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Read the following :—

No. 226. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 17th August 1868, No. 5,959.

Read the following letter from the Acting Commissioner of Neilgherries, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Ootacamund, 13th August 1868, No. 7 :—

1. It is necessary to provide an establishment for the Neilgherry Commission. I beg to send a list (A) of the establishments under the various Officers by whom the administration of Civil and Criminal Justice, and the collection of the revenues on the Neilgherries, have hitherto been carried on.

2. The Judicial Establishment costs the Government Rupees 325-8-0, as per margin. I have looked into the work done by each clerk of this Department, and though the work here is light, compared with a Civil and Session Court below, still, on an average, there are a number of suits to be tried, which must give occupation to a certain number of clerks, and I feel sure that the ministerial part of the judicial work cannot be got through with less than the following hands, viz. :—

Serishtadar.
Nazir and Record-keeper.
English Writer.
1st Gumastah.
2nd Do.

Judicial Establishment.

		Rs.	A.	P.
Serishtadar	1	100	0	0
Nazir and Record-keeper ...	2	50	0	0
English Writer	3	35	0	0
1st Gumastah	4	28	0	0
2nd Do.	5	17	8	0
3rd Do.	6	14	0	0
4th Do.	7	14	0	0
Shroff	8	10	0	0
Moochee	9	8	0	0
1st Deloyet	10	8	0	0
2nd Do.	11	8	0	0
Four Messengers	12	28	0	0
Sweeper and Mussalchee ...	13	5	0	0
Total...		325	8	0

Memorandum of Suits during 1864, 1865, 1866, *and* 1867.

On what side.	1864.	1865.	1866.	1867.	Total Suits.	Average per year.
Civil Court side.....	...	...	2	3	5	1¼
Sub-Court side.....	12	5	31	10	58	14½
District Munsiff's side...	35	60	101	63	258	64½
Small Cause Court side.	246	300	434	356	1,336	334
Total...	293	365	568	431	1,657	414¼

I hope this establishment will be found to be strong enough. The Vellore Small Cause Court Establishment is as shewn below :—

Servants of Vellore Small Cause Court.

No.	Designation.	Pay. Rs.	A.	P.	No.	Designation.	Pay. Rs.	A.	P.
1	Head Clerk	100	0	0	12	Moochee	7	0	0
2	Deputy Clerk	50	0	0	13	Head Messenger	10	8	0
3	Nazir	45	0	0	14	Messenger	7	0	0
4	English Writer	25	0	0	15	Peon	6	0	0
5	Record-keeper	24	0	0	16	Do.	6	0	0
6	First Gumastah	18	0	0	17	Do.	6	0	0
7	Second Do.	16	0	0	18	Do.	6	0	0
8	Third Do.	15	0	0	19	Sweeper	4	0	0
9	Fourth Do.	15	0	0	20	Do.	4	0	0
10	Fifth Do.	14	0	0		Total...	390	8	0
11	Sixth Do.	12	0	0					

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Ooty Sub-Magistrate's Office.

Sub-Magistrate ...	...	37	50
Gumastah ...	...	38	15
2 Peons, at 7 Rupees each ...		39	14
Rupees	...		79

Joint Magistrate's Establishment.

Clerk	...	15	40
Gumastah	...	16	25
Peon	...	21	8
Do.	...	22	8
Rupees	...	81	

3. The Sub-Magistrate's Establishment and the hands employed under the Joint Magistrate are as in the margin. The Joint Magistrate reports to me that he tries, on an average, thirty-six cases per month, and the Sub-Magistrate tries thirty per month. I propose to dispense with the Sub-Magistrate, and to appropriate his pay to an English Accountant. The Joint Magistrate can, I think, take up the Sub-Magistrate's work without any great strain. The Sub-Magistrate is an elderly man, who lost his Tahsildar's place in the Coimbatore District. His re-employment was sanctioned, in any appointment below the grade of Tahsildar, in Government Order, dated 8th April 1868, No. 943. Mr. Wedderburn has authorized me to say that he will try and find him a Serishtadar's place in his district.

4. The hands under the Joint Magistrate really belong to the Special Assistant's Establishment. The Joint Magistrate is willing to spare the Gumastah (16) if he can have the Dufterbund (20) of the Special Assistant's Establishment who gets 10 Rupees a month, and who would be of sufficient assistance to the Clerk (15) still remaining to the Joint Magistrate. I propose, therefore, that the Joint Magistrate's Establishment should for the future be as follows :—

Joint Magistrate and Sub-Assistant's Establishment.

