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

No. 59. Read the following letter from W. S. NESBITT, Esq., Secretary to the Utakamand Improvement Committee, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Utakamand, 18th April 1860.

In forwarding, by desire of the Utakamand Improvement Committee, for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, the enclosed copy of its Proceedings held yesterday, I have the honor to request you will be good enough to acquaint me with the instructions of Government as to the question raised in its 3rd Resolution, viz., whether the allotments of land fixed by the Committee may be sold *without*, and *independently* of, any reference to the Board of Revenue—the said Committee acting, it being borne in mind, under special *official selection and appointment*; and also to procure sanction for the Collector of Coimbatore to make the advance of Rupees 3,000 required under Resolution 6th.

Proceedings of the Utakamand Improvement Committee, dated 17th April 1860.

PRESENT.

E. B. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore, (President).

J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails.

G. MACKAY, Esq., M. D., Senior Medical Officer, Nilgiris.

H. R. DAWSON, Esq.

W. FRASER, Esq., District Engineer.

W. S. NESBITT, Esq., Assistant Collector and Magistrate.

Mr. Nesbitt is requested to act as Secretary of this Committee.

The Honorable the Governor's Minute, dated 23rd February 1860, having been read, the Committee passed the following Resolutions:—

1st. That Mr. Fraser be requested to carry out with as little delay as possible, the proposed Survey of the Station and adjoining lands, agreeably to Clause I, paragraph 23, of the Honorable the Governor's Minute, dated 23rd February 1860.

2nd. That pending the completion of the Survey directed in the above clause and paragraph of the Honorable the Governor's Minute, all application for Ground be submitted to the Committee, who will cause a Survey to be made on the scale proposed for the General Survey, defining the boundaries with reference to adjoining lots, roads, future improvements, &c., in order that as little delay as possible be occasioned in giving possession.

3rd. That the Chief Secretary to Government be addressed with a view to its being ascertained whether the allotments fixed by the Committee can be sold or not *without* referring to the Board of Revenue, as has heretofore been necessary for the Collector to do, as the Committee consider that delay will arise in giving effect to their efforts, which, indeed, they apprehend may also probably be altogether nullified, if subjected to such reference.

4th. That the Sewerage being an important question, members be requested to consider of, and be prepared to discuss it at the next meeting.

5th. That Mr. Fraser be requested to consider the question of the Water Supply, and report upon it at his earliest convenience.

6th. That the Planting season being close at hand, that it be not allowed to pass without at once taking measures to plant the land lying between the high road and the circuit of the Lake; and that to protect the same, it be enclosed with fencing, and placed under proper watchers; Government to be also applied to for funds, and requested to advance the sum of Rupees 3,000 for this and other objects of improvement.

7th. That Dr. Mackay, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Fraser, as a Sub-Committee, be requested to communicate with the Conservator of Forests, as to procuring trees for the above purpose.

8th. The Committee resolve.—That three Members form a quorum, and the votes of absent Members be taken by Proxy.

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

That a copy of the Proceedings of this date be sent to Government, requesting their instructions as to the action of this Committee in the disposal of land independently of reference to the Board of Revenue, and soliciting the advance of Rupees 3,000 proposed in Resolution 6.

17th April 1860.

(Signed) W. S. NESBITT, *Secretary.*

No. 60.

ORDER THEREON, 4th May 1860, No. 715.

The Government grant authority to the Utakamand Improvement Committee to sell allotments of land within and adjoining that station, under the rules laid down for their guidance in this respect, without reference to the Board of Revenue or to Government.

2. The Government also sanction an advance of three thousand Rupees to the Committee for the purposes stated in the sixth Resolution of their Proceedings enclosed in Mr. Nesbitt's letter. This advance will be disbursed by the Collector of Coimbatore from time to time as required; and it will be repaid from the earliest receipts for land sold.

3. The Committee will be directed to submit, quarterly, a Report of their Proceedings, with a Statement of their Accounts. The first Report should be for the quarter ending June 30th, 1860.

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

Utakamand
Proceedings of the Utakamand Improvement
Committee dated April 17th 1860.

Present

E. B. Thomas Esq. Collector of Coimbatore President

J. Rohde Esq. Inspector General of Sails.

Geo. MacKay Esq. M.D. S. Med. Officer Bangalore

H. B. Dawson Esq.

W. Fraser Esq. District Engineer

H. S. Nesbitt Esq. Assistant Magistrate

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the next Meeting.

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to plant the lands lying between the High
Road and the Circuit of the Lake, and
that to protect the same, it be enclosed
with fencing, and placed under proper
watchers; Government to be also applied to
for funds, and requested to advance
the sum of Rupees 3000 for this, and other
objects of improvement.

7th That D. Mackay, Mr. Dawson,
Mr. Fraser, as a Sub Committee, be

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Conservator of Forests, as to procuring
Trees for the above purpose.

8th The Committee resolved, That three
Members form a quorum and the Votes
of absent Members be taken by Proxy.

That a Copy of the Proceedings of
this date be sent to Government, request-
ing their instructions as to the action
of this Committee in the disposal of land
independently of references to the Board
of Revenues, and soliciting the advance of
Rupees 3000 proposed in resolution 6.

17th April 1860.

W. Strett
Secretary.

Copy of Letter to Govt
18th April 1860
12-10 May 1860
P. 507/60.

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W. J. Hewitt Esq.
Secretary to the Estacament
Improvement Committee

J. Dyer Esq.
Chief Secretary to Government.

Fort St. George

Sir,

In forwarding by deputation of the Estacament
Improvement Committee, for
the information of the Honorable the
Governor in Council the enclosed Copy
of its Proceedings held yesterday, I have
the honor to request your will be good enough
to acquaint me with the instructions of
Government as to the question raised in
its 3^d Resolution, viz. whether the allot-
ments of Land fixed by the Committee
may be sold without and independently
of any reference to the Board of Revenue
the said Committee acting, it being
borne in mind, under special official
selection and appointment, and also to
procure sanction for the collection of
contributions to make the advance of
Rupees 3000 required under Resolution 6.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,
Your most Obedt Servant

W. Strett
Secy to the Estad
Improvement Committee

Estacament
18th April 1860

Copy given to the Comtee
of 3rd Aug 60 No 2

From Collector of Criminals
30 May 60 C No 1150 in Pro 76
June 10 58

From Secretary & Treasurer
of the Criminal Committee
21 Feb 60 C No 1575 X
In Reply to the grant ending 30 June
X in Pro 4th Aug 60 No 179

No 59 & 60

Received 1860 Pro 4th
Pro of for 18th May
No 837

From the Secy to the
Colonial and Improvement
Committee
21 Feb 60 C No 1575 X
at 20 184 } 28 185-214
Received 24th of 18th
No 715 4th May
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Request to
know whether the
allotments of land
granted by the Committee
to the said Secy or
not without refer-
ence to the Board
of Revenue and
to the Sanction
for an advance of
Rs 3000 for certain
improvements
to the said Secy

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No 41515

The Government

Sanction Authority to the District

From the Improvement Committee
to the Collector of Criminals
= the to sell allotments of land
within and adjoining that
station, under the rules laid
down for their guidance in
the respect without reference
to the Secy or to Govt.

2. The Govt also sanctions
an advance of three thousand Ru-
pees to the Committee for the
purpose stated in the sanction
in the Secy's letter. This ad-
vance will be advanced by
the Collector of Criminals
from time to time as required
and should be repaid from
the land sold.

3. The Committee will
be bound to pay the interest
on the advance of Rs 3000
from 30-1860. The said Secy
will be bound to pay the
interest on the advance of Rs
3000 from 30-1860.