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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, for the month of April 1860.

No. 134. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th April 1860, No. 1,760:—

Read the following letter from Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer, Department Public Works, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George, dated Chepauk, 28th March 1860, No. 11,802:—

In continuation of my letter of the 24th February last, No. 10,616, I have the honor to inform the Board of Revenue, that as noticed in Mr. Banbury's Report* on the statement of Mannárgudi and Chidambaram, the Kudikad Anicut formed the subject of some enquiry by Lieutenant-Colonel Lawford when employed in South Arcot, and that his impression was that the entire project had nevet been completed, but was one of those vestiges of abortive native enterprize which are not uncommon. Colonel Lawford was, and is, now of opinion that to complete these works, or construct new ones for the irrigation of Strimushnam, would be highly inexpedient until it is ascertained that by means of the Anicut at Shatto tope the waters of the Coleroon are freely and abundantly carried into the Bhaunagiri Táluq, the cultivation of which must otherwise depend on the Vellar. But there is no large tank which could be supplied by the Kudikad Anicut, while the river is too precarious to sustain a constant flow to any extent.

*No. 117, *dated 23rd November* 1858, *paragraph* 72.

2. Colonel Lawford has further reminded me that while extensive plans have been matured by Captain Ryves for irrigating the Coleroon and Vellar Doab, Captain Foord has prepared one for an Anicut near Virdachellam, and nothing is wanted to carry out these works but the removal of the existing restrictions on public expenditure, so that it would seem quite needless to undertake any fresh project at present.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

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

Submitted for the information of Government in continuation of the Board's Proceedings, dated 15th March 1860, No. 1,331.

No. 135. ORDER THEREON, 28th April 1860, No. 670.

Ordered to be recorded.

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

No. 1,760.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 12th April 1860.

Read the following letter from Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer, D. P. W. to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George; dated Chepauk, 25th March 1860, No. 11,802:—

In continuation of my letter of the 24th February last, No. 10,616, I have the honor to inform the Board of Revenue, that as noticed in Mr. Banbury's Report* on the statement of Manargudi and Chidambarum, the Kudikad Anicut formed the subject of some enquiry by Lieutenant-colonel Lawford when employed in South Arcot, and that his impression was that the entire project had never been completed, but was one of those vestiges of abortive native enterprize which are not uncommon. Colonel Lawford was, and is, now of opinion that to complete these works, or construct new ones for the irrigation of Shutto tope the waters of the Coleroon are freely and abundantly carried into the Bhowanegiri Táluq, the cultivation of which must otherwise depend on the Vellar. But there is no large tank which could be supplied by the Kudikad Anicut, while the river is too precarious to sustain a constant flow to any extent.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

Secretary.

To J. D. Bourdillon, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to H. Wood, Esq., Collector of South Arcot.

„ to H. Newill, Esq., Director of Revenue Settlement.

„ to Colonel J. H. Bell, Chief Engineer, D. P. W.

Exd. J. Wright.

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Proceedings of the
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Submitting for information a letter from the Chief Engineer stating that the Kelad Anicut formed the subject of Local enquiry by Capt Colonel Cotton & others employed in South Arcot and that he is now of opinion that to complete these works or construct new ones for the irrigation of Shirmushnam would be highly inexpedient.

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