Head Clerk	...	14	70
Under Joint Magistrate—Second Clerk	...	15	40
Do. Gumastah ...		16	25
Waste Land Clerk	....	17	70
1 Demarcation Peon	....	18	10
2 Do.	....	19	10
Dufterbund	....	20	10
Under Joint Magistrate—1 Peon	....	21	8
Do. 2 Do.	...	22	8
Mussalchee	....	23	7
Rupees	....	258	

					Rs.		
Clerk ...	...	....	....	....	40	(15)	
Dufterbund ...	...	....	....	....	10	(20)	
2 Peons ...	...	....	....	....	16	(21)	(22)
Mussalchee	...	...	....	....	7	(23)	

I propose to abolish the office of Gumastah (16) on 25 Rupees spared by the Joint Magistrate.

* Head Clerk... ...	Rupees 70	(14)	
Waste Land Clerk ...	,, 70	(17)	
2 Demarcation Peons, at 10 Rs. each	... 20	(18)	(19)

5. The remainder* of the Special Assistant's Establishment I propose to merge in the General Establishment as hereafter shown.

6. Mr. Wedderburn's Head Accountant has explained to me the Returns and Accounts that have to go to the Board, the Accountant General, and others. I need hardly say that it will be impossible to render these Returns and Accounts, to provide the Magistrate with a Clerk, and to conduct the general correspondence of

the Office with the remainder of the Special Assistant's Establishment enumerated in the foregoing paragraph.

7. The abolition of the Civil and Session Court, and the appointment of a Commissioner, was to involve (I believe) no extra expense. I can conceive of but one way in which this can be done, and that is, by merging the Talook Establishment in the Huzoor, and locating all under one roof. The Talook Cutcherry* could easily be rendered a convenient office for the Joint Magistrate, and the wing of the public building, now occupied by the latter, would hold the Talook Establishment.

* It is just possible that the Public Buildings might hold the Joint Magistrate as well as the Talook Establishment when the Talook Cutcherry would be available for a Subsidiary Jail, but at present I cannot say positively whether there will be room for the Joint Magistrate.

8. If the amalgamation of the Talook Establishment with the Huzoor be approved, there will be less work to be done and fewer hands will suffice. Last year the Tahsildar wrote 835 Urzees to the Collector, and received 1,261 Takeeds from him. The major part, if not all, of these might be dispensed with if the Tahsildar were under the same roof with me. The hills form but one talook. A number of the Accounts now rendered by the talook, if not in the actual shape, form at any rate the basis of the Returns and Accounts prepared in the Huzoor. Forms printed in Tamil and English would enable the Talook Gumastahs to prepare, once for all, many of the Returns and Accounts in the shape in which they have to leave the Huzoor.

9. I would suggest, therefore, the appointment of a couple of good English Accountants in the place of the present Talook Serishtadar, who is a man of 34 years service and willing to retire, and of the Sub-Magistrate, whose office I propose (in paragraph 3 *ante*) to abolish.

The Head Clerk in the Special Assistant's Establishment (to be henceforth called Serishtadar and first Accountant) would be able, with the assistance of the two Accountants, to prepare the monthly and annual Averzas, the monthly Treasury Accounts, the Budgets, the Deposit Account Particulars, and such like Returns, which require to be collated and arranged from the Bank Daily Chittah and Talook materials.

10. The Board are aware of the disheartening circumstances affecting the residence of natives on these hills. The rigor of the climate, the expense of living and other things, are always operating to deprive offices up here, of the best native Clerks, who are glad to get away to equal or inferior posts on the plains. In order to form a fund by which to procure a fresh hand or two, and to supplement the pay of others on whom more work will now devolve, I propose the abolition of certain offices, and a diminution in the number of Peons. The sum thus procured, will not, however, alone be sufficient for the purpose, and I trust, therefore, that the Board will support my application, to be permitted to retain the 50 Rupees a month by which the Ootacamund Talook Establishment was ordered to be reduced in Proceedings of the Board of 6th January last.

* Present Establishment of Peons.

	Rs.
1 Duffadar	10
Court Peons, 2 on 8 Rupees each	16
,, 4 on 7 ,, ,, ...	28
Talook Peons, 17 on 7 Rupees each	119
Sub-Magte's Peons, 2 on 7 ,, ,, ...	14
	187

Proposed Establishment.

