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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
20th March 1871.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 262. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 21st February 1871
No. 810.

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North Arcot, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated
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5. Finding that my written remonstrances had no effect, I visited Arni in
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collected the khandans, inquired carefully into their claims, and then visited
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9. I feel that I have now done everything in my power to bring the Jaghiredar to reason; he has deliberately broken the promise he gave me in person, after I had travelled to the south of the district expressly to see him and settle this business, and it is, therefore, idle to suppose that manuscript remonstrances will be any more effectual. I therefore now request that the Board of Revenue will be pleased to lay the matter before Government, in view to such unmistakeable orders being forwarded to the Jaghiredar as will compel the obedience from him which he has hitherto so persistently withheld.

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SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

No. 263. From W. S. WHITESIDE, Esq., Acting Collector of North Arcot, to the Acting Under-Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Chittoor, 18th January 1871, No. 2.

WITH reference to your docket on petitions (herewith returned) noted in the margin, I have the honour to forward Nos. 2,623, 2,631, 2,632, 2,633, 2,634, 2,635, copy of my letter, No. 533, dated 26th November 1870, to the address of the Secretary to the Board of Revenue. 2,636, 2,654, and 2,673 of 1870.

2. The Arni Jaghiredar has persisted in not paying up the arrears of stipends due to petitioners and others in spite of my repeated earnest advice, and in breach of his own promise made personally to me in September last.

3. He has, however, since I thus brought his conduct to the notice of the Board, reported to me that those arrears have been paid, and requested that the khandans might be ordered to receive their payments punctually in future.

4. In my letter to the Board, I have shown that this assertion that the khandans themselves delay in coming forward to receive their pensions is a futile excuse on the part of the Jaghiredar, for the khandans are none of them men of substance, but, on the contrary, all miserably poor, and almost entirely dependent on their petty allowances as a means of subsistence.

5. The Jaghiredar has manifested so determined a resolve to abstain from conforming to the stipulations provided in his Sanad as to the maintenance of these poor people, and payment of the stipends expressly awarded them by Government, that, after the earnest and repeated efforts I have in vain made to bring him to a proper sense of his duty, I am convinced no permanent change for the better can be effected, unless the future payments of petitioners' allowances be ordered as recommended by me in paragraph 10 of my letter to the Board of Revenue.

No. 264. ORDER THEREON, 20th March 1871, No. 487.

Miscellaneous.

THE foregoing papers show that the Jaghiredar of Arni has been extremely negligent in disbursing to his khandans

the stipends which are due to them. In November 1870 arrears to the extent of Rs. 6,850-14-5 had accumulated.

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* Paragraph 3 of the Acting Collector's letter, dated 18th January 1871, No. 2.

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stipends punctually, the Government determine to adopt Mr. Whiteside's recommendation that the aggregate amount due to the khandans should be handed over every month to the Sub-Magistrate of Arni for distribution.

(True Extract.)

(Signed)

W. HUDLESTON,

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

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2. Koneri Row	176	0	0
10. Rama Row	326	4	0
12. Sama Row	40	0	0
17. Narain Row	144	0	0
20. Venkat Row, son of Veyasa Row	812	4	1
20. Terumal Row	190	0	0
Sathiyavijja Row, son of Sreenivasa Row	60	0	0
Nagu Baye	232	0	0
Total	6,850	14	5

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

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J. H. Remington
Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
Copy to the Acting Collector of North Arcot.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

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Sipends of Khairatuns—in Arni Jaghire in North Arout District.—Letter from Collector, bringing to notice disobedience of Jaghiredar to orders of Government for payment of, recommending that he be directed to forward to Arni Sub-Magistrate, by 5th of each month, full amount of sipends payable by him to Khairatuns, submitted for orders of Government.

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From the A. S. Coll^y of North Brook.
Returning the Petitions of }
Arree Khandans. & suggesting certain }
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payments of Petitioners' allowances. — }

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 In order to obviate the delay and inconvenience resulting from the system now in force of sending forms of Bills of Exchange to the Stamp Office to have the requisite stamp impressed upon