

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
12th September 1864.*

No. 193. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 7th September 1864.

Read the following letter from G. BANBURY, Esq., Acting Collector of North Arcot, to
W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Chittoor, 31st
August 1864, No. 206 :—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to forward a copy of a letter received from the Acting Head Assistant Collector Mr. Foster, regarding the destructive fire which took place in the village of Ooli in the Goriattam Talook, by which the entire village was reduced to ashes.

2. The village is situated close to the Railway, and the fire broke out very shortly after a train had passed. There have been similar disastrous occurrences lately owing, I presume, to the economical practice of using wood instead of coal or coke for the engine fires. The replies received a few days back from the Railway Company's Officers are of a general nature, and throw no light upon the matter. The sufferers are too poor, and too unskilled to bring an action against the Company, and there does not appear to be actual legal proof of the origin of the fire; although I imagine there can be but little moral doubt whence it arose.

3. The villagers represent that they have lost property to the value of Rupees 10,991, although this is very likely somewhat exaggerated, there must have been considerable destruction, as eighty houses with every thing in them were totally burnt. In order to aid these Ryots in re-building their dwellings a proper number of trees have been given them free of any seignorage. They have also been enjoined to erect their new dwellings at a safe distance from the Railway line.

4. The Pattah Beriz of the sufferers by this fire was for last Fusly Rupees 1,107-6-3; of this Rupees 407-2-7 has been collected. I would recommend that the balance Rupees 700-2-8 be at once remitted in order to aid them in again commencing their agricultural employments. I doubt much whether in point of fact it could ever be collected, as their grain, household utensils, cloths and ornaments were all destroyed. They have asked for an advance, but this method of alleviation I am unwilling to advocate.

Ordered to be submitted to Government, with the Board's recommendation that the remission of the balance assessment be sanctioned as requested.

No. 194. ORDER THEREON, 12th September 1864, No. 1,677.

Land Revenue.

The Board's proposal is sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Collector's Office
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Signed / for Hanbury
Ag. Collector

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A true copy of Extract

[K. A. A. A.]
Secretary

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