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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 2nd October 1868.

No. 33. Read the following letter from the Officiating Government Pleader, Madras, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 22nd September 1868, No. 153:—

Proceedings of Government, Revenue Deparment, dated 11th September 1868, No. 2,362.

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Proceedings of Government, noted in the margin, requesting me to advise as to the measures to be adopted to preserve the endowments of the choultries at Vadamalpett and elsewhere, which were founded by the late Collah Singana Chetty, and to insure the proper application of them, with reference to the deeds adverted to in the Proceedings of Government above noted, and to the Regulation No. VII of 1817.

2. As I understand the state of facts relating to the charities established by the late Collah Singana Chetty, it is as follows:—The late C. V. Conniah Chetty was the last heir of the founder, Collah Singana Chetty. In his lifetime and down to the date of his death, the late C. V. Conniah Chetty continued to administer those charities. He died sometime in or about the year 1860, leaving a Will, and an infant son and infant daughter, who are still under age. Since his death the Executors and Trustees under his Will continued to administer the charities, until they were stopped by an Injunction of the High Court, under the directions of which Court the Estate of the late C. V. Conniah Chetty is being administered. The Receiver appointed by the Court will not either administer the charities himself, or permit the local agents, appointed to administer them, to receive the accumulations of interest payable by the Government in respect of the endowments. Thus, while on the one hand there is no successor of the late Collah Singana Chetty competent to make sufficient provision for the management of the charities, the Receiver of the Estate of his late heir, C. V. Conniah Chetty, declines for the present to interfere with the administration of them. The charities are, therefore, left without any management, and the choultries and buildings have got into disrepair.

3. In this state of circumstances, it is my opinion that the Board of Revenue, with the sanction of Government, should, under Section 3 of Regulation VII of 1817, provide for the due repair and maintenance of so much and such parts of the chuttrums and buildings as are or can be rendered conducive to the convenience of the community, and are calculated, if repaired, to afford material accommodation to the public. The best provision that suggests itself to me is to pay for such repairs out of the accumulations of interest in the hands of Government.

4. I have further the honor to advise that, under the 12th and 13th Sections of Regulation VII of 1817, (there being now no private person competent to make sufficient provision for the management of the charities,) the Board of Revenue should proceed to appoint a Manager or Superintendent of the charities during the minority of the son of the late C. V. Conniah Chetty, or until such time as the High Court or some Court of competent jurisdiction directs the Receiver of the late C. V. Conniah Chetty's Estate, or some other person, to administer them.

5. It would be desirable, however, that, before pursuing the course indicated by me in paragraphs 3 and 4 of this letter, notice should be given to the Receiver of the late C. V. Conniah Chetty's Estate, and also to the infant son of C. V. Conniah

Chetty himself, through his Guardian, Juldoo Kitchoo Chetty, (who is a Cash-keeper in the Office of the Commissioner of Police at Madras,) of the intention of the Board of Revenue to pursue such course.

No. 34. ORDER THEREON, 2nd October 1868, No. 2,531.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue for information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

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

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To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Government Pleader.

Cond. the Coll. of Chingleput, who will at once act on Standing 5 of Sec. 2 for Parties Info, & report the result for the Bd's Information.

1st Oct/68

Exd S. T. Augustin.

Govt. of {1868} Madras.

REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

&c., &c., &c.

Dated October, 2nd.

Recd.

G. O., 2nd October 1868, No. 2,551.

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Conniah Chetty's Choultries in North Arcot.—Government Pleader's letter suggesting measures to be adopted for the preservation of the Endowments, communicated to Revenue Board for information and guidance.