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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 1114 Press Mis.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 26th April 1869.

No. 510. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th March 1869, No. 1,479 :—

Read the following letter from J. W. BREEKS, Esq., Commissioner of the Neilgherry Hills, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Ootacamund, 11th January 1869, No. 4.

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge Proceedings of Board, of 1st December 1868, No. 8,434, calling upon me to state what establishment is maintained at each Chuttrum in this district, from what sources the salaries of the servants and the other expenses are drawn, and from what funds the Chuttrums were built.

2. I append a tabular statement with the information required.

3. I beg to forward a letter from the Executive Engineer on the condition of these Chuttrums, in consequence of there being nobody in charge of them, and would respectfully refer the Board to my letters of 30th September 1868, No. 33, and of 25th November 1868, No. 75. It seems to me very desirable that some one person should be in charge of each Chuttrum, and for this purpose I am still of opinion that a trifling money-salary, with a small potato plot, would be the mode of payment most likely to secure the permanent services of a good man.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From the Executive Engineer, to the Commissioner of the Neilgherries, dated Ootacamund, 3rd December 1868, No. 691.

I HAVE the honor to forward, for your perusal, certain Government Orders, with reference to the Chuttrums built at Pykara, Neddivuttum, and Yellamilly. On Tuesday, the 1st instant, having occasion to visit Neddivuttum on duty, I inspected the Chuttrums at Pykara and Neddivuttum ; both were in a neglected and filthy state ; no person appears to have charge of them.

2. The plan (enclosed) on which these Chuttrums were built in 1864-65 was, by order, submitted by me to His Excellency the Governor at the time, who personally directed me to provide a room in each Chuttrum to be occupied by a person proposed to be put in charge of the building, to maintain a bazaar at which travellers might obtain food, fuel, etc. ; up to the present time no such person has ever been appointed, and consequently the Chuttrums are in the state now brought to your notice.

3. Having no spare copies of the Government Orders, as also that of the plan now forwarded, I beg they may be returned to me.

4. I beg to note that, under the permission of Government granted some time ago, I propose to use the Chuttrum at Pykara during the five months, (from 1st January to 1st June 1869,) when shelter is not so much sought for or needed in this locality, as a temporary Jail to be occupied by forty convicts to be employed in completing the new high road to Neddivuttum ; the establishment for this Chuttrum would, therefore, not be required until the 1st of June 1869 ; this Chuttrum will, however, at once be put into thorough repair, and be returned in a similar condition.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—Statement.

SUBMITTED to Government, in continuation of the Board's Proceedings, dated 1st December 1868, No. 8,434.

2. The Board quite concur with Mr. Breeks in thinking it desirable that the Chuttrums should be in charge of a person who might look after them, and also keep a petty shop, as is stated to have been the case with the Chuttrums* erected by Mr. Ouchterlony.

* Letter from Commissioner, dated 30th September 1868, submitted to Government with Board's Proceedings, dated 7th January 1869, No. 44.

3. The Board would recommend that 2½ Rupees a-month be granted for this purpose for each of the small Chuttrums, together with a moderate sized garden, as suggested by Mr. Breeks.

No. 511. ORDER THEREON, 26th April 1869, No. 1,114.

Miscellaneous.

THE Board do not state from what source they propose to pay the salary of the servants to be put in charge of the Chuttrums on the Neilgherry Hills. This expenditure cannot be met from Imperial Funds; but the Government have no objection to the Board authorising these small payments either from the Bungalow Fund or the Endowment Fund, as they may consider appropriate in the case of each building. The Government will, however, be prepared to sanction small endowments in land, according to the Chuttrum Rules, when the Chuttrum has been built from other than Government funds, if the Board consider this the preferable course.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Revenue Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 26th March 1869

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THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated April, 26th.

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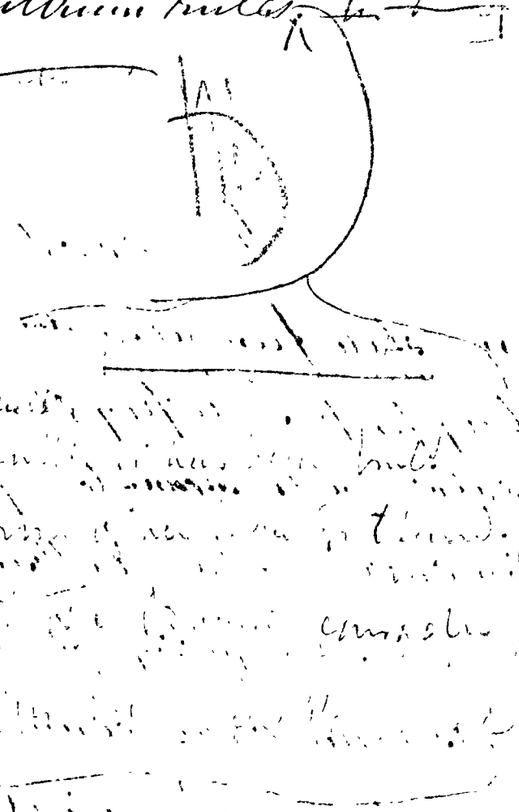
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