

8TH JUNE 1886, No. 442, REVENUE.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 16th March 1886, Mis. No. 2000 :—

Read—the following letter from L. R. BURROWS, Esq., Collector of Nilgiris, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 19th February 1886, No. 45, and reference thereon, dated 25th February 1886 :—

With reference to Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 11089, dated 15th December last, I have the honor to submit that the $3\frac{1}{4}$ acres of land recommended for grant to Mr. Cowdell, lie near "Snowdon house" and are quite distinct from the land lately claimed by Mr. Cowdell near St. Stephen's church.

The Collector is requested to furnish the Board with a colored sketch showing clearly the situation of the land, the grant of which to Mr. Cowdell was previously refused, and also of that the assignment of which as a settlement grant the Collector now recommends.

(Signed) C. F. MACCARTIE,
Acting Secretary.

Read—also the following letter from L. R. BURROWS, Esq., Collector of Nilgiris, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 2nd March 1886, No. 58 :—

With reference to Board's reference, dated 25th ultimo, on General Register No. 821, I have the honor to enclose two sheets of the Ootacamund settlement map (to be returned).

2. On sheet IV, square IV, is marked in blue pencil the land adjoining St. Stephen's church on the east, to which Mr. Cowdell preferred claims of ownership, which was repudiated in the correspondence ending with Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 1247, dated 9th February 1885. Mr. Cowdell has since surrendered this land to Government and no application for the grant of it to Mr. Cowdell or any one else was ever made to the Board and refused.

3. On sheet IV, square III, is marked in red pencil the piece of land near Snowdon house about $3\frac{1}{4}$ acres in extent, the grant or sale of which was recommended in this office letter No. 307, dated 3rd December 1885.

Resolution—dated 16th March 1886, Mis. No. 2000.

Forwarded for the orders of Government with reference to G.O., dated 18th January 1884, No. 86, Revenue.

2. The land now applied for by Mr. Cowdell cannot be granted under the settlement rules as the application for the settlement grant had not been put forward and registered prior to the date of the above-quoted Government order.

3. The question whether the land shall be sold under the waste land rules has now to be decided.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) C. F. MacCARTIE,
Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with two maps and one enclosure in G.R. No. 6583
of 1885 to be returned, and copy of Board's Proceedings,
dated 15th December 1885, Mis. No. 11089.

Copy to the Collector of Nilgiris.

ENCLOSURE.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 15th December 1885, Mis. 11089.

Read—letter from L. R. BURROWS, Esq., Collector of Nilgiris, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 1st December 1885, No. 307.

I have the honor to forward a tracing of a portion of C-99 in the Ootacamund settlement measuring about 3½ acres Government waste, which Mr. A. S. Cowdell is desirous of obtaining as it adjoins his property.

2. I see no objection to Mr. Cowdell being allowed this portion as a settlement grant at Rs. 2 per acre. I beg to refer to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 9th February 1885, Mis. No. 1247, and to report that Mr. Cowdell has given up the land in dispute. The Executive Engineer to whom a reference has been made as to whether the land applied for by Mr. Cowdell is required for any public purposes reports that it will not be required in connection with the proposed water-works extension scheme, but that a space of about 15 feet adjoining the Snowdon road may be so required. If the Government are pleased to sanction the transfer of this land to Mr. Cowdell as a settlement grant at Rs. 2 per acre, I recommend that it be given conditionally on his allowing any small portion of his present property adjoining the road which may be required for laying the main pipe, to be taken by Government without compensation.

3. If the Government, however, are not disposed to give the land as a settlement grant, I request orders under G.O., dated 18th January 1884, No. 86, Revenue, as to whether I may have the land put up under the waste land rules. In the latter case the assessment will be only 8 annas an acre. I think the former alternative will be the most profitable to Government, as it is unlikely that there will be any very keen competition for the land at auction.

Resolution—dated 15th December 1885, Mis. No. 11089.

Mr. Cowdell's present application is manifestly merely an alternative mode of acquiring land, the possession of which has been very lately decidedly refused to him. The Board decline to recommend its grant to the petitioner.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) C. F. MacCARTIE,
Acting Secretary.

To the Collector of Nilgiris.

READ—also the following letter from L. R. BURROWS, Esq., Collector of Nilgiris, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Ootacamund, 12th May 1886, No. 27:—

With reference to your demi-official forwarding a section of the survey plan of Ootacamund for the purpose of having the proposed pipe-track of the projected Ootacamund water-works laid upon it, I have the honor to return the plan with the required addition, and also a copy of a letter from the Executive Engineer, Nilgiri division, on the subject.

ENCLOSURE.

Letter from Major A. C. SMITH, R.E., Executive Engineer, Nilgiri Division, to the Collector of Nilgiris, dated Ootacamund, 7th May 1886, No. 354.

With reference to your demi-official, dated 26th April 1886, I have the honor to return the map duly noting the line of piping near Mr. Cowdell's lands.

2. The present proposal is to take the lines as noted in red, but eventually the line may be taken as dotted in blue passing through Mr. Cowdell's land, and in such case an agreement should be made with Mr. Cowdell before granting him the land applied for, that in the event of the water-supply being executed there would be no objection raised or compensation demanded for the laying in of pipes, &c., on any of his land. On these conditions the new land may be allotted to Mr. Cowdell.

ORDER—dated 8th June 1886, No. 442, Revenue.

Land Revenue, No. 34.

His Excellency the Governor in Council resolves to authorize the assignment to Mr. Cowdell of the land applied

for by him, at the rate of Rs. 2 per acre, as a special case and on the express condition that he enters into a duly-drawn agreement to surrender to Government, without compensation of any description, a strip of the land granted to him and of any land now in his holding not less than 15 feet wide throughout, should they require it at any future time for the Ootacamund water-supply project, and further to permit the officers of Government, or any one authorized by them, to enter, whenever they may deem fit, upon the land assigned to him, and select, survey and mark out and occupy the strip of ground required.

(True Extract.)

H. A. Stuart
for Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, with three enclosures returned.
,, the Public Works Department.

Exd. W. H. French.

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Land in Ootacamund

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