	Pay.	
Duffadar	Rs. 11	For Commissioner.
3 Peons on 8 Rupees each.	,, 24	
Duffadar	,, 10	,, Assistant Commissioner.
2 Peons on 8 Rupees each.	,, 16	
Duffadar.	,, 10	,, Tahsildar.
11 Peons on 8 Rupees each.	,, 88	
	Rs. 159	

11. The offices to be abolished are in A, numbered:—

No. 6	14	Rupees pay.
,, 7	14	,, ,,
,, 8	10	,, ,,
,, 13	5	,, ,,
,, 16	25	,, ,,
,, 19	10	,, ,,
,, 25	60	,, ,,
,, 37	50	,, ,,
Saving* by diminution of No. of Peons.	28	,,
50 Rupees retained, see paragraph 10 ...	50	,,
Total...	266	,,

I propose to distribute the 266 Rupees as follows:—

Rupees 25 to make up Tahsildar's pay to Rupees 250.
,, 65 for an English Accountant.
,, 50 for do. do.
,, 28 for a Magistrate's Clerk.
,, 35 for a Demarcation do.
,, 30 for an Head Gumastah who knows some English.
,, 10 to add to present Head Clerk's pay, making it 80 Rupees.
,, 10 to add to Correspondence Clerk's pay, making it 80 Rupees.
,, 5 to Nazir and Record-keeper, making his pay 55 Rupees. He will henceforth have the charge of Revenue as well as Judicial Records.
,, 4 to Moochee, to raise his pay to 12 Rupees.
,, 2 to 4th Gumastah, to raise his pay to 17 Rupees.
,, 2 one each to Sweeper and Musalchee, making their pay 7 Rupees.

Rupees 266

12. The lowest grade of Police Constable on the Hills gets 9 Rupees, *plus* clothing and a cumbly. The Tahsildar tells me he has great difficulty in getting any man to be a Peon on Rupees 7, although he also gets clothing and a cumbly in addition. Two Court Peons have been vacant for some time, and the Tahsildar, although repeatedly asked, says he really cannot get respectable men for 7 Rupees. Under these circumstances, I hope the Board will approve of the diminution in the number of Peons and of the addition to the pay of the remainder.

† List. A	Rs.	A.	P.	List B.	Rs.	A.	P.
Judl. Estabt. ...	325	8	0	.....	247	0	0
Sub-Asst.'s Estabt.	258	0	0	Joint Magt. ...	73	0	0
Talook Estabt. ...	571	0	0	Huzoor Estabt.	903	0	0
Town Sub-Magt.'s Estabt.	79	0	0				
Coonoor Sub-Magt.'s Estabt.	85	0	0	Coonoor Sub-Magt.	85	0	0
Wellington Joint-Magt.'s Estabt....	132	0	0	Wellington Joint Magt.	132	0	0
Total ...	1,450	8	0	Total ...	1,505	8	0

Rupees 55-0-0 Increase.

Explanation of Increase.

Rupees 50 as per paragraph 13.
,, 5 for Toty, sanctioned by Board in Proceedings, dated 27th July 1868, No. 5,442.

13. I append a list † (B) shewing the designation and pay of the Establishment under the amalgamation suggested. The column of red numbers in B. shews the position which each individual in A. will hold in the amalgamated establishment.

14. Thus, with the exception of the retention of the 50 Rupees applied for in paragraph 10, and of the 10 Rupees now drawn by the Court Shroff, whose office is ordered to be abolished from the 1st proximo, I propose forming an establishment for the Hill Commission from the existing establishments here. But I confess I fear I shall find myself still short-handed, more especially if I am deprived of the services of the Tahsildar, of whose local knowledge and special fitness for this place the Board are perhaps aware. He has already got an offer from Mr. Thomas, of the vacant post of Huzoor Serishtadar in Canara. For a native, he is remarkably robust and indifferent to the climate here, and I believe he would be willing to remain if his pay (as I suggest) could be made up to 250 Rupees, to which he might fairly lay claim for the combined office of Huzoor Serishtadar and Tahsildar, which office he will have to fill if the Board approve of my proposal of amalgamating the Talook with the Huzoor.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
16th September 1868.

