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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
17th February 1866.*

No. 317. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 25th January 1866, No. 592.

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Do.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	13.51
Do.	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	10.02
Do.	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	17.70
Do.	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	10.08
Do.	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	10.22
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and durable boundary marks have been erected, would justify the Collector in allowing the several lots in question, which were demarcated and estimated by a Government Officer, to be sold as they are, as, in almost in every case (*vide* margin) they are less than one acre in excess of the limit of ten acres prescribed by the rules; the exceptions being lots

Nos. 1, 3 and 7. Lot No. 3, which contains 17.70 acres, includes 3.51 acres of forest land which the Collector remarks, in the pencil sketch accompanying his letter, were subsequently added.

3. The lots in question, if sanctioned to be sold as they at present exist, must have good boundary marks set up around them in accordance with Clause 3 of paragraph 3 of the second Government Order quoted above, if this has not yet been done permanently during the survey and demarcation already effected.

4. The Board would suggest that the Collector be empowered for the future to admit, on his own authority, any excess not more than one acre over the prescribed limit of each block, which may be found at the final survey, and the other cases of excess be required to be submitted to the Board, who will, if necessary, obtain the orders of Government on special cases.

No. 318.

ORDER THEREON, 17th February 1866, No. 425.

Land Revenue

1. The Government gather from the plan enclosed in the Collector's letter that the whole of the land, though divided into ten blocks, aggregating 140 acres, is applied for by a single individual. The rules permit a person to apply for two or more contiguous blocks, each not exceeding 10 acres; but it was of course intended that each block should be so laid out as to be a convenient building site. In the plan submitted it is clear that the only object in view has been to divide the whole area into blocks of the prescribed area, so as to bring the application within the letter of the rules. Many of the blocks have no means of access, and these would be useless to any one not prepared to purchase the adjoining blocks. The Government, therefore, cannot permit the sale as proposed; the land must be so laid out that each block shall approximate within reasonable limits to the prescribed area; that means of access shall be provided to it, and to other blocks adjacent to it; and that each shall form an eligible property, so far as the features of the land permit. A plan of the land shewing the blocks thus laid out will be submitted for the inspection of Government before the land is put up for sale.

2. The Government do not consider that it can be necessary now to continue the permission, temporarily accorded at the out-set, to sell lands without regular survey within the hill stations, and as the space available for building sites at the hill stations must be rapidly decreasing, it is desirable, in the interests of the community, that the stations should be mapped on a sufficiently large scale, and that the land still belonging to Government, and not requiring to be reserved for public reasons, should be carefully laid out in roads and streets; the allotments for building purposes being made out in accordance with the existing rules. This duty will require care and judgment, and may properly be undertaken by the Special Assistant Collector. The Board will arrange with the Collector and Superintendent Revenue Survey for the employment on the Neilgherries of so many Surveyors as will admit of the Maps being finished in twelve or eighteen months from this date. The Maps, when completed, will be laid before Government for their final orders.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

the Officiating Superintendent of Revenue Survey.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Rev-324/66.

He attests from this

Collector of the

10/16-1866

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Proceeding of

Survey of

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1866/1867

It seems to me that the
shape of the lot should
be more symmetrical
they should be marked out
by a good surveyor before
they are applied for. Indeed
the whole of the land must
be laid out with proper
roads reserved - J.D.

Major Branches all ... 140.65 ...

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Point ...

$N_2 = 11.02$

$N = 10.22$

$N_{10} = 10.69$

$N_8 = 10.13$

$N_1 = 13.31$

$N_{11} = 10.08$

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= 1.98 e

$N_7 = 13.24$

$N_9 = 10.61$

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3.57

$N_3 = 17.70$

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

Secretary.

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

with a Tracing.

Copy to P. Grant, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore.

Exd. J. Wright.

