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Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 23d June 1857.

No. 56. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue ; dated 26th May 1857, No. 1754.

Read letter from the Collector of Coimbatore dated 22d April 1857.

(Here enter No. 59.)

Resolved that the above letter be laid before Government, with reference to para. 2 Extract Minutes of Consultation 23d January last, wherein information was required as to the practice alleged to obtain in Coimbatore of ryots holding Nunjah land without paying for it, and also as to the custom in regard to "Cabooliat Bunjer."

Public Works Department.
Revenue Irrigation, No. 166.

2. It will be seen from the Collector's letter in question that when Nunjah lands are left waste from want of water; the assessment is usually remitted; but they are notwithstanding retained in the ryot's puttah, in other words they continue his property. This course was introduced in 1835 under the Board's instructions and seems just and proper. The Nunjah assesment is fixed on the supposition of *water* being supplied by Government for the cultivation of the land and when from failure of the supply the proprietor is obliged to leave the land waste, it would not be equitable either to demand that assessment or to deprive him of the land as if it had been left uncultivated by his default. "Cabooliat Bunjer" in dry and garden land is charged for at the full assessment.

Extract Pro. 29th October 1835, *para.* 27.
Sent to Government 5th December 1835, *No.* 580.

3. As regards the lands in the Pallachy talook praticularly referred to in the Extract Minutes Consultation under reply, the Collector states they are in an unhealthy locality, and in the vicinity of thick jungles infested by wild animals. The gradual clearing of the jungles under favorable cowles, and a rise in the price of paddy have however rendered these lands valuable, and the whole are likely to be brought under cultivation in the course of next year.

4. The Board have not been furnished with a copy of the Collector's letter to the Civil Engineer and referred to in the Minutes Consultation, and do not understand the necessity of bonds being taken from the ryots "to cultivate fully or pay full rent." They infer that the rule above adverted to regarding Nunjah waste, was not acted on for special reasons in this instance. No formal agreements of the kind mentioned are either necessary or desirable. The general rule is, that a ryot must pay for the land he retains in his puttah, or give it up formally at the appointed time, and the exception to the rule comes into operation only where the supply of water fails.

5. The cowles for clearing the jungles were given, it will be seen, rent free for periods varying according to circumstances from one to five years.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM, *Acting Secretary.*

No. 57. ORDER THEREON, No. 626 ; dated 23d June 1857.

These proceedings furnish the information required by Government in Extract Minutes Consultation 23d January 1857, as to the practice obtaining in the Coimbatore District, of ryots holding Nunjah land without paying for it; and as to the custom in regard to' Cabooliat Bunjer. In respect of the former, it is stated that Nunjah lands left waste from want of water are not charged withassessment, and that the holders are not deprived of possession. The practice appears to have been introduced by an order of the Board of Revenue dated in 1835, and to have been since confirmed by the Hookumnamah of the District. The Board elsewhere say, that the general rule is, "that a ryot must pay for the land he retains in his puttah, or to give it up formally at the appointed time, and the exception to the rule comes into operation only when the "supply of water fails."

2. As regards Cabooliat Bunjer, it is explained that it is charged for at the full assessment and in reference to the lands in the Pallachy talook, respecting which also allusion was made in the same order, it is represented, that the gradual clearance of jungles under favorable cowles, and a rise in the price of paddy, have given these lands value, and that it is likely, they will soon be brought under cultivation.

3. Under the explanations thus afforded, the Government do not see that they are called upon to pass orders on any of the points touched upon.

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Revenue Department.

No 1754

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 26 May 1837.

Read letter from the Collector of Coimbatore dated 22 April 1837.

(Here Enter No 39)

Resolved that the above letter be laid before Government with reference to para 2 Extract Minutes of Consultation 23 January last, wherein information was required as to the practice alleged to obtain in Coimbatore of Ryots holding Nunjah Land without paying for it and also as to the custom in regard to Cabbolcat Punjer"

P.R.O. Dept Rec. Irrigation, No. 166.