15. The 10 Rupees added to the pay of the Special Assistant's Head Clerk and the Correspondence Clerk will, I hope, enable me to retain their services in their present posts, on which additional work will now devolve.

16. With regard to the proposed Demarcation Clerk on 35 Rupees. The demarcation of estates under the Waste Land Rules has, hitherto, been the work of the Special Assistant with the aid of two Peons on 10 Rupees each. The establishment is altogether unequal to the task, and to prevent future disputes, while we are clearing off arrears, it seems to me most necessary that, after the Assistant Commissioner, or I have seen and sanctioned the sale of the ground about to be demarcated, the actual labor of the demarcation, from beginning to end, should be carried out in the presence of the applicant, and of an upper subordinate in my Office, to look after Government interests, and of a similar subordinate in the Survey Department, to secure the demarcation being carried out, so as to meet the requirements of the Surveyor.

17 Mr. Wedderburn proposes to hand over the cash balances from the 1st proximo, and to render the accounts appertaining to the Neilgherries for this month from his Office, as heretofore. The month is half over. To enable me to get the necessary hands for the work here, I request early orders. If the Board approve of Mr. Wedderburn's proposal, I had better give the public notice that all payments appertaining to the hills, and hitherto paid by order of the Collector's Treasury, will, from the 1st proximo, be paid by order of the Commissioner.

A. Present Establishment on the Neilgherries.						B. Proposed Establishment.		
Judicial Establishment.		Rs.	A.	Rs.	A.			*Judicial Establishment.*
Serishtadar	1	100	0	100	0		1	Serishtadar.
Nazir and Record-keeper ...	2	50	0	55	0		2	Nazir and Record-keeper.
English Writer	3	35	0	35	0		3	English Writer.
1st Gumastah	4	28	0	28	0		4	1st Gumastah.
2nd Do.	5	17	8	17	8		5	2nd Do.
3rd Do.	6	14	0	12	0		9	Moochee (to all departments).
4th Do.	7	14	0					
Shroff	8	10	0					
Moochee	9	8	0					
1st Deloyet	10	8	0					
2nd Do.	11	8	0					
Four Messengers...	12	28	0					
Sweeper and Mussalchee	13	5	0					
		325	8	247	8	...		Total of Judicial Establishment.
Joint Magistrate and Sub-Assistant's Establishment.								*Joint Magistrate's Establishment.*
Head Clerk	14	70	0	40	0		15	Clerk.
Second Do.	15	40	0	10	0		20	Dufterbund.
Gumastah	16	25	0	16	0	21, 22		2 Peons, on 8 Rupees each.
Temporary Establishment. {Waste Land Clerk...	17	70	0	7	0		23	Mussalchee.
{1. Demarcation Peon	18	10	0					
{2. Do. do.	19	10	0	73	0			
Dufterbund	20	10	0					
1 Peon	21	8	0					
2 Do.	22	8	0	250	0		24	*Huzoor Establishment.*
Mussalchee	23	7	0	80	0		14	Huzoor Serishtadar and Tahsildar.
		258	0	65	0			1st Accountant.
				50	0			2nd Do. (vacant.)
				80	0		17	3rd Do. (vacant.)
Talook Establishment.				30	0			Correspondence Clerk.
Tahsildar	24	225	0	25	0		26	1st Gumastah. (vacant.)
Serishtadar	25	60	0	20	0		27	2nd Do.
1st Gumastah	26	25	0	17	0		28	3rd Do.
2nd Do.	27	20	0	15	0		29	4th Do.
3rd Do.	28	15	0	15	0		30	5th Do.
4th Do.	29	15	0	30	0		31	6th Do.
5th Do.	30	15	0	25	0		32	7th Do.
1st Revenue Inspector	31	30	0	28	0			1st Revenue Inspector.
2nd Do. do.	32	25	0	35	0			2nd Do. do.
Duffadar	33	10	0	10	0		16	Magistrate's Clerk (vacant.)
17 Peons at 7 Rs. each	34	119	0	11	0		33	Demarcation do. (vacant.)
Sweeper	35	6	0	24	0			Do. Peon.
Mussalchee	36	6	0	10	0			Duffadar.
		571	0	16	0			3 Peons, on 8 Rs. each. } For Commissioner
				10	0			Duffadar.
Ooty Town Sub-Magistrate's Office.				88	0			2 Peons, on 8 Rs. each. } ,, Asst. Comr.
				7	0			Duffadar.
				7	0			11 Peons, on 8 Rs. each } ,, Tahsildar.
				5	0			Sweeper.
Sub-Magistrate	37	50	0					Mussalchee.
Gumastah	38	15	0	968	0			Toty, sanctioned by Board in Proceedings, 27th July 1868, No. 5,442.
2 Peons, at 7 Rs. each	39	14	0					
		79	0					

From Nos. 10, 11, 12, 34, and 35.

