

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 485

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
22nd March 1864.*

No. 245. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th March 1864:—

Read the following letter from G. BANBURY, Esq., Acting Collector of Madras, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sydapet, 27th February 1864, No. 90.

SIR,

1. With reference to the Board's Proceedings No. 745, dated 4th February 1864, I have the honor respectfully to represent that I am not in a position to obtain accurately confidential information regarding persons residing in Madras; and trust the Board will concur with me that the Police, rather than the Revenue authorities, are the proper officials to furnish details upon which Counsel may cross examine witnesses.

2. Upon receipt of the Board's orders I communicated with the Deputy Collector of Madras, who expressed his determination to do his best with the scanty means at his disposal; his servants, I may remark, are chiefly collecting Conic polies and Distraining Officers; they are persons purely connected with Revenue duties, knowing nothing about Police or Judicial work. The best man I had at my disposal was the Sydapet Police Inspector, who had formerly been under Mr. Elliot when Commissioner of Police. He at my request promised to obtain the necessary information as far as lay in his power; but the Superintendent of Police said the duty was beyond the Inspector's jurisdiction, and forbade his taking any steps in the matter. The Inspector is, I presume, bound to obey the Superintendent's orders in preference to those of the Magistrate, so that I was almost helpless in the matter.

3. Prior to the completion of the Deputy Collector's enquiries, the witnesses, I am given to understand, gave their depositions before the Small Cause Court.

Ordered to be submitted to Government, with reference to Government Order dated 8th February 1864, No. 243, Revenue Department, and in continuation of Board's Proceedings dated 4th idem, No. 745.

No. 246. ORDER THEREON, 22nd March 1864, No. 435.

Communicated to the Government Pleader.

(True Extract)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,

Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Government Pleader.

„ Board of Revenue.

„ Judicial Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Secretary to Government R.D.

