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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
4th October 1873.*

No. 38. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 26th June 1873, No. 1,118:—

Read the following letter from J. R. COCKERELL, Esq., Commissioner of the Nilgiris, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Ootacamund, 31st May 1873, No. 49:—

WITH reference to G. O., Revenue Department, dated 9th August 1872, No. 1,188A, and G. O., 18th October 1872, No. 1,446, I have the honour to submit a sketch map B, showing the line of demarcation proposed for the eastern boundary of the Ouchterlony Valley, and to request the sanction of Government to its being permanently laid out. It is intended that the line should be marked with stones, but not indicated by a trench: cutting a trench along so extensive a line would be very expensive, and a trench would not make the line more clear than it could be made with stones. The line could be marked with stones and completed in fifteen or twenty days.

2. I enclose also sketch map A, alluded to in the first Government Order under reference, in order that the lines on it may be compared with the proposed line on map B. I have myself been over the line on map B, and I agree with the Survey Officers in thinking it cannot be brought nearer to D, D, D, D on sketch A without unnecessary expense. This is owing to the country being precipitous and difficult. The line D, D, D, D on map A represents the edge of a ghaut throughout its whole length, and the sinuities and depressions along the line are so serious that it would be a most laborious operation, if it would not be impossible to walk along the ghaut, keeping close to the edge from end to end. The extra land taken in by the proposed line is valueless either to Government or Mr. Ouchterlony, as it could not be occupied for coffee or tea.

3. The Government will observe that at the northern end of the proposed line on sketch B two lines are marked, one of these lines D, D², D, passes through Mr. Ouchterlony's bungalow which is at D². From the bungalow west it traverses a ravine to attain Gudalur Malay. This ravine is clothed with a deep sholah. Mr. Wapshare, who was present when I went over the proposed line, begged that the line instead of running through D, D², D should take the course D, C, C, D; his object being to preserve the sholah in the ravine. He stated that, if the boundary cut across the ravine, the part of the sholah above the line might be taken up at any time for planting and be felled, and that, if it was felled, a down current of wind would set towards the valley and seriously injure two of the existing plantations below. He informed me that, if the line took the direction he desired, he would give a guarantee not to fell the forest in the ravine. Under these circumstances, I promised to submit his request for the favourable consideration of the Government.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 AND 2.—Sketch Maps.

THE Board resolve to submit this letter to Government, with the recommendation that the boundary line, as sketched in map B, be declared valid.

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2. The slight deviation described in paragraph 3 of the letter has been made for good and sufficient reasons and should be admitted.

No. 39. ORDER THEREON, 4th October 1873, No. 1,069.

Miscellaneous.

THE Government sanction the adoption of the boundary line laid down in map "B" with the deviation desired by Mr. Ouchterlony's representative.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Govt. of 1873 Madras
REVENUE.

To
THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

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Dated October 4th.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 4th October 1873, No. 1,069.

OCTOBER.
Nos. 38-39.

Ouchterlony Valley on the Nilgiris.
Sanctioning the adoption of a certain bounde
line for the — with the deviation desired by A
Ouchterlony's representative.



Pro. Board of Revenue

Line of demarcation proposed
for Eastern boundary of Ouchterlony
Valley Nilgiris } 26 Jan. 1873 No. 1118.

No. 1988 for orders.

I would add
the line in plan
B - conceding the
Zawne Shikah
next of Mr. Ouchter
lony's Bungalow
I. O. S.

In the L.O. dated 9th
August 1872 No. 1100 the Govt
directed that a line defining the
Eastern boundary within which
the Government would recognise
the titles to land owned by the
Malamboor Sinsiad should be
accurately laid out and perma-
nently demarcated. but they
declined to permit a tract of
land in the vicinity of Mr.
Ouchterlony's bungalow of
about a square mile in extent
being included to the West.

