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## Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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## *Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 15th December* 1863.

No. 246. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th December 1863, No. 7,662.

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1. I have the honor to forward copy of an applicataion from Mr. H. Gompertz, who has purchased a Bungalow at Rajahmundry, lately in the possession of Mr. Purvis, for the ground on which it has been built.

2. I do not think the ground is saleable under the new rules, as it is situated on a rampart belonging to the old Fort at Rajahmundry: but I forward the application to the Board for their Orders, as Mr. Gompertz is anxious to possess the ground, and I see no objection to his being permitted to purchase it. The Bungalow was built about twenty years ago, and has been inhabited ever since.

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(True Copy.)

(Signed) H. MORRIS, *Acting Collector.*

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I understand that Mr. Gompertz has forwarded through the Acting Collector of this District a request that a piece of land near to a house that he has here may be granted to him. As a Member of the Rajahmundry Church Committee, I beg that you will be good enough to request the Board not to comply with his application, until inquiries be made here, as the land that he has applied for encroaches on the ground proposed for the Church compound.

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3. The Acting Collector should inspect the locality before defining the extent of the holding, with reference to Dr. MacDonald's objections, relating to the Church compound.

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No. 247. ORDER THEREON, 15th December 1863, No. 2,287.

A sketch of the land showing the compound attached to the house and the additional land sought with the position of the Church, &c., neighbouring buildings (if any), should be submitted.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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No. 3023.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated 5th December 1863.

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No. 7,662.

Pro. B. of Rev. 4 Dec. 1863.
No. 809.

Submitting with remarks letter from the Collector of the Godavery District forwarding copy of an application from Mr. H. Gompertz for a permanent Deed for certain ground at Rajahmundry.

No 2287. 15 Decr
With an Order.

No. 2287.

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15th Decr 1863. H. Morris
Capt Lake Offg Revl Commr
Chl Secy 63 Rec No 2246 & 2247.

Exd. J. Wright

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

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