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No. 87. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial-Railway Department, dated 26th July 1865, No. 433.

Read the following letter from R. B. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. C. ANDERSON, R. E., Consulting Engineer for Railways ; dated Madras, 13th July 1865, No. 505 :—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to forward copy of a letter from the Chief Engineer, No. 307, dated the 11th instant, having reference to the disposal of land taken up by this Company under Class C., upon which buildings have been erected that are no longer required.

2. I shall feel obliged if you will be good enough to obtain the sanction of Government, in cases of this nature, to the disposal of land and buildings by their officers, the value of the latter being refunded to this Company.

From W. G. SMART, Esq., Chief Engineer, to the Agent and Manager Madras Railway Company ; dated Madras, 11th July 1865, No. 307.

SIR,

1. There are some Bungalows and other buildings belonging to the Company at Erode, which are built upon land taken up under Class C. As we no longer require either the Bungalows or the land, we are desirous of selling the former by auction as they now stand. This we could easily effect, if we were able to guarantee a title to the lands ; but the Collector, to whom our Engineer referred the question, replied that any land not required by the Railway Company would be put up to auction, and sold to the highest bidder subject to annual assessment.

2. If this ruling is to hold in all cases where we are desirous of giving up lands taken up under Class C., and upon which substantial buildings have been erected, we shall have no alternative but either to demolish the said buildings, and realize what we can upon the movable materials, such as roof, couplings, doors and windows, or to let the building stand, and take our chance of inducing the individual who purchases the land from Government, to take over at a valuation the Company's property standing upon it. Can no arrangement be made with Government, in cases of this sort (and they will be by no means uncommon), for both land and buildings to be sold by their officers, and the value of the latter, which might be kept separate, although sold in one lot, afterwards to be refunded to the Company ? Will you refer the matter to Government for their consideration and expression of opinion.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. F. HOOPER,
For Agent and Manager.

No. 339.

Observations by the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

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2. It appears to me that there can be no objection to the arrangement suggesced by the Chief Engineer, and recommended by the Agent and Manager, being carried out, but it will, I think, be necessary, in all cases, that the Railway Officers should inform the Revenue officers of the value they set on the buildings standing on land which they may transfer, so that the Revenue Officers may be able to determine the price for which both land and building should be sold.

(Signed) J. C. ANDERSON, Lieut.-Col., R. E.,
Consulting Engineer for Railways.

BANGALORE, 17*th July* 1865.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 5th August 1865.

1. The Governor in Council approves of the suggestion of the Chief Engineer, Madras Railway Company, that lands belonging to Class C., no longer required by the Company, should be sold by the Revenue Officers with the buildings which may have been erected upon them.

2. The Railway Officers will, in all cases of the kind, inform the Revenue Officers of the value they set on the buildings which may stand on the land which the transfer, and the Revenue Officers will be guided in their conduct of the sales by the value thus affixed.

3. As, however, it must frequently happen that Railway buildings from their position will sell for prices far below the value set upon them by the Railway Officers, the Governor in Council considers that the Revenue Officer should, before the sale, decide, with reference to the value of adjoining lands, and the other circumstances of the case, what would be a fair sale value for the land; and that from the total proceeds, this value should be credited to Government, the balance being handed over, as proceeds of buildings, &c., to the Railway Company.

No. 88. ORDER THEREON, 5th August 1865, No. 1,818.

Land Revenue.

Communicated to the Revenue Board, and to all Collectors.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
To all Collectors.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Railway Department, 26th July 1865.

No. 103. Read the following letter from R. B. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to Lieutenant Colonel J. C. ANDERSON, R. E., Consulting Engineer for Railways; dated Madras, 13th July 1865, No. 505.

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(True Extract).

G. J. Cumliffe
Chief Secretary.

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~~-lating the future sale~~
~~of such Lands Vested by Re-~~
~~-venue officers.~~

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