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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
14th April 1864.*

No. 232. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 1st April 1864, No. 1,905.

Read the following letter from the Collector of North Arcot, dated 16th March 1864, No. 61 :—

1. I have the honor with reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 26th August 1863, to submit a Statement showing the average annual amount of Fasljasti or second crop assessment collected on single crop well land, and the amount of second crop assessment levied on double crop well land.

2. The sacrifice of revenue under both heads is, the Board will observe, very trifling, and I certainly think that the collection of extra cess in either case is repressive of private enterprize, and a deviation from the spirit and principles of recent revenue policy.

3. The original classification of well land as double crop was so far arbitrary that it depended rather on the mere circumstance of the land under the well being then and for some previous years cultivated with two crops than on any pretended superiority of soil or command of water ; and thus the man of enterprize and industry, or who could not or would not bribe the survey officials, get harder terms than his less scrupulous and more idle neighbour. It is high time these remnants of a false system should be swept away, and I therefore beg that the Board will favor me with their early instructions with respect to these two classes of well land.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

Statement showing the amount of Fasljasti or second crop assessment collected on single crop well land, and the amount of second crop assessment levied on double crop well land in the District of North Arcot in Fusly 1268.

Name of Talook.	Fasljasti collected on one crop land.	Amount collected for 2nd crop on two crop land.	Total.
1	2	3	4
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Chittoor	710 13 1	1,403 1 0	2,113 14 1
Chendragery	432 7 8	1,355 11 7	1,788 3 3
Palmanair	165 6 2	0 15 10	166 6 0
Gudiatum	1,346 12 2	1,434 12 2	2,781 8 4
Vellore	10 14 10	84 12 9	95 11 7
Poloor	2 1 2	8 9 6	10 10 8
Wandavash... ..	199 0 0	176 6 4	375 6 4
Arcot	2 14 4	0 12 5	3 10 9
Wallajah	1,089 1 6	307 3 7	1,396 5 1
Total	3,959 6 11	4,772 5 2	8,731 12 1

North Arcot, 16th March 1864.

(Signed) J. D. ROBINSON, Collector.

1. Ordered to be submitted for the sanction of Government.

2. The Board consider the demand of Fasljasti or an occasional second crop assessment on well lands to be altogether opposed to right principle, while the effect of such a system is most partial and irregular.

3. They would not have hesitated to direct its discontinuance, but Mr. Robinson has blended with this subject a proposal to abolish that portion of the assessment on consolidated two crop well land which represents the charge on the second crop, and which proposal the Board deem it proper to submit for the sanction of Government. The total amount of taxation proposed to be relinquished is Rupees 8,731, in the proportion of Rupees 3,959, Fasljasti on occasional second crops under wells, and Rupees 4,772, portion of the consolidated assessment on well land classed as "Double crop."

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4. The Board have so repeatedly on late occasions stated at length their opinion on the question of well lands that they need only repeat that liberal treatment is necessary to place these lands on a "fair footing of equality" with new well lands classed as Poonjah, as desired by the Home Government.

5. The Board consider the correct plan to be to class all lands dependant on wells as Poonjah, but as a step in the right direction they for the present advocate the relinquishment of all second crop Nunjah assessment in such cases.

No. 233.

ORDER THEREON, 14th April 1864, No. 631.

Sanctioned as proposed by the Board of Revenue on the understanding that the wells in question are private, and not Government; property.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 1,905.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 1st April 1864.

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ENCLOSURE No. 1.

Statement showing the amount of Fasljasti or 2nd crop assessment collected on single crop well land, and the amount of 2nd crop assessment levied on double crop well land in the District of North Arcot in Fasli 1268.

NAME OF TALUK.	Fasljasti collected on one crop land.	Amount collected for 2nd crop on two-crop land.	TOTAL.
1	2	3	4
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Chittoor.....	710 13 1	1,403 1 0	2,113 14 1
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4. The Board have so repeatedly on late occasions stated at length their opinion on the question of well lands that they need only repeat that liberal treatment is necessary to place these lands on a "fair footing of equality" with new well lands classed as Punjab, as desired by the Home Government.

5. The Board consider the correct plan to be to class all lands dependant on wells as Punjab, but as a step in the right direction they for the present advocate the relinquishment of all second crop Nunjah assessment in such cases.

(True Copies and Extract.)

for Secretary.

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

Copy to J. D. Robinson, Esq., Collector of North Arcot.

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Exd. J. Wright.

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14 Copy to the Bd of Rev & J. D. S.
14-4-1864.

*Copy in a letter to Engr
of 20th May 1864*

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,
No. 867.

English
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Dated 1st April 1864.
No. 1,905.

Submitting with Board's remarks letter from the Collector of North Arcot forwarding statement showing the amount of Fasiljahi or 2nd crop assessment collected on single crop well land and the amount of 2nd crop assessment levied on double crop well land in the District in Fasiljahi.

11/6/64 - 14/6/64
William Andrew