Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 3rd October 1872.

No. 14. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th September 1872, No. 1,828 :—

Read the following letter from R. W. BARLOW, Esq., Acting Collector of the Chingleput District, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Coromandel, 29th August 1872, No. 365 :—

ADVERTING to paragraph 6 of the Board's Proceedings dated the 28th March 1871, No. 1,356, and the Government Order thereon, No. 739, dated the 25th April following, I have the honour to submit the further report therein called for.

	Acres.	Assessment. Rs.
Total area of lands possessing well or capable of being irrigated from their wells..	1,073	4,490
Total area of lands having no wells or means of irrigation, etc.	1,059	4,596

2. From inquiries since made and reports received from the Tahsildars it appears that about half of all the garden (totakal) lands of the district do not possess wells, nor have they any means of irrigation from wells situated on other lands. (*Vide* marginal statement.)

3. The reason of their having been so classed, so far as I can gather from the tenor of the reports regarding the introduction of the ryotwar settlement, was that being in their village sites (nattam) they were considered to have a better soil and to be convenient and valuable from their position though only dry crops were raised.

4. I enclose a statement showing the extent and assessment of these garden lands for the five taluqs noted in the margin; there are none such in the Conjeveram Taluq.

Sydapet.
Trivellore.
Ponnery.
Chingleput.
Madurantakum.

5. In Chingleput and Madurantakum, as the Board are aware, the reduction has already been carried out, the amount so remitted being Rs. 540-9-10, and, if the same is extended, as undoubtedly should be done, to the remaining three taluqs of the district, there will be a further sacrifice of Government revenue, amounting to Rupees 2,214-7-3 according to the ayacut. The immediate actual loss, however, will be about a third of this, as that proportion only of these totakal lands is occupied.

6. With reference to paragraph 7 of the Proceedings, I further enclose another statement (B) showing the extent and assessment of nunjah lands entirely under well irrigation in the several villages transferred from North and South Arcot Districts, from which the Board will see that the loss of revenue, resulting to Government from their transfer to first class dry (punjah), amounts to Rupees 879-4-0 on the ayacut, Rupees 720 being on the cultivation and Rupees 159-4-0 on the waste.

7. On the complaint of some of the South Arcot villagers the Sub-Collector has already issued orders to the Tahsildar of Madurantakum to suspend the collection of the difference between the old and the first class punjah assessment under authority from Mr. Blair, the late Acting Collector, and I have further issued final orders directing Tahsildars to strike off the difference altogether in the accounts in all North and South Arcot villages, as directed by the Board at paragraph 7.

8. The *well* garden lands in these villages had participated in the benefit of the reduction conceded by Government on such lands in the North and South Arcot Districts previous to their transfer.

9. I regret the delay that has occurred in submitting this report, which is owing to some of the Tahsildars not having sent in the requisite returns till late in July.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 and 2.—Statements.

SUBMITTED to Government with reference to Government Order, 25th April 1871, No. 739.

——	Extent.	Assessment at old rate.	Assessment at new rate.	Loss of revenue.
	ACRES.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Occupied ...	335	1,375	594	781
Unoccupied ..	725	3,221	1,247	1,974
Total...	1,060	4,626	1,841	2,755

2. The extent and assessment of lands charged as gardens though destitute of all means of irrigation, and the effect of the proposed revision, are shown in the marginal statement. The sacrificd of revenue amounts to Rupees 2,755, of which, however, only Rupees 781 is immediate loss. The Board recommend that the proposed revision be sanctioned.

3. The Proceedings of the Collector reported in paragraphs 6 and 7 are approved.

No. 15. ORDER THEREON, 3rd October 1872, No. 1,374.

Land Revenue.

THE Governor in Council approves the proposal to extend to the Sydapet, Trivellore, and Poneri Taluqs the revision of the "garden" assessment which has been completed in Chingleput and Madranticum.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

Statement showing the Extent and assessments of lands formerly classed as garden and assessed at the garden rates, but which have no wells or other means of irrigation

