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29th July 1870.*

No. 255. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 11th July 1870, No. 4,821.

Read the following letters:—

From the Acting Collector of the Madras District, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sydapet, 30th June 1870, No. 248.

Mr. Crole has recommended Meer Unsuroodeen Sahib, the Tahsildar of Ponneri, for the Tahsildarship of the Madurantakum Talook, which has become vacant by the Board's* dismissal of Senkara Row.

* *Vide* Board's Proceedings, 20th June 1870, No. 4,248.

2. Meer Unsuroodeen is an able officer and bears a high character for integrity. He performs his Revenue and Magisterial duties efficiently, and is, I consider, deserving of promotion. I do not, however, recommend that he should be appointed to the Madurantakum Talook.

3. The Tahsildar of Conjeveram holds landed property in that talook, and the Board have on several occasions remarked on the disadvantage attaching to the employment of a Tahsildar in a talook in which he has important landed interests, and have directed† the transfer of Sami Naidoo to another talook when the opportunity should offer.

† Board's Proceedings, dated 24th February 1863, No. 1,360.

4. Since the receipt of these orders, no chance has occurred of carrying them into effect without a loss to Sami Naidoo of standing and pay. The Madurantakum Talook having, however, now fallen vacant, I propose that Sami Naidoo should be transferred to that talook, whereby he will obtain an increase of salary of Rs. 25 a-month, and that the Tahsildarship of Conjeveram Talook should be conferred on Meer Unsuroodeen.

5. Meer Unsuroodeen was for several years Sub-Magistrate of the town of Conjeveram, and while holding that office conducted his duties with great discretion and impartiality. It is a great advantage to have, at the head of the Conjeveram Talook, a man who is quite unconnected with any of the religious sects in the town of Conjeveram, and of all the Tahsildars in the district, I consider him the best fitted for the charge of that talook.

6. For the vacancy that will be created in the Ponneri Talook, I beg to recommend N. Boojunga Row, my Head Vernacular Clerk. He is a very able public servant, and his extensive Revenue knowledge will be of great service during the approaching re-settlement of the Ponneri Talook.

7. In making this recommendation I am not unaware of the past unfortunate history of Boojunga Row. He was Tahsildar of Madurantakum up to 1861, when he was tried by Mr. E. F. Elliott, the then Sub-Collector, on certain charges. The result of this trial was that the Board, though ordering the refund of all the fines imposed by Mr. Elliott on Boojunga Row, considered it necessary to remove him from his appointment, and directed that he should be employed in some inferior situation.

Board's Proceedings, dated 28th October 1861, No. 5,895.

8. Boojunga Row was subsequently made Sub-Magistrate and Deputy Tahsildar of the Poomalallee Division, in the Sydapet Talook, and in that capacity

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he conducted himself so well, that Mr. Ellis, the then Collector, appointed him his Magistrate Moonshee. He was subsequently promoted by Mr. Banbury to his present office of Vernacular Head Clerk. Mr. Thornhill, while employed on special duty in settling the boundary dispute between the Madras District and the Zemindary of Kalastri, selected Boojunga Row as his Head Clerk. The efficient service rendered by him while so employed, and the Board's recognition of the same, are recorded in the Board's Proceedings of the 1st March last, No. 1,446.

9. During the whole time that Boojunga Row has been in the Huzoor, he has conducted his duties very satisfactorily, as will be seen from the enclosed copies of testimonials he has received from the several gentlemen under whom he has served. His conduct has also been uniformly good. Mr. Fane was anxious to give him a Tahsildarship for which he considered him to be "eminently fitted." The experience I have had of him during the last seven months has led me to form the same opinion, and in recommending him for the Tahsildarship of Ponneri, I do so as being the best qualified man for the appointment that I am acquainted with in the district.

10. In conclusion, I have to acquaint the Board that I have, with reference to paragraph 2 of Mr. Crole's letter, (herewith enclosed,) directed Meer Unsuroodeen to take charge of the Madurantakum Talook pending the receipt of the Board's orders on this letter.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From C. S. CROLE Esq., Acting Sub-Collector, to the Acting Collector of the Madras District, dated Chingleput, 27th June 1870, No. 250.

With reference to the order of the Board of Revenue, contained in their Proceedings, dated 20th instant, No. 4,248, dismissing the Tahsildar of Madurantakum, I have the honour to inform you that Senkara Row delivered over the charge of the talook to his Sheristadar on the forenoon of the 25th idem.

2. Owing to the length of time over which this case has extended, the late Tahsildar has, perhaps, owing to excessive anxiety, allowed the talook to fall a good deal out of order. I have therefore the honour to request that Meer Unsuroodeen Sahib, Tahsildar of Ponneri, whose transfer I now recommend, be directed to join at Madurantakum forthwith, in anticipation of the receipt of the Board's orders on the appointment.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—Copy of Testimonials.

No. 255A. From the Acting Collector of Chingleput District, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sydapet, 2nd July 1870, No. 253.

When writing my letter of the 30th ultimo, No. 248, I overlooked the fact that Sami Naidoo, as Sub-Registrar of Conjeveram, is in receipt of a registration allowance which averages Rupees 58 a-month, while the registration fees in the Madurantakum Talook amount to only Rupees 19 a-month. The transfer to

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Madurantakum would, therefore, involve a small loss to Sami Naidoo in a temporary allowance, while it would give him a permanent increase of Rupees 25 a month.

2. My reason for regarding the registration allowance as temporary, is because the Registrar-General was requested by the late Collector, Mr. Fane, to relieve the Tahsildar of Conjeveram of the registration work. No answer has been received to this recommendation, but I purpose addressing the Registrar-General again on the same subject, as I am also of opinion that the duties of the Tahsildar of Conjeveram are too onerous to allow of his acting as Sub-Registrar.

The arrangements proposed by the Collector are approved.

2. The Board resolve to request Government to exempt N. Boojunga Row from the Special Test Examination required as a qualification for the post of Tahsildar.

3. Boojunga Row was reduced from the grade of Tahsildar in 1861, but the Board are disposed to think he was severely dealt with on that occasion, and the testimony as to his subsequent conduct borne by the officers who have been successively in charge of the district, is unanimous in his favour.

No. 256.

ORDER THEREON, 29th July 1870, No. 1,133.

Miscellaneous.

On the above recommendations of the Collector of the district and the Board of Revenue, the Right Honourable

the Governor in Council is pleased to exempt N. Boojunga Row from passing the Educational Test required for the post of Tahsildar.

(True Extract.)

(Signed)

H. E. STOKES,

Under-Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

.. the Acting Collector of Chingleput

.. the Accountant-General.

.. the Commissioner for the Uncovenanted Civil Service Examinations.

Exd. E. C. Shunkar.

No 1133

On the above recom-
mendations of the Collector
of the District and the
Board of Revenue, the
Dt Commr. the Govt in Council
is pleased to exempt
H. Boojinga Rao from
passing the Educational
Test required for the
post of Tahsil dar

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THE BOARD OF REVENUE
Dated July, 29th.
G. O. No. July 1900, No. 1133.
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Tahsil dar of Penneri in Madras. — N.
Boojinga Rao exempted from passing the Special
Test required for the post of Tahsil dar.

Postpaid

Mr. J. C. C.

Director of P. L.

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