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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 23rd February 1864.

No. 320. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 20th January 1864, No. 394:—

Read again letter from the Acting Collector of Trichinopoly, dated 5th December 1863, No. 229, in Board's Proceedings, dated 18th idem, No. 8,031.

Read also the following letter from the same Officer, dated 23rd December 1863, No. 237.

1. I have the honor to reply to the Board's Proceedings dated 18th instant, and beg to say that the only Temple in this District in which the Vadagalay and Tengalay dissension prevails is the Shrirangam Devastanum. The dispute there is of very old date and occasionally runs very high, but I do not see how it will be mended by appointing a separate Committee for each party. It cannot be called a schism, for both parties reside together, worship the same god, use the same religious observances, and the main dispute is for the right of fixing up their respective distinguishing mark on the temples in which they both worship. This right has been judicially adjudged to the Tengalay party; and there are no other rights, claims, or property sufficient to call for a separate Vadagalay Committee, indeed such a course would be rather likely to foster dissension. Though the Tengalay right has been declared to be predominant in the temple, the various offices and posts in it are filled indifferently by either party.

2. I am also of opinion that no separate Committee for Saiva temples is required in any Talook of this District. Judging from past experience no inconvenience is likely to arise from men of both sects serving in the same Committee, as they have hitherto served as Trustees irrespective of sect. Of the three Dharmakartas of the great Vishnu Devastanum of Shrirangam, two are at this moment Saiva men. The Committee recommended by me for the Trichinopoly Talook, in which the principal temples, both Vaishnava and Saiva, are situated, comprises two Saivas and three Vaishnavas, of which latter two are Tengalay and one Vadagalay. This arrangement will, I still think, be found to answer. Experience only can show whether such a Committee will be found suitable for the purposes contemplated by Act XX of 1863.

3. I have the honor to return the six Petitions that accompanied the Board's Proceedings and beg to adhere to my former recommendation.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 to 6.—Petitions.

1. Ordered that the above papers be submitted to Government, with reference to their Proceedings dated 26th November 1863, No. 2,137, Revenue Department, and with the expression of the Board's opinion that so far as they can judge, Mr. Walhouse's proposals may properly be adopted.

2. They have evidently been well considered, and the Board see no reason to doubt that they are judicious. Mr. Walhouse gives the assurance that they are acceptable to the well disposed portion of the community, and as he very truly observes it is vain to expect that a scheme can be proposed to which no one will object, and which will satisfy the ill-disposed and well-disposed alike.

No. 321. ORDER THEREON, 23rd February 1864, No. 323.

1. Agreeably to the recommendation of the Board of Revenue His Excellency the Governor in Council resolves, under the authority vested in him by Section VII, Act XX of 1863, to appoint the parties named in the lists submitted by the Acting Collector of Trichinopoly as Committees for the supervision of religious endowments in that District.

2. The Collector will re-publish the Notification of their appointments in the District Gazette and otherwise make it generally known in the District

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
„ Collector of Trichinopoly.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 8,031.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 18th December 1863.

Read the following letter from M. J. WALHOUSE, Esq., Acting Collector of Trichinopoly, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 5th December 1863, No. 229:—

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the Proceedings of the Board dated 30th November, communicating the Order of Government that I should enter in full the names and residences of the persons recommended by me to serve on Committees for the superintendence of Temples, and enclose herewith two Statements conveying the information required.

2. I beg to state that the last word in paragraph 3 of my letter of the 31st October, No. 210, appears to have been mis-printed "Committees" instead of "Communities." I meant to say that the Committees had been chosen after ascertaining as far as possible the wishes of the Mussalman and Hindu Communities. I believe the persons named are all respectable men, of position and good character; and will command the confidence of the well disposed. It would be difficult probably to select a person to whom none would object.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Memorandum showing the Mahomedan religious institutions and the members proposed to the Committee as per Act XX of 1863.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

ABSTRACT.—Memorandum showing the Hindu religious institutions and the members of the Committee proposed as per Act XX of 1863.