Taluq	Ayacut				Holding or occupied				Waste or unoccupied			
	Extent	Assessment	Assessment at the highest dry rate of each village	Increase	Decrease	Extent	Assessment	Assessment at the highest dry rate of the village	Increase	Decrease	Extent	Assessment	Assessment at the highest dry rate of the village	Increase	Decrease
	Acres g s Rs As P	Rs As P	Rs As P	Rs As P	Rs As P	Acres g s Rs As P	Rs As P	Rs As P	Rs As P	Rs As P	Acres g s Rs As P	Rs As P	Rs As P	Rs As P	Rs As P
Sydapet	566 11 14	2,618 15 -	967 4 7	- - -	1,651 10 5	12 10 13	567 2 11	218 13 -	- - -	348 5 11	443 1 1	2057 12 1	748 7 7	- - -	1303 4 6
Trivallore	186 3 6	848 8 11	347 2 6	- - -	501 6 5	6 24 1	258 6 9	133 3 1	- - -	123 3 8	119 19 5	592 2 2	213 15 5	- - -	378 2 9
Tonnery	32 20 6	134 - 3	72 9 10	- - -	61 6 5	1 2 13	93 14 8	41 14 6	- - -	52 - 2	13 17 9	40 1 7	30 11 4	- - -	9 6 3
Chingleput *	131 15 12	429 13 1	204 11 2	- - -	225 1 11	3 52 6	148 15 2	89 8 11	- - -	104 6 3	15 25 6	230 13 11	110 2 5	- - -	115 11 6
Madurantakam *	143 6 14	564 13 4	249 5 5	- - -	315 7 11	6 12 0	258 9 1	110 11 6	- - -	147 13 7	7 43 14	306 4 3	138 9 11	- - -	167 10 4
	1,059 18 4	4,596 2 7	1,841 1 6	- - -	2,755 1 1	33 5 2 1	1,375 - 7	594 3 -	- - -	780 13 7	7 41 6 3	3221 2 0	1,246 11 6	- - -	1,974 3 6

(Signed) R. W. Barlow
Ag Collector.

* N.B.

In Chingleput & Madurantakam the reduction has been already carried out.

Chingleput Collector's Office
Camp Coromandel
29th August 1872

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To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated October 3rd.

Recd. *Encl.*

G. O., 3rd October 1872, No. 1,374.

OCTOBER.

Nos. 14-15.

Garden Assessment in Sydapet, Trivellore and Poneri Taluqs in Chingleput District.—Proposal of the Board of Revenue regarding its revision, approved.

Statement showing the extent and assessment of wet Nunjah lands in the Villages transferred from North and South Arcot Districts.

		Ayacut				Holding or occupied			Waste or unoccupied.				
	Taluqs	Extent.	Assessment.	Assessment at the highest duty rate of the Village.	Increase.	Decrease.	Extent.	Assessment.	Assessment at the highest duty rate of the Village.	Increase.	Decrease.	Extent	Assessment	Assessment at the highest duty rate of the Village	Increase.	Decrease.
	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.	12	13	14.	15.	16.	17.
			Acres. G. As.	Rs. As. Ps.	Rs. As. Ps.	Rs. As. Ps.	Rs. As. Ps.	Acres. G. As.	Rs. As. Ps.	Rs. As. Ps.	Rs. As. Ps.	Rs. As. Ps.	Acres. G. As.	Rs. As. Ps.	Rs. As. Ps.	Rs. As. Ps.	Rs. As. Ps.
South Coast Villages.	Madrantakam	60. 16 8.	307. 5. 6.	168. 15 9.	- - -	138. 15 9.	36. 3. -	181. 12 2	106. 12 5	- - -	74. 15 9.	24. 13 8.	126. 3 4	62. 3 4.	- - -	64. - -
North Coast Villages.	Madrantakam	49. 12 8	276. 5. 8.	79. 7 12	- - -	196. 13 12.	29. 20 2	163. 9. 11	47. 6. 8.	- - -	116. 3 3.	19. 35 6.	112. 11. 9.	32. 1. 2	- - -	80. 10. 7
	Conjeevaram	151. 7. 8.	734. - 1.	194. 6. 6.	- - -	539. 9. 7.	146. 37 4	712. 8. 5.	187. 8. 3.	- - -	525. - 2	4. 10 4.	21. 7. 8.	6. 14. 3	- - -	149. 5.
	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	Total	209. 14 2.	1039. 10 6.	299. 6 3.	- - -	740. 4 3.	185. 62	905. 7. 1.	260. 6. 10.	- - -	645. - 3.	24. 8 10	134. 3 5.	38. 15 5.	- - -	95. 4.
	Grand Total	269. 31. 4	1347. 11.	468. 6.	- - -	879. 4.	221. 9 2	1087. 33	367. 33	- - -	720. -	48. 22 2	268. 6. 9.	101. 2. 9.	- - -	159. 4.

Chingleput Collector's Office
Dated Coromandel
29th August 1872.

/ Signed / R. H. Barlow
Asst. Collector.