Present Establishment on the Neilgherries.—*(Concluded.)*			Proposed Establishment.—*(Concluded.)*
Coonoor Sub-Magistrate's Office.	Rs.	Rs.	*Coonoor Sub-Magistrate's Office.*
Sub-Magistrate	50	50	Sub-Magistrate.
Gumastah	15	15	Gumastah.
2 Peons, at 7 Rs. each	14	14	2 Peons, at 7 Rs. each.
Sweeper	6	6	Sweeper.
	85	85	
Wellington Joint Magistrate's Office.			*Wellington Joint Magistrate's Office.*
Clerk	50	50	Clerk.
2nd Clerk	35	35	2nd Clerk.
3rd Do.	20	20	3rd Do.
3 Peons, at 7 Rs. each	21	21	3 Peons, at 7 Rs. each.
1 Mussalchee	6	6	1 Mussalchee.
	132	132	

1. This letter has crossed the Proceedings of the Board, dated 13th August 1868, on the subject of the remodelling of the Neilgherry Establishment, and the Board will therefore await the Acting Commissioner's further communication.

2. Paragraph 17 of Mr. Brecks's letter will be communicated to the Accountant General for his remarks.

No. 227. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th September 1868.

Read again letter from the Commissioner of the Neilgherries, dated 13th August 1868, and recorded in the Board's Proceedings, dated 17th August 1868, No. 5,959.

Read also the following letter from the Collector of Coimbatore, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Coimbatore, 20th August 1868, No. 228.

1. I had the honor to receive the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 13th August 1868, requesting me to place at the disposal of the Commissioner, Neilgherry Hills, the services of Cooppa Row, Deputy Collector, to organize a Treasury Department under that Officer, and to report whether any portion of my Revenue Establishment can be transferred to Commissioner.

2. Instructions have been issued to Deputy Collector Cooppa Row according to paragraph 1 of the Board's Proceedings.

3. As regards paragraph 2, I have the honor to observe that the transfer of the Neilgherry Hills has relieved the district of one talook and of a revenue amounting to Rupees 92,716 annually.

	Rs.	
Land Revenue including Miscellaneous for Fusly 1277	34,389	
License Tax	3,678	
Stamp Revenue	14,649	
	52,716	
Abkarry Revenue as rented for Fusly 1277	40,000	
	92,716	

4. The supervision of the Neilgherry Talook was entrusted to a Special Assistant Collector, and the subordinate duties to a 2nd Class Tahsildar and two Deputy Tahsildars, who, with their establishments, have been transferred to the

Commissioner. The Special Assistant Collector prepared the Title Deeds, and generally transacted all the original revenue business of the Hills, under the control of the Collector.

5. The transfer of the Hills to the Commissioner has relieved the Account Department of the Collector of the task of accounting for the revenue of one talook.

6. There still remain ten talooks in the District of Coimbatore, which in size, population, and revenue, retains its position as a large province among the Madras Collectorates.

7. The staff of all the departments in the Collector and Magistrate's Office and in the talooks has been reduced by Mr. Pelly to the smallest scale compatible with efficiency.

8. I am consequently unable to point out any portion of the establishment of Coimbatore which can be transferred to the Neilgherry Hills.

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1. Ordered that the foregoing papers be submitted to Government.

2. In the first of the letters above recorded, Mr. Brooks proposes a re-organization of his Revenue and Judicial Establishments to suit the altered circumstances of the Neilgherries.

3. The establishment attached to his Court now costs Rupees 325½ monthly. Mr. Brooks proposes to reduce this to Rupees 247½, leaving out Peons and Messengers who are to be borne on the General Establishment. This seems to the Board to provide for as moderate a staff as can efficiently perform the work of the Court.

