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No. 229. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd June 1866, No. 4,292.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Malabar, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Calicut, 4th June 1866, No. 173 :—

1. Adverting to the Proceedings of the Board, dated 28th May 1866, No. 3,660, and with reference especially to paragraph 2 of the Government Order covered thereby, I observe that, according to the Chuttrum Rules, (dated 20th August 1829,) Government would be prepared to grant a certain extent of waste land to any Chuttrums built by private individuals under certain conditions.

Dated 3rd May 1866, No. 1,046.

2. But Government would seldom have the waste land to give in this District, the land being almost entirely private property. Generally, all Government could give would be the assessment ; and I fear few individuals will be found willing to give up an extent of land, *the simple assessment* on which would be sufficient to endow a Choultry, when the cost of building the Choultry is also to be found from private funds.

3. Before calling attention to the subject anew, I should be glad to know if Government would be likely to give a moiety towards any buildings decided to promise much benefit to the travelling public, provided private funds were forthcoming for the rest of the cost ; and land whose *rental*, including the Government assessment, was guaranteed for the endowment.

4. I think it not improbable we might get some Choultries built if these conditions are accorded.

1. Submitted for the orders of Government.

2. Mr. Ballard has neglected to reply to paragraph 2 of the Board's Proceedings, dated 28th May 1866, No. 3,660.

No. 230. Order thereon, 11th July 1866, No. 1,721.

Miscellaneous.

1. The Government do not understand the objection raised in paragraph 2 of the Collector's letter. No one is to be required to relinquish occupied land to form a Chuttrum endowment, and all that the Government can confer as endowment in any District is the assessment derivable by them from the land, and which alone is so derivable.

2. Such assessment may be assigned in the case of occupied land, that is, land in which private property exists, as easily as in the case of waste land, and may be so assigned where necessary.

3. The Government cannot undertake to contribute towards the building of Chuttrums in the manner proposed; but in the case of Chuttrums near Railway stations there would seem to be no objection to the contribution from Local Funds of a moiety of the estimated cost of a building on an approved plan, in the event of the other moiety being provided from private sources.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
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To the Board of Revenue.
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