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Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
16th April 1862.

No. 268. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Department, dated 12th April 1862, No. 443 :—

Passing orders on letter from Honorary Secretary People's Park Committee, submitting for information copy of Messrs. Franck, & Co.'s report on the sale of the land adjacent to Cochrane's Canal and Wall Tax Street. } (Vide Public Proceedings, 12th April 1862, Nos. 65, 66.)

No. 269. ORDER THEREON, 16th April 1862, No. 852.

Ordered to be communicated to the Board of Revenue for their information.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from Lieutenant H. W. WOOD, Officiating Honorary Secretary, People's Park Committee; to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated 25th March 1862.

I have the honor to submit for the information of Government a copy of Messrs. Franck and Co.'s report on the sale of the land adjacent to Cochrane's Canal and Wall Tax Street.

It appears very desirable that the purchasers of the several allotments should be put in possession of the legal titles to the land without further delay.

From Messrs. FRANCK, AND Co.; to J. W. MUDGE, Esq., Honorary Secretary, People's Park Committee, dated 19th March 1862.

We have now the pleasure to submit a report of the result of our sale of Government land situated on the bank of Cochrane's Canal, which commenced on the 4th and terminated on the 8th February.

2. We enclose a detailed statement of particulars by which you will observe that we have disposed of 24 of the allotments, at or above the upset price of Rupees 100 per ground. This includes one allotment No. 19, which we disposed of privately after the auction, at the upset price, although we may probably have to cancel the sale in consequence of the purchaser not having as yet paid up the purchase money.

3. The total area sold is 71 grounds and 919¼ square feet, and the amount realized for the same is Rupees 10,570, showing an average of Rupees 148 per ground. Prices varied very much; from Rupees 100, the minimum upset price, to Rupees 288 per ground. The allotments along Wall Tax Street realized, as might be expected, the highest prices. A few only of those in the second row, a still smaller number, in the third row, and only three of those facing the Canal were taken up; and these at very little above the minimum price. Indeed we noticed throughout the sale a disinclination on the part of bidders to offer for the allotments facing the Canal, and the bids for the unsold lots seldom exceeded Rupees 40 to 50 per ground.

4. The Debris of the wall we disposed of in 9 lots which realized the sum of Rupees 1,687, which added to the amount already given, makes the total amount of the sale to be Rupees 12,257.

From this will have to be deducted our Commission at 2½ per cent.....	306	6	9
Sundry advertising and printing charges, cooly hire, &c.....	40	15	6
together.....	347	6	3
Leaving net proceeds..... Rupees.....	11,909	9	9

5. Several of the purchasers have not yet completed their purchases, and of the above amount we have yet to receive the following items, viz.:—

From the purchaser of No. 19.....	Rupees	295
„ „ 21 and 22	„	1,010
„ „ 28	„	240
„ „ 29 and 30	„	1,251
„ „ 34	„	315
„ „ 39	„	234
„ „ 40	„	275
„ of one lot of the debris of the wall.....	„	150
together	Rupees	3,800

6. According to the strict letter of the conditions of sale these parties have now made default. One of them (the purchaser of No. 40) came to us to-day with the balance of his purchase money, which we refused to receive. We thought it advisable to take this course conse-

quent upon information from the Municipal Commissioners that some mistake had been made in disposing of those portions of the land through which the drains run into the Canal, and that it might become necessary to take up some of the allotments again; a proceeding which will be all the more easy through the purchasers own default. We shall therefore refuse to receive any more payments until we have your sanction to do so.

7. We have now to solicit in behalf of those purchasers who have paid up in full, that they may be furnished with the necessary legal titles to their several allotments with as little delay as possible. In making this request we have further to remind you that the purchasers of the few allotments of land to the North of the People's Park which we sold in May and June last have not up to this time received the certificates to which they are entitled. They complain very much of this delay and we know as a fact that this circumstance kept back several parties from purchasing on this last occasion. We submit that it is for the interests of all parties that no such ground for complaint should be allowed to arise.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) H. W. WOOD, Lieut.
Officiating Secretary, People's Park Committee.

Transferred to the Revenue Department.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
28th March 1862.

(Signed) W. H. HORSLEY, Lieut. Colonel,
Secretary to Government, P. W. D.

Transferred to the Public Department.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
4th April 1862.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

ORDER THEREON, 12th April 1862, No 443.

From the enclosure of the foregoing letter it appears that 24 allotments of land on the Eastern bank of Cochrane's Canal have, together with the Debris of the Town Wall, been sold, realizing Rupees 12,257; but that of this sum Rupees 3,800 are still to be paid up.

2. The subject of paragraph 6 of Messrs. Franck and Co.'s letter has, it is observed, been disposed of by the Proceedings of Government 25th ultimo, No. 374, a copy of which will be furnished to the Committee of the People's Park.

3. The Collector of Madras will, after ascertaining the necessary particulars from the Committee, issue, with the least practicable delay, to the purchasers of the several allotments, (excepting those referred to in the latter Clause of paragraph 3 of the Municipal Commissioner's letter of the 21st ultimo,) the usual Certificates, or Title Deeds.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Committee People's Park,
(with Proceedings of Government, No. 374.)
" Collector of Madras.
" Municipal Commissioners.
" Revenue Department.

Exd. T. O'Conner.

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