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No. 338. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 10th February 1866.

Read the following letter from the Collector of North Arcot, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Thuthipett, Gudiatum Talook, 9th February 1866, No. 31 :—

1. By the "Fort Saint George Gazette" of the 6th instant, which reached my camp last night, I learn that P. Iyalu Naidu, Deputy Collector, attached to the Coimbatore District, but temporarily employed in the Zemindary tracts of this Zillah, has been appointed to Bellary for general duty.

2. I most respectfully, but earnestly, solicit that the Board will move Government to re-consider this arrangement, which comes upon me most unexpectedly, and at a season of the year when I shall find it peculiarly difficult to make any temporary provision for the despatch of business.

3. The Government will recollect that on Iyalu Naidu leaving his charge on privilege leave, I begged that the Deputy Collector in charge of Treasury and my Senior Assistant, Mr. Snaith, might be invested with higher Magisterial powers than they now have. Government was pleased to decline acceding to this request, on the ground that a Deputy Collector in charge of a Treasury should not be trammelled with Magisterial work; and that in the case of Mr. Snaith the arrangement was not desirable until he had passed his first standard of examination.

4. My present staff may appear large on the service lists, but in so far as the Magisterial work of a heavy and criminal District is concerned, I can derive little assistance, as there are none of the Officers who have, or, under the principles which guide present appointments, would be competent to exercise, those higher Magisterial powers, who would afford me relief.

5. Towards the close of last year, the Deputy Collector in charge of the Treasury was absent from ill-health for two months, and during his absence Iyalu Naidu took the Treasury charge. Iyalu Naidoo is now in his turn absent, and all the heavier cases from the Zemindary tracts fall to my lot, in addition to the higher criminal work of the principal Division.

6. Messrs Snaith and Spedding are both of them willing and efficient Assistants, and afford me valuable aid in the heavy appeal and other work falling under the Revenue Regulations, but they cannot be of any assistance in the class of Magisterial cases, which devolve on me as Magistrate of the District.

7. During Iyalu Naidu's absence Mr. Snaith has been in general charge of his Office, but in requiring this, in addition to his own work, I have felt that I materially diminished his chances of passing at the approaching examination.

8. Meanwhile the criminal aspects of the year are most gloomy, and in the Jammabundi programme my share lies in the very farthest extremities of the District, the Talook of Chendragherry having been set down for settlement by the Zemindary Deputy to whose charge it is attached. Any change in the Jammabundi arrangements would now be attended with the greatest difficulty, and the absence of an Officer from the Zemindary tracts just as the Road Cess Act is going to be introduced into them, and Tripetty be brought under Municipal provisions, is a contingency to which I look forward with the strongest misgivings.

9. The Board are well aware how strongly I have urged the location of an experienced Covenanted Assistant in this responsible and somewhat delicate

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charge; but the cost of the new public buildings, which would have to be erected at Puttur, has hitherto been found an insurmountable obstacle to such an arrangement.

10. Sashaia Shastri, who was specially selected and gazetted to the appointment, has since been appointed elsewhere, and if Iyalu Naidu (of whose moral character and rectitude I have reason to think well) be now removed, just as he is beginning to know something of the people he has to deal with, the interests and welfare of that part of the District cannot, I fear, but materially suffer.

11. In respectfully soliciting that Government will re-consider an arrangement which leaves this charge for a further indefinite period without a special Officer, I need scarcely recall the circumstances under which it became vacant when Iyalu Naidu succeeded to it. I merely advert to the matter to shew that until a Covenanted Assistant can be placed in charge, the Native Officer selected for the post should be a man of the strictest probity, and of more than average tact and ability.

12. A glance at the map will shew that the whole length and breadth of the District separate the Zemindary charge from the point on the Salem border from which I now write.

13. Duty, connected with the succession to the Kungundi Zemindary, will very shortly call me into that far outlying corner of the District, and on my return I have, after winding up the Gudiattum Talook, to take up the settlement of that of Polur, the most southern Talook of the District, under the arrangement which prescribes that the sub-divisional Talooks come in their turn under periodical settlement by the Collector's establishment.

14. I regret to have trespassed so long on the patience of the Board, but trust that, under the reasons shewn, the Board will at once move Government to direct Iyalu Naidu on return from leave to remain where he is, until future arrangements can be re-considered.

Ordered to be submitted for the favorable consideration of Government.
The Board trust that means may be found to give Mr. Robinson effective assistance.

No. 339. ORDER THEREON, 19th February 1866, No. 436.

Miscellaneous.

1. The Government observe that Iyal Naidoo was only temporarily attached to the North Arcot District, and would, under any circumstances, have been relieved on the 3rd proximo, by the permanent incumbent, Narayana Row.
2. As the Collector has seen fit to permit Iyal Naidoo to obtain leave up to the 15th instant, it follows that he will be without a Deputy Collector for the Zemindary charge for exactly seventeen days. The Government consider that Mr. Robinson's remonstrance is unreasonable, and cannot comply with his application.
(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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North Arcot
Collectors Circuit Office
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Talook of Gudiattum
9th February 1866

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(Signed) J. D. Robinson
Collector

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Secretary

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J. D. Sim Esq.
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

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