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Political DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Political Department,
3rd November 1862.*

No. 1. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Revenue Department, dated
28th October 1862, No. 2,301.

*Directing that Freehold Title Deeds be issued
for the two pieces of land at Triplicane, under
the signature of the Chief Secretary.* } (Vide Proceedings Revenue Department, dated
28th October 1862, Nos. 362 and 363.)

No. 2. ORDER THEREON, 3rd November 1862, No. 444.

To be recorded.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from CLEMENT DALE, Esq., Receiver of the Carnatic Property; to the Honorable THOMAS PYCROFT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 10th October 1862, No. 177.

Para. 1. I do myself the honor of stating for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, that there are at Triplicane on either side of "the Ice House Road," two pieces of ground which I am informed belong to the Estate of His late Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic.

2. I am further informed that those two pieces of land, with the portion of the Ice House Road that lies between them, formerly formed one piece of ground, and was known in the Nabob's Circar by the name of "the Seven Wells."

3. On searching amongst the records and papers of the late Nabob I found an old deed in the Tamil language, on having which translated, I find it is a conveyance, dated the 5th day of Chittiray month of the year Vijaya, from one "Sooncoo Ramoo Chetty" to "Hazarut Nabob Wallajah Bahadoor" of the land (in one piece) to which I have referred, and which is there stated to contain 76 grounds (*i. e.* cawnies 3-4-0.)

4. In the translation, the English corresponding date is stated to be the 15th April 1833; from the circumstance however of the conveyance being to the Nabob Wallajah, and looking to the appearance of the deed, I incline to think the Interpreter is mistaken in stating the English date, and that the conveyance was executed in the year Vijaya of the last preceding Cycle, which would make the corresponding English date the 14th April 1773.

5. In preceding communications I have mentioned, that on the late Nabob ascending the musnud, after attaining his majority, certificates were generally granted by the Collectors in whose Districts the Nabob held land; and I find that as regards the land I have referred to, the then Collector of Madras on the 26th of July 1842, issued a Certificate in respect of it, in which it is stated to contain cawney 1-16-2-063; which it is there stated to be equal to "and 1,560 square feet given up by His Highness for the use of the road."

6. I have had the two pieces of land measured, and am informed they

contain cawneys...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	18	1,377
and...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	22	1,896½
together...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	17	873½
and by adding the...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	9	1,560
would make the whole area, cawnies...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	3	33½

This is cawney 1-0-2,367½ less than the quantity mentioned in the original conveyance, which I presume must have been lost by encroachments made by neighbouring proprietors.

7. I do myself the honor of enclosing a plan taken from the original Certificate mentioned in para. 5.

8. I am of opinion that the property will realise a better price by being offered for sale in 2 lots, than if the 2 pieces are put up as one lot; and I do myself the honor of enclosing 2 descriptions of the premises marked A and B.

9. And with reference to the Proceedings of Government noted in the margin, I do myself the honor of soliciting that 2 "Title Deeds," may be issued to me for the land comprised in those descriptions; and that in issuing such "Title Deeds," the boundaries, &c., of the premises may be introduced therein in accordance with the papers marked A and B, so far as the forms in use will admit.

10. In making this application I submit for the consideration of His Excellency in Council that it is clear that the Nabob Wallajah purchased the land as freehold; and if the correct date of the purchase deed be as I surmise 1773, the land has been in the possession of the successive Nabobs for a period of 89 years; should however the Interpreter be correct in putting the date as 1833, the land has been in such possession for 29 years; and during that time been treated and considered as freehold; moreover as I understand no Quit rent has ever been paid to Government for the premises.

Proceedings of Government, 5th August 1859, No. 1,053; and 21st September 1859, No. 1,271, Revenue Department.

