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

No. 11. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 8th May 1860, No. 2,245:—

Read the following letter from J. D. ROBINSON, Esq., Acting Collector of North Arcot, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George, dated Chittoor, 25th April 1860, No. 89 :—

In their Order of 31st October last, No. 1,472, communicated to me by the Board on the 4th November 1859, Government directed that the bungalow and premises at old Arcot formerly occupied by the Sub Collector, should be sold in convenient lots under the provisions of Article first, paragraph 4 of the Order of August 5, 1859, No. 1,053, without any reservation of Quit-rent, the lots being put up consecutively and sold to the highest bidder in each case.

2. On the 14th November 1859, a copy of the Order of Government was forwarded by me to the then Acting Sub Collector, Mr. Grenfell, with a request that he would personally inspect the premises and draw up a notice for insertion in the District Gazette. In reply, the Acting Sub Collector informed me that the premises could not be sold in lots as directed by Government, unless the bungalow were dismantled; and recommended that as this would entail unnecessary expense, the bungalow and premises should be put up in one lot. As I was shortly to be in that neighbourhood on my Jamábandi tour, I took no further steps in the matter until January, when I personally inspected the premises, and directed the Thsíldár to appraise them, and report whether there was any probability of a fair offer being made for them when put up for sale.

3. The Tahsíldár sent in his valuation which was forwarded for verification to the District Engineer on the 26th ultimo. That Officer's reply has not yet reached me.

4. The Tahsíldár has fixed the valuation of the bungalow, the stables and the cook-room, at Rupees 1,131, Rupees 178, and Rupees 73, respectively. The land appropriated for the bungalow and out-houses measures 6 k. 14 a. 4 c., and is entered in the Survey Register as unassessed dry land. A portion of the "No." to which the land occupied by the bungalow, &c. belongs is, however, cultivated with dry grain, and assessed at Rupees 2-2-0 per kani. At this rate the assessment on the whole 6 k. 14 a. 4 c. would amount to Rupees 14-10-3.

5. The bungalow is, as the Board are aware, situated at old Arcot on the south side of the Pálár. It is distant 1½ mile, and divided by the broad sandy bed of the river from the European station of Ranipett, where also are numerous dwelling houses which have been allowed to go to ruin since that place ceased to be a Cavalry Depôt. It is not, therefore, likely that the property will realize anything near its actual value. I have now advertised the sale in one lot of the bungalow and premises; and fixed Tuesday the 15th proximo as the day of auction. The Acting Sub Collector has been requested to preside.

6. The result of the sale will be communicated to the Board for the information of Government immediately it is over.

7. I much regret the delay which was taken place in this matter, but what between my desire not to throw away the property without better data than were forthcoming on the first receipt of the Order, the difficulty in effecting the transfer to the Police of the small plot of ground attached to it, and the pressure of other business, more time has been lost in giving effect to the wishes of Government than I could have anticipated, or than would under other circumstances have probably occurred.

In Con., 1*st November* 1859, *No.* 5,624.
,, 11*th April* 1860, *No.* 1,628.

Submitted for the information of Government, with reference to their Proceedings in the Revenue Department, Nos. 1,472 and 31, dated respectively 31st October 1859, and 9th April 1860.

(A true Copy and Extract.)
(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Sub-Secretary.*

No. 12. ORDER THEREON, 21st May 1860, No. 819.

Ordered to be recorded.

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

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