I concur. I adopt
Plan B but the reasons
citations should be made
reasonable & practical
reasons and are of little
economic or financial
significance 209

The Commissioner
now submits a sketch proposing
to mark out this line considerably
earlier

to the Eastward of the line deter-
mined by Govt. as owing to the
character of the country it would
be difficult and expensive to mark
out the particular line itself.

He states that the additional
land allowed by the new line
is valueless as it could not be
occupied for tea or coffee. He
also submits for favorable con-
sideration a request that a plot
of land in the vicinity of Mr.
Ouchterlony's bungalow, some-
what smaller apparently than
that formerly asked for, may
be included to the West of the
line as the planting on it gives
protection to the cultivation.

It will be seen that
in several places the new line
will give over considerable addi-
tional tracts of land to Mr.
Ouchterlony but if these are
really valueless, perhaps this
is not of much consequence.

As to the proposal to make
over the land near the bungalow
it



It is only the boundary
the line West of
at Chalfont I think
be a little better
than the

This should be
kept quite dis-
tinct from the
boundary question.
We recognize the
title ~~East~~ West.
words - and there
we receive the letter
from Mr. Thompson
may have been con-
sidered with the line

it seems to be an unnecessary
concession as Mr. Ouchterlony
may be granted a title to it.
under the waste land rules
Perhaps though before
passing any orders as to the
proposed new line, it would be
as well to call upon the com-
missioner to reply to the queries
in paras 9 and 11 of the L.O.
as to any land occupied out-
side the line on titles from Mr.
Ouchterlony.

There is another point
which perhaps it will be as
well to notice is whether or
not assessment is to be charged
on lands held under old grants
by the Sirupad. an L.O.
4th September 1863 No 1647 and
30th March 1865 No 901 it seems
to have been intended to do so
but no mention of the subject
is made in the L.O. of last
August. With Board's Pro-
ceedings dated 25th September 1864
which

which, it is believed are with
the Honble Mr. Sui, a letter
from the collector ^{in relation to} re-
commending that a charge of
Damas an acre be made in
lieu of the jennabagum
to the Rajah, but probably
this would be distinct from
the Govt. assessment.

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Mr. On ch ter Cuy -
plus the upulated
assessment. East
works on our rules
come in to delay -
But I would not
mix up the two
questions & delay
the settlement
of the boundary
of I. D. S.

Concur with Mr. Sui
that there are two matters -
viz the Boundary line &
our claims against the
land in the valley - for as
settlement - ~~Question~~ ^{being}
denied and jennabagum
- of claimable after this
territorial transfer - the
be kept quite distinct and
should be disposed of in separate
orders. On this paper Mr. Mery
has put orders on the
former matter -
Mr. Sui & a separate
reminder call on the Rajah
for reports on the claims
of the State against the valley
- including Godfrey's estates -
with as little delay as possible
2079 M. S. J. L.

Memo for Orders

Line of demarcation pro-
posed for Eastern boundary
of the Acheh Valley -
Nigeria -

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Wanda Lee
Amplifying
and send knowledge
L.B.A.

With refer to Mr Robinson
Remarks the information
required as to the information
the asked for when Mr. Robinson
25th Sept 1909 is
disposed of.

C. 11 July 1923 to 25 Sep 23

Revenue Department

No. 1069

Proceedings of the Madras Government

21. 4 October 1873

Read the following Proceedings
of the Board of Revenue

Submitting letter from the
Commissioner forwarding a map
showing the line of demarcation pro-
posed for the Eastern boundary of
Acheh Valley on the Nigeria -

A.E. 26 June 1873 No. 1110

The Government sanction
the adoption of the boundary line
laid down in map "B" with the
deviation desired by Mr. Acheh Valley
representative.

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To Mr. Robinson
with 2 maps
Rep - 10 - 10
H. Wapshaw Esq. - 17 July 1909

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Line of demarcation proposed
for Eastern Boundary of the
Long Valley on Hilgins

Serpentine