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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 7th September 1864.

No, 93. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd August 1864, No. 5,397.

Read the following letter from J. FRASER, Esq., Officiating Collector of the Godavery District, dated Cocanada, 24th June 1864, No. 154:—

1. In reply to the Board's Proceedings dated 11th September 1863, No. 5,725, calling for a full report on the settlement of the Western Delta in the Godavery District, I have the honor to state that I am at present unable to furnish it for the following reasons.

2. In the Western Delta Talooks, in which the new settlement has been introduced, the demand for land and water assessment has been made for Fusly 1272, according to the Settlement Registers delivered by the Settlement Department.

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4. An extra establishment of Gumastahs to be paid from the funds of the Settlement Department, has been employed to make these corrections, and the work is going on.

5. Whole fields have been charged as wet, when only a portion is irrigated.

6. Fields which have been once converted into wet have been entered as wet. But upon the proposal of the late Collector, Mr. Newill, the Board have directed that all fields of large size, of which parts only have been hitherto irrigated, should be sub-divided into interstitial fields of not less than two acres. That water cess should be charged for the whole of this minor area, the whole being irrigable and water available. Also that if the land should have been regularly irrigated for more than two years, and cultivated as Nunjah, it shall from the third year be classed as Nunjah. The immediate result of all these changes will be much correction of the Settlement Registers, and a great falling off in the land and water tax.

7. It will therefore be necessary to ascertain the extent of these changes before I can report fully on the settlement of the Western Delta.

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2. The Government are aware of the steps that are being taken to correct the errors that were discovered in the application of the revised settlement, and on their results being ascertained, the desired report on the actual effect of the new settlement will be submitted.

No. 94. ORDER THEREON, 7th September 1864, No. 1,627.

Miscellaneous.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Secretary.

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

Copy to J. Fraser, Esq., Officiating Collector of the Godavery District.

„ to R. E. Master, Esq., Officiating Director of Revenue Settlement.

Exd. J. Wright.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 22nd August 1864.
Desp 25th
Rec 26th

No. 5,307.

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Submitting with remarks, letter from Officiating Collector of Godavery District, stating why he is unable at present to furnish the full report called for on the Settlement of the Western Delta in District. Ja 1627.

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