1. Before submitting the above letter to Government with their opinion, the Board resolve to refer to the Acting Collector for report, the Petitions on the subject which were returned to them by Government under date 12th December 1863, and to request him to state at the same time whether the Vadagallay and Tengalay schism among the Vishnu sect of Hindus prevails in his District to such an extent as to require separate Committees for Swa Temples, and for either persuasion of the Vishnu sect in each Taluk, in order to maintain the rights of all parties on an equality.

Board's Nos. 3,656, 3,812, 3,877, 3,902, 3,924, and 3,928.

2. The mis-print to which Mr. Walhouse draws attention has been corrected.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary.

To M. J. Walhouse, Esq., Acting Collector of Trichinopoly,
with 6 Petitions to be returned.

Exd. J. Wright.

Revenue Department

Notification

Fort St George 23rd January 1864.

Under section 7, Act XX of 1863, the Collector of the Government Board of Revenue is hereby authorized to exercise all the powers of the Board of Revenue and the Board conjointly under Regulation VII of 1817 of the Madras Code, except in Religious Institutions of the nature described in section 3 of Act XX of 1863, in the Districts of Trichinopoly Madura Salem Coimbatore and Malabar.

Names of Members. Places of Residence.

1 Lushington — Trichinopoly
2. Stevenson Salem
3 Murray Collector of the Nilgiris
4. Hamilton Madura
5 Dumergue Coimbatore

To be the Committee for all Mahomedan Institutions within the limits of the Districts of Trichinopoly Madura Coimbatore Salem and Malabar, under Section 3, Act XX of 1863, in the District of Trichinopoly

Malabar

1 Goschen Collector of Malabar
2 Ramaswamy Ayyan Vakil
3. Ranganadha Ayyangar Vakil
4. Muhammad Kasim Vakil
5. Muhammad Ibrahim Vakil

To be the Committee for all Mahomedan Institutions within the District of Malabar

Madura

1 Goschen Collector of Madura
2 Ramaswamy Ayyan Vakil
3 Narasimha Pillai Pleader
4. Shanmugam Pillai Pleader

To be the Committee in the District of Madura

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Extracts from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue to the Date to Settle R.D. dated 20 January 1864 Nos. 394-

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 18*th December* 1863.

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No. 8,031.

Forwarding for report certain Petitions, and requesting to know whether the two sects of Hindus prevail to such an extent as to require separate Committees for preserving the rights of all parties on an equal scale.

Veerambakkam

1. Muthuveerachetchella Reddiar son of Chellappa Reddi — Commander-in-Chief Mysore Sultan.
2. Krishna Reddi son of Muchi Reddi — Murukangudi
3. Balagoora Reddi son of Veera Chedambara Reddi — Gangaramangalam
4. Gowramutty Iyen son of Veeraluduvai — Veeraluduvai
5. Soorayana Pillai son of Mootoo Kolanji Pillai — Kanjanayadi

} Take the Charge of all Hindu Religious Institutions coming within the scope of Section 3 Act XX of 1863 in the Taluk of Veerambakkam.

Oodiarpalayam

1. Narrainsawmy Iyen — Karyasthanam
2. Ammi Iyengar — Archaka
3. Soorayana Pillai — Archakamillai

} Do. Do. in the Oodiarpalayam Taluk.

By order
(Signed) J. D. Sim
Secy to Govt

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.,
with copy of Board's Proceedings, 18th December 1863, No. 8,031.

Copy to J. Fraser, Esq., Collector of Trichinopoly.

Ed. J. Wright.

Pro. 26 November 1863 No 355 to 1.

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No. 205.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 20th January 1864.
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No. 894.

Submitting with remarks a letter from the Collector of Trichinopoly stating that the appointment of separate committees for each sect under Act XX of 1863 is neither necessary nor desirable.

W. Thornhill Order

No. 323.

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The Collr will republish the notification of their appointment in the District Gazette & otherwise make it generally known in the District

Fort St. George
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