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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 1525	Press ~~Mis.~~
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Dated 9 - 11 — 1859	

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No. 94. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 21st October 1859, No. 4274.

Read letters from the Collector of Coimbatore, dated 13th June, No. 94, and 3d August 1859, No. 148, regarding compensation awarded to the Badagas for certain land taken up for a military prison at Jackatalla.

(In Cons. 20th June and 8th August 1859, Nos. 2882 and 3956.)

Ordered that the above letters be submitted to Government, with the Board's recommendation, that the Collector be authorised to disurse the compensation awarded, amounting to Rupees 584-3-6.

2. The ground in question measuring cawnies 14-2-2,000, was taken up in May last on the requisiton of the Executive Engineer in charge, under instructions from the Major General Commanding the Division and the Officer Commanding the station, for public purposes, and compensation is fairly due to the Badagas who were cultivating it, who attach value to it from its vicinity to their villages, and who have been ousted from much land in the same vicinity, to their great inconvenience.

3. Part of the land now in question had been occupied for some nineteen years past, and compensation for this portion was awarded at the rate of Rupees 70 per cawney. The remainder, for which Rupees 35 per cawney was awarded, had been occupied only in last year. but the Collector states that there is no doubt it was taken up bonâ fide in the ordinary course of cultivation, and that until warned to quit, the occupants were not aware that the lands were required for public purposes.

4. The rates are the same as have been allowed in other similar cases, and the Board request that payment may be sanctioned.

No. 95. ORDER THEREON, 9th November 1859, No. 1525.

The order of Government in the Public Works Department dated August 1st 1859, No. 1846, granted Rupees 54,700 for erecting a Military prison at Jackatalla on the Nílgiris, but no provision was made for the site, which does not appear to have been determined when the estimate was sent up. Subsequently a spot was selected; and on a requisition made by the Executive Engineer, under orders from the General Commanding the Division, it was made over by the Collector to the former officer. Compensation to the former occupants is now applied for.

2. The extent of the land is Canies 14, Guntas 2, square feet 200. The proposed compensation is at the rate of Rupees 70 a Cani for land long in occupation, and Rupees 35 a Cani for land recently brought under cultivation; being the rates adopted in former similiar cases. At this valuation, the amount to be paid as compensation is Rupees 584-3-6; which sum the Government authorize and direct to be paid with as little delay as possible to the parties concerned.

3. The Governor in Council resolves also to direct that in all cases of sending up estimates for a building or other work, it shall be specified whether it is to be on Government or private land; and if the latter, what will be the probable cost of the site. Such an order already exists, as noted in the margin; but it is not uniformly observed.

Ex. Mins. Cons. 13th July 1855, *p.* 5.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

In Con. 20th June 1859, No. 2882.

From E. B. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of COIMBATORE,

dated Coimbatore, 13th June 1859, No. 94.

I have the honor to report that in consequence of an application from Captain Farewell, Executive Engineer at Jackatalla, I secured for a Military Prison, ordered to be erected at that station, a piece of cultivated land belonging to Burghers, near one of their villages, and measuring as per Mr. Sub Engineer Williams' Survey, Cawnies 14, Gs. 2, Sq. Ft. 2,000, and made it over to Captain Farewell. The compensation due to the Burghers, amounts to Rupees 584-3-6 as per accompanying Memo. I applied to the above Officer for the money due to the Burghers, who have, though unwillingly, relinquished the land. He informs me that he has no authority to pay. I therefore request the Board will be good enough to obtain the sanction of Government for the usual payment from my public treasury the above-mentioned sum of Rupees 584-3-6.

2. Copy of correspondence between myself and Captain Farewell is sent herewith for the Board's information.

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Enc. 1.

Memo. of Compensation due to Burghers for the land given up by them for a Military Prison at Jackatalla.

Compensation for 2 Cawnies, 13 Grounds and 1857 Sq. Ft. at 70 Rupees per Cawny.	180	2	8
Do. for 11 Cawnies, 13 Grounds and 143 Sq. Ft. at 35 do.	404	0	10
Total...	584	3	6

Coimbatore, 13th June 1859.

(Signed) E. B. THOMAS, Collector.

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Enc. 2.

From Captain W. FAREWELL, Executive Engineer in charge,

To E. B. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of COIMBATORE,

dated Jackatalla, 19th May 1859, No. 40.

A piece of land lying on the other side of Waterloo stream, having been inspected by the Major General Commanding the Division in company with the Officer Commanding this station and myself and approved of as a site for a Military Prison ordered to be erected at this station, I have the honor to request you will cause the piece of land to be surveyed and made over for Government purposes.

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From E. B. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of COIMBATORE,

To Captain W. FAREWELL, Executive Engineer in charge,

dated Coonoor, 24th May 1859, No. 44.

In reply to your letter, No. 40, dated 19th instant, I have the honor to inform you that I have directed the Native authorities to measure and give over at once the piece of land referred to, and which I have lately seen. I request the favor of your pointing out to the Curnum* on his attendance, the exact limits you wish to enclose, (probably bounded by the large trees west and the stream east.)

Or Mr. Williams, my Surveyor.

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From E. B. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of COIMBATORE,

To Captain W. FAREWELL, Executive, Engineer Jackatalla,

dated Ootacamund, 2nd June 1859, No. 47.

From Captain Farewell, Executive Engineer, dated 19th May 1859, No. 40.
To do. 24th May 1859, No. 44.
* Sub Engineer.

