure Muhturfa villages in this District, the servants are remunerated by money allowances. These allowances are regulated in this wise. Five per cent. of the Muhturfa collections is divided into 12 equal shares, of which the two which would fall to Totis, &c., are credited to Government, as these classes are provided with Ináms; and the remaining ten shares are equally divided between the Moniagar and Curnum who have no emolument in land or fees.

2. Such is the practice in the villages of Wallajapet, Ranipet, Vellore, and which obtains, though modified in cases to meet some local peculiarity, in other villages of this description.

3. By Act XVIII of 1861, the Muhturfa tax was abolished from 1st August last, and any special agency for its collection ceased to exist.

4. The same Act authorizes the payment of a commission not exceeding 3 per cent. on the amount collected to the person collecting the duty and keeping the account; and this commission the Board have in paragraph 12 of their Circular, Standing, No. 5,107, dated 20th September 1861, declared to be immediately available in the case of Zamíndári villages, observing that, if in any other special locality it is considered desirable to grant it in whole or in part, a proposal should be submitted to them. Such a special case is that of the villages under notice, which having no regular Establishment of their own, must now be provided with an agency for the preparation of the lists prescribed in the Circular just quoted. As it is very desirable that these lists should at once be put in hand, I beg to solicit the Board's permission to entertain at once special agents, who will of course only be entitled to commission on the amount of duty actually collected by them.

Under the circumstances stated, the Board authorize the retention in the cases mentioned by the Collector of the 3 per cent. commission on the collections of the Trades duty, for the remuneration of the Village Officers employed in its collection and in preparing the lists and keeping the accounts connected with it as provided by the Act.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 145. ORDER THEREON, 18th January 1862, No. 72.

Ordered to be recorded.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,

Deputy Secretary to Government.

No. 7,069.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

Secretary.

To J. D. Robinson, Esq., Collector of North Arcot.

Copy to J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D., for information.

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