4. The Revenue and Magisterial and Talook Establishments of Ootacamund are set down by Mr. Brooks as now costing Rupees 908* per mensem. The Board think, however, that Mr. Brooks is in error in including the Waste Lands Clerks and two Demarcation Peons. These servants are only temporarily entertained, and have therefore been excluded from the list of present and proposed establishments. The Sweeper sanctioned in the Proceedings of Government, dated 11th August 1868, has been on the other hand included. These alterations make the cost of the present permanent establishment Rupees 823.† The establishment proposed by Mr. Brooks will cost Rupees 996, or Rs. 173 more per mensem. The net increase after deducting the saving in the Court establishment will be Rupees 95 monthly.

	Rs.
* Special Assistant Collector's Establishment	168
Talook Establishment	571
Sub-Magistrate's Establishment at Ooty	79
Temporary Demarcation Establishment	90
	908

	Rs.
† Establishment as shewn by Mr. Brooks	908
Deduct temporary Demarcation Establishment...	90
	818
Add the pay of Toty	5
	823

5. Mr. Brooks proposes to give the Joint Magistrate an establishment costing Rupees 73 per mensem. At present he has assigned to him a portion of the Special Assistant's establishment costing Rupees 81. Assuming it to be the intention of Government to continue the appointment of Joint Magistrate, the proposed establishment is very moderate. The Joint Magistrate's Office is in the same building as the Commissioner's, and the Mussalchee should be borne on the General Establishment

and the separate Mussalchee provided at present for the Joint Magistrate's Office dispensed with.

6. Mr. Brooks next proposes to merge the talook into what remains of the Huzoor Establishment, to abolish the Town Sub-Magistracy, and with the proceeds, so far as they go, to provide one General Establishment for himself and his Assistant.

7. At present there is a regular Talook Establishment with a Tahsildar, Serishtadar, &c., as usual in other talooks. Under Mr. Brooks's scheme, the Tahsildar will also be Huzoor Serishtadar, and it is proposed to raise his pay from Rupees 225 to Rupees 250 per mensem.

8. Under the new arrangements, the Tahsildar will have no Magisterial work at all. The whole of the most onerous part of his revenue duties, viz., those in which European settlers are concerned, will also be undertaken by the Commissioner. The Tahsildar, therefore, will have little to do, save deal with petty revenue details. The total number of Puttahs on the Hills is under 3,000. The Abkarry is rented out, the Stamp Department involves little trouble, there are neither Customs nor Salt Duties. The Board, therefore, are of opinion that the Office of Tahsildar may altogether be dispensed with. It will be necessary to modify and simplify the system of Revenue Accounts.

9. The Town Sub-Magistrate is certainly quite unnecessary.

10. The establishment proposed by Mr. Brooks will, as stated above, cost Rupees 996 per mensem, or Rupees 95 more than is available. The Government have, however, stated that the new arrangements are to involve no additional expense. Mr. Brooks reclaims a reduction of 50 Rupees made in the Proceedings of Government, dated 20th January 1868, No. 149; but as this was in consequence of the transfer of the treasury to the branch of the Bank of Madras at Ooty, this arrangement does not seem to the Board practicable.

11. The Board consider that when once the business of the talook has been placed on a proper footing, the establishment proposed by them, as shewn in the accompanying Statement, will prove sufficient. The cost of this establishment amounts to Rupees 1,385-8-0, as shewn in the margin. The sanction of Government is requested for this establishment. There would seem now to be considerable arrears, and some confusion has no doubt been caused by part of the work being conducted by the Special Assistant at Ooty, and part by the Collector himself at Coimbatore. This, however, Mr. Brooks will soon rectify, and when once matters are set right, the actual current work will not be heavy. The survey alone will admit of speedily and finally settling numerous disputes which have hitherto caused much trouble and correspondence.

	Rs.
Judicial Establishment...	254½
Joint Magistrate's Establishment at Ooty.	66
Huzoor Establishment	828
Coonoor Sub-Magistrate's Establishment.	105
Joint Magistrate's Establishment at Wellington	132
	1,385½

12. The Board would strongly urge the retention, for the current official year, of the present Tahsildar on a salary of 250 Rupees. His local knowledge will be of great value to the Commissioner, and the additional expense of 50 Rupees can be met as a temporary charge out of Budget savings. The sanction of Government is requested for the additional charge up to 31st March 1869.

13. The Board would propose no alterations in the Sub-Magistracies of Wellington and Coonoor. These Officers have not much work as Magistrates, and their services in their capacities of Deputy Tahsildars should be freely utilized in the Revenue Department.

