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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
10th September 1868.

No. 126. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 21st August 1868, No. 6,032:—

Read the following letter from the Collector of Coimbatore, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 14th July 1868, No. 203.

With reference to the Proceedings of the Madras Government, and their Order thereon, dated 13th May 1867, No. 1,072, communicated in the Board's Proceedings of the 17th idem, I have the honor to forward copy of Memorandum from Mr. Rohde, received from Major Farewell in February 1868. My predecessor left the matter for my disposal, and I at once wrote to my Special Assistant at Ootacamund, whose report, dated 8th instant, No. 11, is herewith submitted, from which it will appear that the necessity for the exchange of land applied for by Mr. Rohde does no longer exist, and that the land belonging to Mr. Rohde, through which it was originally proposed to carry the waste channel, has passed into other hands.

Memorandum.

1. Mr. Rohde has the honor to state, in reference to Major Farewell's Memorandum of the 24th June, giving cover to Proceedings of the Board of Revenue of the 17th May, relative to his offer to accept certain waste lands adjoining his fields in lieu of lands already occupied, or which might hereafter be required for public improvements at Ootacamund, that the proposal as originally made is now of necessity cancelled, part of the land through which the waste channel was proposed having passed into other hands.

2. As regards Mr. Rohde's request, shewn in Mr. Grant's sketch, for permission to extend the frontage of his allotment at the end of the lake from the edge of the old road now disused, except as a way to his land to the vicinity of the new road a few yards below it, he still solicits this favor.

3. Should Major Farewell still think it advisable to reserve any portion of the land still remaining in Mr. Rohde's hands for a discharge channel, Mr. Rohde will afford every facility consistent with a due regard to his property in the Mill and its field.

BALMADIES ESTATE, *13th July* 1867. (Signed) J. ROHDE.

P^S.—Mr. Grant's and Major Farewell's sketches do not refer to the same ground, though both refer to the enclosure of an old road on which Mr. Rohde has frontage, and the extension of the frontage to the new roads made in their stead.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. FAREWELL, Major,
Executive Engineer.

From the Acting Special Assistant Collector, to the Collector of Coimbatore, dated Ootacamund, 8th July 1868, No. 11.

1. With reference to your letters*, dated 4th April, 15th June, 3rd July 1868, and numbered 97, 152, 178, respectively, upon the subject of the compensation to be granted to Mr. Rohde in lieu of a portion of his property at the western end of the Ootacamund lake required for the purpose of forming a new calingulah and additional escape channel for the lake waters, I have the honor to state that I have conferred with Major Farewell upon this matter, and to report for your information as follows:—

* With its enclosures herewith returned as requested, namely:—
Proceedings of the Madras Government, 13th May 1867, No. 181.
1 letter from Executive Engineer, to Collector of Coimbatore, No. 73^a, 19th February 1868, with its enclosure from Mr. Rohde.
1 map shewing old and useless road, with Mr. Grant's rough plan.

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2. In the year 1863, Ootacamund was visited by a very severe storm, which threatened to carry away the bund at the western extremity of the lake; a similar storm occurred in the month of October 1865, traces of which are yet visible in the large landslip above the hill. On 31st October 1865, a letter was addressed by Major Farewell to the Superintending Engineer reporting this occurrence, and submitting that, unless a new calingulah were constructed, there was every prospect of the lake disappearing in the next heavy storm. Another letter was forwarded by Major Farewell on 15th December 1865, together with plan and section, and estimate for the new calingulah and channel which it was proposed to take through land belonging to Mr. Rohde. To the above letter no reply was received; but Major Farewell informs me that the Superintending Engineer does not concur with him in considering a new weir and extra channel necessary.

3. It would seem, therefore, that, as the intention of taking up a portion of Mr. Rohde's land for Government purposes originated in the idea of the necessity for a new calingulah and waste channel, while this necessity has not yet been finally determined, there is no occasion for the present for me to take further steps for the acquisition of the land in question.

4. I have to request you will favor me with instructions upon this point.

5. You will observe from paragraph 1 of Mr. Rohde's communication, dated 13th July 1867, that part of his land through which it was proposed to carry the waste channel, had at that date passed into other hands. I believe that this remark is now applicable to the whole of the land originally required.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Tracing.

Submitted for the information of Government, with reference to their Proceedings, dated 13th May 1867, No. 1,072.

No. 127. ORDER THEREON, 10th September 1868, No. 2,353.

Miscellaneous.

Under the circumstances reported by the Collector, no further orders in regard to the exchange of land are needed at present. The papers will, however, be referred to Department Public Works, in view to its being determined whether or not the new weir and channel should be constructed.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Public Works Department.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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U. Under the circumstances reported by the Collector, no further orders in regard to the exchange of land are needed at present.

~~The~~ papers will, however, be referred to D. P. W., in view to its being determined whether new or not the weir and channel should be constructed.

Not

10th Sept 1868

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