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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
15th September 1865.*

No. 323. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 31st August 1865.

Read the following letter from C. W. READE, Esq., Collector of South Arcot, to R. A. DALYELL, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cuddalore, 7th August 1865, No. 138:—

Sir,

1. I am in receipt of the Orders of Government, No. 1,614 of the 14th July, Revenue Department, and, in accordance therewith, I have displaced the Tahsildar of Cuddalore, Govinda Row, and he is now under treatment by the Zillah Surgeon, preparatory to the Medical Certificate as required by existing orders.

2. I am sorry that Government should have thought it necessary to be so very severe upon this officer on the present occasion, as in the 4th paragraph of my letter heading the Government Proceedings now acknowledged, I had pointed out that Govinda Row had of late been more diligent and active. I have placed the Sheristadar in charge of the Talook pending further instructions.

3. The delay, so far as I am myself concerned, is capable of ready explanation; for it so happens that I was not in the District when the late Yeomiahdar died, and I had nothing whatever to do in the orders for enquiry issued in regard to the succession.

4. I am required to explain what checks are applied in my office for the purpose of ascertaining the position of the arrears of work in the Talook offices. The periodical Statements submitted by the Heads of Talooks exhibit the work performed, that which has accumulated, and that which remains undone up to date; but these are not severely scrutinized, and in view of the heavy pressure of magisterial work devolving on all Tahsildars, indulgence is usual in respect of their Revenue or Miscellaneous Returns, and in this way I presume the delay, in the case under reference, has been overlooked.

5. I regret that the Government should think the occasion to call for such very strong terms of animadversion, and that it reflects discredit on the management of my District, and I trust they may be induced to modify a censure which I feel really to be undeserved, and when I can but be conscious of how the District, in its revenue and in all other branches of its management, has progressively prospered since I had the honor of entering on its administration.

6. I still desire to press on Government a re-consideration of their orders as regard Govinda Row, pending his qualification for a pension under the Rules; and I am the more induced to do this, because the Board appear to take a much more lenient view of his conduct than that expressed by the Government, and he has always borne a high character in every respect except for dilatoriness.

7. Although Govinda Row's service extends over thirty years, his age is under fifty; and in appearance he is in the prime of life, and his term of service qualifying him for pension amount to only fifteen years, so that a Medical probation is necessary before he can be entitled to a pension.

1. Submitted to Government with reference to the Government Order quoted by the Collector. The Board observe that the periodical returns sent to the Collector's office by the Tahsildars cannot be properly checked, or a case that evidently

Further

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called for early orders would not have been allowed to remain undisposed of for so long a period.

2. With regard to the Tahsildar, it appears from Mr. Reade's present report, that Govinda Row bears a good general character, and that his main fault is his dilatory mode of doing business. As Mr. Reade is able to report thus favorably of Govinda Row, the Board trust that Government may be disposed to comply with the wish expressed by Mr. Reade in paragraph 6 of his letter, to the effect that Govinda Row should be allowed to retain his appointment as Tahsildar of Cuddalore till he has passed through the Medical probation referred to in paragraph 7 of Mr. Reade's letter, and has obtained the Medical Certificate, without which he cannot obtain a pension. It appears that Govinda Row has served only fifteen years instead of thirty-one years as was supposed, and is therefore not entitled to a pension except under a Medical Certificate.

No. 324.

ORDER THEREON, 15th September 1865, No. 2,217.

Miscellaneous.

1. As it appears that Govinda Row's service in the pension grades is not such as to entitle him to pension without Medical Certificate, and as he is now under treatment in order to obtain a Certificate, the Government will allow him to retain office to the end of the current month to allow time for sending in the necessary application.

2. The Government do not consider the Collector's explanation of the delay satisfactory. The fact of his not having been in the District when the late Yeomiah-dar died in December 1861, is no sufficient reason for his overlooking the delay in reporting the lapse up to April 1865. The hardship resulting to individuals from this system of delay must often be extreme.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
.. the Accountant General

Ed. S. T. Augustin.

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From, C. W. Reade Esq.
Collector of South Arcot.

To, R. A. Dalzell Esq.
Acting Secretary Board of Revenue
Madras.

Sir,
I am in receipt of the orders of Government No. 1614 of the 14th July, Revenue Department and in accordance therewith I have displaced the Tahsildar of Cuddalore, Govinda Row, and he is now under treatment by the Zillah Surgeon preparatory to the Medical Certificate as required, by co-existing orders.

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(One Extract.)

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As Secretary

W. Huddleston Esq
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David's address

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