With reference to the correspondence noted in the margin, I have the honor to inform you that the land lately made over to you for a Military Prison, is Burghers' cultivated land, and fair compensation is due to them.

2. The total extent of it as per Mr. Williams'* plan herewith sent, is 14 Cs., 2 Gs., 2,000 Sq. Ft. of which 2 Cs., 13 Gs., 1857 Sq. Ft. were held by the Burghers for

nearly 20 years or from Fusly 1250 (1840-41), and should be paid for at the rate of 70 Rupees per Cawny, the remainder 11 Cs, 13 Gs., 143 Sq. Ft. were cultivated this year, for which a minor compensation of 35 Rupees per Cawny is due. I beg to send accordingly a Memo. of the amount due to the Burghers, and request you will be good enough to inform me whether you are authorized to pay the same from the amount sanctioned for the Military Prison, or whether I should obtain the sanction of Government through the Board of Revenue.

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From CAPTAIN W. FAREWELL, Executive Engineer in charge,
To E. B. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of COIMBATORE,
dated Jackatalla, 3rd June 1859, No. 88.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 47, dated 2d June 1859, and in reply beg to inform you I am not authorized to pay you the amount of 584-3-6 for the land required for a Military Prison to be built at this station, and therefore request you will have the goodness to obtain the land as you kindly propose through the Board of Revenue.

Enclosure No 1 in a
Proceeding of the
Revenue Secretary to the
Board of Revenue to the
Secretary to Govt. dated
21st October 1859 No 4274

No 1906/59.

Letter from the
Collector of Coimbatore
to the Secretary to the
Board of Revenue dated
13th June 1859 regarding
Compensation awarded to
Burghers.

In Con. 8th August 1859, No. 3956.

From E. B. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of COIMBATORE,
dated Ootacamund, 3rd August 1859, No. 148.

In reply to the Board's Proceedings of the 1st ultimo, No. 2544, I have the honor to state that on due enquiry, there is good reason to doubt that the 11 cawnies of land alluded to, were taken up in the ordinary course for cultivation and not specially for the purpose of obtaining compensation. The Burghers were not aware until ordered by me to give up the land, that it was required for a military prison.

2. A Memorandum of the assessment of the lands given up by the Burghers, measuring in the aggregate cawnies 14, grounds 2, sq. feet. 2,000, is herewith sent as directed.

3. The above lands are situated in the immediate vicinity of Jackatallah, and are valuable not with reference to the productive power of the soil, but to the eligibility of the locality and its proximity to the Burghers' villages, and the consequent convenience for cultivation. The rates of 70 and 35 Rupees recommended by me, are the same as accorded in several previous instances, and are on a moderate and fair scale. The Burghers attach value to these lands, and it is only for public purposes that they will give them up, and even then with reluctance.

Enc. 1.

Abstract.—Memorandum showing the assessment on the Burgher lands taken up for the military prison of the Jackatallah barracks.

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According to Govt Rate

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Memo shewing the assessment on the Burgher lands taken up for the Military Prison of the Jackatallah Barracks.

Pattadars	Since when cultivated	Bullocks		Conversion into Cawnies Cs.	Gs.	Sfo	Assessment Chas		
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Do.	1268	1	.	2	21	864	7 as	1	12 2
Cawny	1268	1	"	2	21	864	7 as	1	12 2
		4	14 1/4 / 15	14	3	573		8	9 10
According to Mr Williams measurement				14	2	2000	"		

Coimbatore
Collr's Office
3rd Augt 1859

E. B. Thomas
Collector

Memorandum from the Board of Revenue to the Collector of Coimbatore dated 21st October 1859 No 1427 Ryotwar.

Letter from the Collector of Coimbatore to the Board of Revenue dated 3 Augt 1859. Preparing confirmation. Plan enclosed to Madras.

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(A true Extract.)

Acting Secretary.

To J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.
Copy to Collector of Coimbatore.

Exd. J. Wright.

Rev. Dept.

No. 1525

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 9 November 185
Read the following
Proceedings of the Board of
Revenue.

Submitting letters from
the Collr of Coimbatore reporting
on the subject of compensation award-
ed to the Badagers for certain land
taken up for Military prisoners at
Jackatalla & recommending that the
Collr be authorized to disburse the
compensation amounting to Rupees
584-36.

(Received 21st October 1857
No 4274)

Ordered that the Collr be authorized to disburse the compensation amounting to Rupees 584-36 to the Badagers for certain land taken up for Military prisoners at Jackatalla & that the Collr be informed that the Board of Revenue do not consider the Badagers entitled to any compensation for the land in question, but that they have been allowed to occupy it rent free in consideration of the services rendered by them in the Police.

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(Received 21st October 1857
No 4274)

To Rupees 584-36

No 1525 Public Works Department
Submitting letters from the Collector of Coimbatore reporting on the subject of compensation awarded to the Badagers for certain land taken up for Military Prisoners at Jackatalla & recommending that the Collector be authorized to disburse the compensation amounting to Rupees 584-36.

No 1954.

11th January 1858 Read 19-20.

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Chief Engineer "
Accountant "
~~Civil Auditor~~

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Pro: of Govt. 9th Nov.

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Pro: of the Madras Govt
Dtd 9th Nov: 59

Compensation of
Rupees 584-3-6 for the
spot taken up for Military
Prison at Seetabuldy,
sanctioned.

No 9405