Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 7th June 1872.

No. 75. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 27th May 1872, No. 828:—

Read the following letter from A. SMITH, Esq., Deputy-Collector in charge of the Treasury, Chingleput District, to the Acting Accountant-General, Fort Saint George, dated Sydapet, 1st May 1872, No. 113A:—

In paragraph 4 of the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 27th March 1872, No. 506, it is directed that *all expenditure incurred* on account of the Farms shall be debited in the manner "prescribed" in paragraph 3 of the Proceedings above referred to, I have the honour to request your instructions whether the pay of the Establishment of the Farms may be debited as usual under "24, Miscellaneous" in the Treasury account for General Services, or be debited under the head pointed out in paragraph 3 of the Board's Proceedings, dated 27th March 1872, No. 506.

2. I beg that the reply may be sent to me direct instead of to the Collector who is now on circuit.

No. 994.

Transferred to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue for disposal.

Fort Saint George, 8th May 1872. (Signed) W. DONALD, Officiating Deputy-Accountant-General.

The Board resolve to submit, for the decision of Government, the question which is raised in the above letter.

2. The Government have decided that the expenditure on account of Experimental Farms, contemplated in G. O., dated 22nd September 1871, No. 1,657, should be met from the surplus of the Pound Fund.

3. There is, however, the provision of Rupees 25,000 which the Government have purposely retained in the Budget of 1872-73 under the head "24, Miscellaneous" General Services.

G. O., dated 21st December 1871, No. 2,161, paragraph 28.

4. The Officer in charge of the Treasury now enquires to what head the charges on account of establishments in the Sydapet Farm should be debited.

5. As it is desirable to exhibit the entire expenditure on account of the several Farms, present and proposed, in one place the grant of Rupees 25,000 should, it seems to the Board, be transferred by a debit to the General Services, and credited to Provincial Services under Special Funds for Experimental Farms.

6. The sanction of Government to this arrangement is accordingly solicited.

No. 76. Order thereon, 7th June 1872, No. 894.

Miscellaneous.

The Board of Revenue will be informed that the charges on account of the Sydapet Farm should continue to be debited to "Imperial Revenues," "24, Miscellaneous."

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2. In indicating the source from which funds were to be provided for the model farms to be established in the provinces it was not the intention of Government to transfer funds from "Imperial Revenues" to "Provincial Service," or to relieve the former head of account from the charges which are at present debited to it.

3. The grant of Rs. 25,000 is for "Agricultural Exhibitions" in the provinces and for the "Sydapet Farm." The Government could not authorize its transfer to credit of "Provincial Services" under "Special Funds" as suggested by the Board.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Accountant-General.

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No. 828.

Experimental Farms.—Expenditure on account of.—Question raised by Deputy-Collector in charge of Treasury, Chingleput, as to whether such expenditure should be debited to "24, Miscellaneous General Services" or be met from surplus of Pound Funds, submitted to Government, and authority requested for transferring the grant under the head referred to, to Provincial Services under special funds for Experimental Farms.