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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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No. 1. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 18th April 1860, No. 1,855:—

Read the following letter from J. SILVER, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George, dated 10th April 1860, No. 130:—

There is in deposit in my Treasury a sum of 874 Rupees, being the sale proceeds of stones of the Fort walls of Pálamkotta, which have gradually been demolished from time to time, for several years past. I am anxious to take down a further portion of the remaining wall for sanitary purposes, in order to ventilate the Fort, in which Cholera has broken out to a lamentable extent this year. The wall on the Eastern face had been entirely removed before I took charge of this Collectorate in 1855, with the most beneficial effect; and I now request the permission of the Board to employ the funds in deposit, in demolishing the wall on the Western face, in which there are already many wide gaps, but which ought to be entirely taken down. The stones will be collected, and either sold on account of Govesnment, or kept for the Public Works Department. The Judge will assist me with a gang of Convicts, but their labor unaided will not suffice for the work.

Submitted to Government with the Board's recommendation that the Collector may be authorized to remove entirely the Western wall of the old Pálamkotta Fort, employing so much of the sum in deposit (Rupees 874) as may be necessary to accomplish the work.

2. The stones, &c., will be collected and sold, and the Board recommend that the proceeds, with any unexpended balance of the sum now in deposit, should be credited to the Local Fund of the District.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

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

No. 2. ORDER THEREON, 21st May 1860, No. 814.

1. The Government grant authority, as asked for in paragraph 1 of these Proceedings for the removal of the remaining portion of the Fort wall at Pálamkotta. The cost will be defrayed in the first instance out of the sum in deposit referred to by the Collector; the materials obtained will be sold by public auction, after due notice, and the proceeds will be formed into a fund for local improvements.

2. The Board of Revenue will instruct the Collector to enquire, and report, in communication with the District Engineer, in what way the land may be best laid out for the public convenience. Probably a part at least may be formed into building lots and sold and a part may be wanted for road. The Collector will submit a sketch of the ground with his report.

3. In order to show the Collector what is intended, the Board will furnish that Officer with a copy of the Order of Government, 14th May 1860, No. 768, respecting the disposal of the unoccupied Government land adjoining the Fort at Trichinopoly and at Warriúr.

4. The deposit referred to by Mr. Silver appears to have remained in his Treasury for several years. The existence of such deposits is open to much objection. The Collector will report under what circumstances this sum has remained so long in deposit, what was the amount originally received on this account, and what sums have been disbursed from it and what authority. He will also report for the information of Government what other deposits there were in his Treasury on the 1st instant.

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

No. 1,855.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 18th April 1860.

Read the following letter from J. SILVER, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George; dated 10th April 1860, No. 130 :—

There is in deposit in my Treasury a sum of 874 Rupees, being the sale proceeds of stones of the Fort walls of Palamcottah, which have gradually been demolished from time to time, for several years past. I am anxious to take down a further portion of the remaining wall for sanitary purposes, in order to ventilate the Fort, in which Cholera has broken out to a lamentable extent this year. The wall on the Eastern face had been entirely removed before I took charge of this Collectorate in 1855, with the most beneficial effect; and I now request the permission of the Board to employ the funds in deposit, in demolishing the wall on the Western face, in which there are already many wide gaps, but which ought to be entirely taken down. The stones will be collected, and either sold on account of Government, or kept for the Public Works Department. The Judge will assist me with a gang of Convicts, but their labour unaided will not suffice for the work.

Submitted to Government with the Board's recommendation that the Collector may be authorized to remove entirely the Western wall of the old Palamcottah Fort, employing so much of the sum in deposit (Rupees 874) as may be necessary to accomplish the work.

2. The stones, &c., will be collected and sold, and the Board recommend that the proceeds, with any unexpended balance of the sum now in deposit, should be credited to the Local Fund of the District.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

Secretary.

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

Copy to J. Silver, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly.

Exd. J. Wright.

Rev. Dept.

No 814.

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 21st May 1860.

Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Submitting a letter from the Collector of Tinnevelly and recommending that he may be authorized to remove entirely the Western wall of the old Palamcottah Fort, employing so much of the sum in deposit as may be necessary to accomplish the work.

(Here enter 18th April 1860 No 1854)

1. The Government grant the authority, as asked for in para 1 of these Proceedings for the removal of the remaining portion of the fort wall at Palamcottah. The cost will be defrayed in the first instance out of the sum in deposit referred to by the Collector; the materials obtained will be sold by public auction, after due notice, and the proceeds will be formed into a fund for local improvements.

2. The Board of Revenue will instruct the Collector to enquire, and report, in communication with the District Engineer, in what way the land may

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From Revenue 1860. Department.
Vice Govt Proc. dated 21st May No 814.
To Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Dated 18th April 1860.
Dep. 23rd
Rec 24th

No 1855.

Submitting a letter from the Collector of Tinnevelly and recommending that he may be authorized to remove entirely the Western wall of the old Palamcottah Fort, employing so much of the sum in deposit as may be necessary to accomplish the work.

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may be best laid out for the public convenience. Probably a part at least may be formed into building lots and sold and a part may be wanted for road. The Collector will submit a sketch of the ground with his report.

3. In order to show the Collector what is intended, the Board will furnish that Officer with a copy of the Order of Government 14th May 1860 No 1768 respecting the disposal of the unoccupied Government land adjoining the Fort at Trichinopoly and at Warriur.

4. The deposit referred to by Mr. Silver appears to have remained in his Treasury for several years. The existence of such deposits is ~~exposed~~ open to much objection. The Collector will report under what circumstances this sum has remained so long in deposit, what was the amount originally received on this account, and what sums have been disbursed from it and on what authority. He will also report for the information of Government what other deposits there were in his Treasury on the 1st Instant.

J. H. A.

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To

The Board of Revenue Cuttack 22nd
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Pro: of the Madras Govt.
D/ 21st May 1860.

From the Bd of Rev. D/ 17th
Recd 4th Oct 1860

Remaining portion of the Fort wall at Palamcotta, to be removed. Collector to report in what way the land may be best laid out for the public convenience. Also under what circumstances the sale proceeds of stones referred to that remains so long in deposit.

No 142.

From Do D/ 10th July 61 C No 1663

From the Chief Engineer
22 Dec.r 60 C No 309 Sur Pro: 18th Jan
No 120

Forwarded Genl 24 May 62
C No 1529.