14. The Waste Lands Establishment will continue as at present so long as it may be actually required.

15. The Board do not consider any reduction can be made in the Office of the Collector of Coimbatore on account of the removal of the Neilgherries from his charge. The additional work was really trifling, and the district is still a very large one, and has just the same establishment as others of its present size.

No. 228. ORDER THEREON, 16th September 1868, No. 2,402.

Miscellaneous.

1. The Board submit, with their opinion, the proposals of the Commissioner of the Neilgherries for the re-organization of the Judicial and Revenue Establishments under his control.

2. The present establishments consist of sixty-nine individuals at a cost of Rupees 1,385½. Mr. Breeks proposes to abolish the office of Ooty Sub-Magistrate and the separate Talook Establishment, to make certain reductions in the Judicial and Joint Magistrate's Establishments, and to form a new Huzoor Establishment. These proposals, while reducing the total strength to sixty individuals, increase the cost to Rupees 1,460½, the net additional cost being Rupees 95 per mensem. As, however, it is desirable that the new arrangements should not involve any additional charge beyond the necessary travelling expenses and tent allowance of the Commissioner, the Board have revised the scale proposed by Mr. Breeks, so as to bring it within the present cost, viz., Rs. 1,385½. The establishments, as recommended by the Board of Revenue, are sanctioned. A copy of the detailed Statement furnished by the Board of Revenue will be transmitted to the Accountant General for his information, and these alterations will be reported to the Government of India for their confirmation in the usual monthly Statement.

	Present.		Now sanctioned.	
	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.
Judicial Establishment ...	16	325½ -	7	254½ -
Joint Magistrate's do. ...	8	173 -	4	66 -
Talook Establishment ...	29	571 -	...	.....
Huzoor do. ...	...	.....	31	828 -
Ooty Sub-Magistrate ...	4	79 -	...	.....
Coonoor do. ...	5	105 -	5	105 -
Wellington Joint do. ...	7	132 -	7	132
Total...	69	1,385½	54	1,385½

3. The Government also sanction the retention of the present Tahsildar up to the end of the current official year, on a salary of Rupees 250 per mensem. The Government presume he will be appointed Commissioner's Serishtedar on the salary of Rupees 200, and that the excess of Rupees 50, up to 31st March 1869, be met out of the savings in the Budget.

4. The Governor in Council does not concur in the remark made by the Board of Revenue at the close of their Proceedings, to the effect that the additional work entailed on the establishment of the Coimbatore Collectorate, by the business arising on the Neilgherry Hills, was really trifling. It is to be inferred,

from the amount of arrears which the Commissioner has to dispose of, that for some years past the administrative work on the Neilgherries has been by no means inconsiderable. At the same time, the Government do not question the correctness of the opinion expressed by the Board, in concurrence with the Collector of Coimbatore, that a smaller establishment than that assigned to the latter district would be insufficient.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Accountant General, with Statement.
,, the Judicial Department, do.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Neelgherry Establishment

Present Establishment	Number	Amount Rs	As proposed by Mr Breeks	Number	Amount Rs	As proposed by the Board	Amount Rs
			Judicial Establishment				
Sheristadar	1	100	Sheristadar	1	100	Sheristadar	100
Nazir & Record Keeper	1	50	Nazir & Record Keeper	1	55	Nazir & Record Keeper	55
English writer	1	35	English writer	1	35	English writer	35
Gomastah	1	28	Gomastah	1	28	Gomastah	28
Do	1	17½	Do	1	17½	Do	17½
Do at 14 Rs each	2	28	Do	1	12	Do	12
Shroff	1	10				Attender	7
Moochea	1	8					
Dalayets at 8 Rs each	2	16					
Messengers at 7 Rs Do	4	28					
Sweeper & Masalgee	1	5					254½
	16	325½			247½		
Joint Magistrate & Special Assistant Collector Establt			Joint Magistrate Establishment at Coty			Joint Magistrate Establishment at Coty	
Head Clerk	1	70	Head Clerk	1	40	Head Clerk	40
Clerk	1	40	Duftaburnd	1	10	Duftaburnd	10
Do	1	25	Peons at 8 Rs each	2	16	2 Peons at 8 Rs each	16
Moochea	1	10	Masalgee	1	7		
Attenders at 8 Rs each	2	16					
Peon	1	7					
Ditto	1	5					66
	8	173 5			73 4		
Taluq Establishment			Huzur Establishment			Huzur Establishment	
Tahsildar	1	225	Sheristadar & Tahsildar	1	250	General Manager	250
Sheristadar	1	60	Accountant	1	80	Account Department	
Gomastah	1	25	Do	1	65	Head Accountant	75
Do	1	20	Do	1	50	2d Do	50
Do at 15 Rs each	3	45	Correspondence Clerk	1	80	3d Do	40
Inspector	1	30	Gomastah	1	30	English & Ver. Department	
Do	1	25	Do	1	25	Head writer	75
Duffadar	1	10	Do	1	20	Writer	50
Peons at 7 Rs each	17	119	Do	1	17	Do	40
Masalgee	1	6	Do at 15 Rs each	3	45	Do at 30 Rs each	60
Sweeper	1	6	Revenue Inspector	1	30	Do at 20 Rs " -	40
	1		Do	1	25	Revenue Inspector	30
			Magisterial Clerk	1	28	Do	25
	29	671 15			745 13		685