2. It will be seen from the Collector's letter in question that when Nunjah Lands are left waste from want of water the assessment is usually remitted; but they are nevertheless retained in the Ryots pattah, in other words they continue his property. This

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course was introduced in 1835 under the Board's instructions and seems just and proper. The Runjab assessment is fixed on the supposition of water being supplied by Government for the cultivation of the land and when from failure of the supply the proprietor is obliged to leave the land waste, it would not be equitable either to demand that assessment or to deprive him of the land as if it had been left uncultivated by his default. "Cabooliat Bunger" in Dry and Garden land is charged for at the full assessment.

E Rec. 29 Oct 1835 para 3 & Letter to Govt 5 Dec No 580

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As regards the lands in the Pallachy Taloock particularly referred to in the Extract Minutes Consultation under reply, the Collector states they are in an unhealthy locality, and in the vicinity of thick jungles infested by wild animals. The gradual clearing of the jungles under favorable Cowles and a rise in the price of Paddy have however rendered these lands valuable and the whole are likely to be brought under cultivation in the course of next year.

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The Board have not been furnished with a Copy of the Collector's letter to the Civil Engineer and referred to in the — Minutes Consultation, and do not understand the necessity of bonds being taken from the ryots "to cultivate fully or pay full rent." They infer that the rule above adverted to regarding Runjab Waste was not acted on for special reasons in this instance. No formal agreements of the kind mentioned are either necessary or desirable. The general rule is, that a ryot must pay for the land he retains in his pattah or give it up formally at the appointed time, and the exception to the rule comes into operation only where the supply of water fails.

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(A true Extract)

J. A. Maw
Ag Secretary.

Forbes Esq
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

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No. 626

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 20th June 1857.

Read the following
Extract from the Proceedings of
the Board of Revenue.

(Here enter 26th May 1857 No. 1754)

These proceedings call
for the information
required by Government
in Extract Minutes Consulta-
tion 23rd January 1857 as to the
practice obtaining in the
Coimbatore District, of ryots
holding Punjah land on
without paying for it, and
as to the custom in regard
to Cubboliat Dunjee. In
respect of the former, it is
stated that Punjah lands
left waste from want of water

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Rec. 30th June
Cons. 23rd June
No. 514

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 26th May 1857
Read
Letter from Chief Secretary
to Government
No. 1703

Submitting with
the Board's observations
a letter from the Collector
of Coimbatore forwarding
information with reference
to the practice obtaining
in the District as to
holding Punjah lands
without paying for it,
and also as to the custom
in regard to Cubboliat
Dunjee.

Read
Ordered, that the Collector be informed that the Board are unable to form any opinion on the subject of the present reference, and that he be requested to state whether the practice of holding Punjah lands without paying for it, is general throughout the District, or confined to any particular Taluk or Taluks.

Rec. 30th June
Cons. 23rd June
No. 514

Ordered that the Board's Proceedings dated 26th May 1857 No. 1754 be communicated to the Collector of Coimbatore for information and report.

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2. As regards an established longer it is explained that it is charged

for at the full assessment, and in reference to the lands in the Pulloshy taloot respecting which also alluvion was made in the same order, it is represented, that the ground clearance of jungle under favorable seasons and a rise in the price of produce given these lands an value, and that it is likely they will soon be brought under cultivation.

3. Under the explanations thus afforded, the Government do not see that they are called upon to pass orders on any of the points touched upon.

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Signed to the Appropriation Accts 24th

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No 2326 Class 57

Of Virginia Culpeper County
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I Certify that on the 20th day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty seven personally appeared before me the Subscriber a Notary Public within and for the County aforesaid Thomas Jefferson Lewis who is personally known to me to be a Citizen of the United States and who did then and there take and subscribe the Oath of Allegiance required by the Act of Congress entitled "An Act to Provide for the Naturalization of Aliens throughout the several States and Territories of the United States" passed April 14th 1802.