Revenue Department

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1/2 July 64 -- 63-64

is the true from the major
harvest. He might have
kept within the letter the
number, 12 of the accounts
became nominal additions
to the 12 already in receipt of
the same one. These brought the

Rev. 1856. Department.
Chas. Briggs, Secy

within 30 days -
 that we have not
 account of the
 in sale, "across the
 month" sufficient to
 during the time of
 the outstanding
 the 13. blacker
 at the money of
 who may come
 for one or more
 with a view to
 hundred franc
 the purchase of
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No. 592.

S-C 4625-17 July

Submitting for orders with remarks, letter from the Collector of Coimbatore desiring to know whether it is necessary to re-survey blocks of land sold in Ootacamund which on actual Survey are found to contain more or less than the limited number of 10 acres.

back ten or fifteen years
are black or most
a distinctly roman
- can build & put up to
quest on deformity -
I do not see how we
can do more than
easily / do the best

For Order

The arrangements for the sale
 of land in the Cantonments
 as the Registrar appears
 me to have been imperfectly
 understood by the Collector
 or he would never have sanc-
 tioned an application such
 as that now submitted by
 Major Mackintosh and in
 order to put a stop to such
 wholesale alienation of
 Government land I think
 it will be advisable to re-
 voked at once the permission
 granted for the sale of such
 lands previous to 1st May.
 Something more however is
 required than this, and I
 think that an order should

Cement on Glass The whole system of selling land has been very loosely
managed by Mr. Grant. If people buy the land in advance
how are they to get it then - decisions should be given for a proper survey
of the Cantonment. *W.H.*

The arrangements were broken
in the last hour of the day.
Mrs. Lewis gave a
list of the names of the residents
in the city of London at 1885
with the list of people on all-
land & a copy in the whole
of the parish - Mr. John
Smith has really a plan for
140 acres - which become
with in the rule of 8 in 10
with 13 acres! Some a
couple of acres or 3 in the
heavenly - the only like
must be getting scarce
at 1885 and 1886.

The Board, gentlemen, in their opinion have to be paid & met be admitted. I don't see how we are to secure it. The receipt of application may be the

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(Here enter 25th Jan'y. 1866
No. 592)

you directing the Collector
to take steps for the proper
survey of the different
Cantonments, the present
within which should be laid
out in blocks not exceeding
ten acres. provision being
made for securing proper
acceptance of the different
blocks. Each block will
then be put up for auction
separately, and the best
mode of dealing with the
lots would be to have per-
iodical sales say every
six months.

I think that the Cantonments. The Government
should be laid out pro-^{posed in the letter} gathered from the plan that
specify in roads & streets. The whole of the land, though
the allotments as a rule divided into ¹⁰ blocks aggrega-
tion should not exceed ten acres, but some latitude
Acres, but some latitude 140 acres, is applied
should be given to the officer
who lays out the plan. for by a single individual.
but rather add to or The rules permit a person
diminish the amount. to apply for two or more con-
provision should be tiguous blocks each not
made for additions to the exceeding 10 acres; but it
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view to finish the
whole in flower marked

W.D. W.D.

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be mapped in a sufficiently large
scale, and ~~that the~~ ^{that the}
~~in bonds of street~~ ^{land} still belonging to
the ~~and not requiring~~ ^{and not requiring}
the reserved for public use
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with the existing
rules. This duty
will require care
& judgment and
may properly be
undertaken by
the Special Asst. Col. M.
The V. M. will arrange
with the Col. &
Prof. R. S. Survey
for the employment
on the military series
of the military sur-
vey as it will ad-
vance of the maps
being printed in
12 or 18 Nos. the first
the date. The maps
when completed
will be laid before
the for their final
orders. L. D. S.

Received 1866 - Sept
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Nov 25

P. 20 of the Washington Post
Sept 26/66

P. 20 of the Orange & Blue
Sept 11/66 Oct 31/75

Of the the days of Blue
Aug 27/74 Sept 1/66
Oct 11/60

Adhering to existing
rules with care of land,
on the stipulations in
10 acre blocks

Nov 31/75 Oct 18

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