Number	Present Establishment	Amount	Number	As proposed by Mr Brooks	Amount	Number	As proposed by the Board	Amount
29		571	15		745	13		685
			1	Duffadar	11	1	Duffadar	12
			3	Peons at 8 Rs each	24	14	Peons at 8 Rs each	112
			1	Duffadar	10	1	Sweeper	7
			2	Peons at 8 Rs each	16	1	Masalgee	7
			1	Duffadar	10	1	Toby	5
			11	Peons at 8 Rs each	88			
			1	Sweeper	7			
			1	Masalgee	7			
			1	Toby	5			
29		571	37		923	31		828
	Catty Sub Magistrate							
1	Sub Magistrate	50						
1	Gomastah	15						
2	Peons at 7 Rs each	14						
4		79						
	Coonoor Sub Magistrate							
1	Sub Magistrate	70	1	Sub Magistrate	60	1	Sub Magistrate	70
	Gomastah	15	1	Gomastah	15	1	Gomastah	15
2	Peons at 7 Rs each	14	2	Peons at 7 Rs each	14	2	Peons at 7 Rs each	14
1	Masalgee	6	1	Sweeper	6	1	Sweeper	6
5		105	5		85	5		105
	Wellington Joint Magistrate							
1	Clerk	50	1	Clerk	60	1	Clerk	50
1	Do	35	1	Do	35	1	Do	35
1	Do	20	1	Do	20	1	Do	20
3	Peons at 7 Rs each	21	3	Peons at 7 Rs each	21	3	Peons at 7 Rs each	21
1	Masalgee	6	1	Masalgee	6	1	Masalgee	6
7		132	7		132	7		132
69		1385½	60		1460½	54		1385½

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Acting Secretary

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Rev.l Department

A-2402

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 16th September 1868 A-2402

Read the following
Proc. of the Bd of Revenue-

Subg with the Bd's opi-
-nion papers on the subject
of the reorganization of the Revl
& Judicial estabts to suit the
altered circumstances of the
Neilgherries.

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The Board, sub-
-mit with their opinion the
proposals of the Commis-
-sioner of the Neilgherries
for the reorganization of
the Judicial and Revenue
Establishments ~~attached~~
~~to the Hills~~ under his control

2. The present esta-
-blishments consist of 69
individuals

Dr Underwood
Can find his minutes
& write out these
and settle draft
WHS.

Work

Committee Rep. to the Bd of
Revl & Mad Govt for A-2402
Subject dated 15th Sept 1868 &c

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Sub. of the present
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Joint Magistrates Offs.	8	143	4	88
Talook Establishment	29	571	"	"
" Offs.	"	"	31	828
Auzur "	4	79	"	"
Coty Sub Magistrate	5	105	5	105
Cooroo "	"	"	"	"
Collingherry Joint Offs.	1	132	1	132
	89	1385½	54	1385½

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Savings in the Budget—

Estimated Actual

The Governor General
does not assume in the
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the close of the
proceedings of the
Session but the
estimates of work
executed in the
Interior of the
Province during the
Year 1869 which
is the principal item
in the amount of arrears
which will be due by
the Province at the end
of the year for
advances made by the
Dominion Government
on the Progress
Estimates of the
Year 1869

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work performed in carrying
out the provisions
of the Act and the Board is answerable
with the Minister of
Customs that a
sufficient establishment
of men shall be employed at the
Outports. Distress would
be unnecessary.

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