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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
6th April 1872.*

No. 133. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 15th March 1872, No. 2003 (Miscellaneous):—

Read the following letter from the Collector of South Arcot, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Punrootty, 21st February 1872, No. 45:—

In reply to the Board's Proceedings of the 3rd instant, No. 262, calling on me to consider whether the formal transfer to the Local Fund Boards of this District of all public tanks and wells other than those used for irrigation purposes, which I proposed in my letter, No. 13, of the 19th ultimo, is necessary, and if I think so to give my reasons, I have the honour to state, in the first place, that I did not receive the Board's Proceedings of the 6th January 1872, No. 47, until after the despatch of my letter above quoted, or I should not, in the face of the expression of the Board's opinion that such a transfer was unnecessary, have pressed the point.

2. My reasons, however, for suggesting the transfer were threefold—first, because such transfer is evidently contemplated by the Local Fund Act; secondly, because the Presidents of Local Fund Boards have been called on by Government* to submit detailed lists of such institutions with a view to their transfer; and thirdly, because I considered, and still consider, that it is expedient that a general power of supervision over all public water reservoirs used for drinking purposes should be vested in the Local Fund Boards of this District, who have allotted in their Budgets for 1872-73 the sum of 8,000 Rupees for the purpose of repairing and cleaning works of this description—a task of considerable sanitary importance.

3. I must, however, confess that there is no necessity for such transfer. It is very easy to let matters remain in this respect as they are at present.

The Board have hitherto held that it was unnecessary to transfer village tanks and wells to the Local Fund Boards, and Government concurred in this view in their Order of the 22nd September 1871.

On reconsideration, however, the Board think it may be desirable to issue a general Notification in the following form:—

“Under Section 10 of Act IV. of 1871, the Governor in Council hereby notifies that it is his intention to transfer all tanks and wells not being private property, nor used for irrigation, to the Local Fund Boards of the Circles in which they are situated.”

As the question whether any particular tank or well is transferred will not be raised by the Notification, it will not be subject, except in form, to the proviso at the end of the section.

The chief reason for issuing the Notification is that some of the Circle Boards may not admit any responsibility with regard to this class of public property, unless it is made over to them by a formal order of Government. In the case of several of the tanks fisherry-rents are collected and these receipts ought to be credited to the Local Fund.

(True Copy and Extract.)

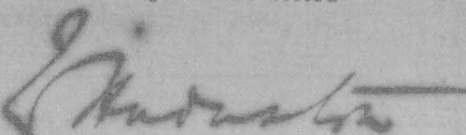
(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

No. 134.

ORDER THEREON, 6th April 1872, No. 463.

The Government approve the Board's proposal, and the Notification will be published accordingly.

(True Extract.)


Officiating Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.
.. Revenue Department.

Exd. J. Wright.

W. P. A. S. S.

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Noting that the Notification submitted by the Board of Revenue, declaring the invasion of Govt. property to transfer all lands and wells not being private property, not used for irrigation, to the local Board of Revenue, is published.

Wm. H. H. H.
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19th April 1872