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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
20th August 1867.

Read the following papers :—

No. 393. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 8th May 1867, No. 2,834.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Coimbatore, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd April 1867, No. 86.

I have the honor to forward, by banghy, a Title Deed, in duplicate, for land purchased by Mr. John Warburton, under the rules for the sale of waste lands on the Neilgherries, passed by the Governor in Council on the 6th March 1863, No. 178A, and request that the same may be returned to me with the seal of Government affixed. The space intended for the insertion of date at the top of the Deed should be filled up when the seal of Government is affixed.

Enclosure No. 1.—Title Deed in duplicate.

1. The area sold is given at Acres 142·17, the assessment of which, at one Rupee per acre, should be Rupees 142-2-9, whereas in the Title Deed the assessment is entered at Rupees 151-14-4.

2. The plans attached to the Deeds bear the date of their preparation in the Revenue Survey Office only. They have not been dated in the Collector's Office.

3. With reference to the Advocate General's opinion recorded in Government Order, dated 2nd April 1867, No. 762, the date of the Deed should be filled in.

4. The Title Deed in duplicate will be returned to the Collector for alteration with reference to the foregoing remarks.

No. 394. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 9th August 1867, No. 5,094.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Coimbatore, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 18th July 1867, No. 168 :—

1. With reference to Board's Proceedings of the 8th May 1867, No. 2,834, I have the honor to re-transmit the Title Deed of Mr. John Warburton's land, as well as three other Deeds, in duplicate, for lands purchased by Mr. R. F. Phillips, under the Waste Land Rules, and request that they may be returned to me with the seal of Government affixed.

Sent by banghy.

2. The amount of assessment entered in Mr. Warburton's Deed, viz., Rupees 151-14-4,* and alluded to in paragraph 1 of the Board's order under reference, is correct, as it will be observed from the plan that a portion of the land is forest, and has been accordingly assessed at 2 Rupees per acre.

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* Grass land waste, Acres 132·44, at one Rupee per acre ...	132	7	0
Forest land, Acres 9·73, at 2 Rs. per acre	19	7	4
Total ...	151	14	4

3. The omission pointed out in paragraph 3, has been duly supplied, and with regard to that referred in paragraph 2, I beg to report the difficulty I perceive

in acting up to the instructions contained in paragraph 3 of the Board's Proceedings, dated 1st May 1867, No. 2,673, wherein they direct that the date of sale is to be entered as the date of the Collector's approval of the plan. It has frequently happened that plans for lands sold on the hills have been prepared after the sales have taken place. For instance, the plan of Mr. Warburton's land was made out on the 21st April 1866, whereas the land was sold on the 7th December 1865, therefore if this latter date is taken as the date of approval by the Collector as directed by the Board, the question will naturally follow, how could the plan have been approved of before it was drawn out? The preferable course to be adopted is, I think, to enter in the plans the date of their receipt from the Survey Office as the time of approval in cases similar to the above. I request the favor of the Board's instructions on the subject, pending the receipt of which I have not entered the date of approval in the plans attached to the Deeds now submitted, but shall do so when they are returned with the seal of Government affixed.

4. In regard to the Title Deeds for Mr. Phillips' lands, I beg to state that they were the subject of correspondence, embodied in the Board's Proceedings of the 12th March 1866, No. 1,671, and 30th August 1866, No. 6,206, wherein I was directed to treat the cost of demarcation and survey as a distinct item in the case of lands sold previous to survey, according to which principle the Deeds in question have been drawn out, and the same course is followed in all similar cases.

Enclosures Nos. 1 to 4.—Title Deeds in duplicate.

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1. Ordered that the four Title Deeds, in duplicate, received with the above letter, be submitted for the seal of Government, in accordance with Rule 5 of the "Subsidiary" instructions relating to the sale of assessed waste on the Neilgherries, "Shevaroys, and in Wynaad," recorded in the Proceedings of Government, No. 1,203, dated 6th July 1861.

2. In returning the Deed numbered 85 to the Collector with their Proceedings, dated 8th May 1867, No. 2,334, the Board remarked that the plans should have been dated in the Collector's Office.

3. It had previously been laid down in Board's Proceedings, dated 1st May 1867, No. 2,673, that the date of sale should be also the date of the Collector's approval; but Mr. Grant now points out that in the present case, as in many others, the sale was effected before the plans were drawn out.

4. The Board concur in the suggestion (in paragraph 3 of his letter) that in such cases the date of the receipt of the plan from the Survey Office should be entered as that of the Collector's approval.

5. The Board observe that in the plans attached to the Deeds numbered 27, 28, and 46, the date of the Collector's approval is not given; and there is no explanation of the omission as in the former case.

6. In the Deed numbered 38, the blank spaces are not all filled up by ruled lines.

395. ORDER THEREON, 20th August 1867, No. 1,943.

Land Revenue.

Ordered that the four Title Deeds be sealed and returned.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

he Board of Revenue, with four Deeds in duplicate.

S. T. Augustin.

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No. 2174.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 9th August 1867.

No. 5,094,

Submitting for Seal of Government Title-Deeds for lands belonging to Messrs Warburton and Phillips in Coimbatore district.