Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 24th October 1873.

No. 217. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 26th September 1873, No. 1,951:—

Read again the following papers:—

Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 30th April 1873, No. 433, Revenue Department, recorded in Board's Proceedings, dated 2nd June 1873, Miscellaneous No. 3,318.

Board's Proceedings, dated 12th July 1873, No. 1,266.

Do. ,, 25th September 1873, No. 1,935.

THE Board have already (Proceedings, dated 23rd August 1873, No. 1,636) expressed their opinion that more districts may with advantage be placed under the control of the Imperial Department for postal service, and they recommend that Godavery be so transferred. The Collector has no objection to the transfer.

No. 218. ORDER THEREON, 24th October 1873, No. 1,158.

Miscellaneous.

THE Government observe that, in G. O., 23rd July 1873, No. 770 (paragraph 2), the Board were authorized to transfer to the Postmaster-General the management of the Godavery District Post.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R Bantleman.

No. 1,266.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 12th July 1873.

Read the following letter from W. S. FOSTER, Esq., Acting Collector of the Godavery District, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cocanada, 18th June 1873, No. 194:—

REFERRING to the Board's Proceedings of the 2nd instant, Miscellaneous No. 3,318, I have the honour to state that I have no objection to the transfer of the District Post to the Imperial Post Department.

2. I should think that, if the transfer is made, the Gumastas at Rajahmundry and Cocanada will be done away with. In this case, the Deputy Postmasters at those places do not despatch the Mail until the Madras Mail arrives, and it may be detained on its way for a few days now and then if the intermediate rivers Kistna and Godavery cannot be crossed. Besides, the Mail arrives from Madras or Calcutta at no fixed hours, so that I cannot get the District correspondence as regularly as I do now. The District Post now leaves Rajahmundry and Cocanada at fixed times, and arrives in office hours, so that I get my packets exactly the next day. Now through the Regular Post *via* Juggumpetta, packets take two or three days to reach my Office. If the Postal Department establish a line of runners from Rajahmundry to Peddapur *via* Rajanagarum, as I believe they will do, and keep up the double set of runners between Peddapur and Cocanada, one to go to Juggumpetta, the other to Rajanagarum there would be no difficulty, provided the Mail that is sent through Rajanagarum is despatched at a fixed time from Rajahmundry and Cocanada without [illegible] Northern mail as the case may be. Cocanada is my Head-quarters and Rajahmundry is the important town centrically situate in the district, and it is very necessary that I should regularly get my packets every day. I would, therefore, propose that the District Post Gumastas at Rajahmundry and Cocanada, the line between those two places *via* Rajanagarum, the double set of runners between Peddapur and Cocanada be kept up.

3. With reference to Board's Proceedings of the 2nd November 1871, No. 4,587, I beg to observe that Prattipad is the Head-quarters of the Sub-Magistrate of Yeleswaram, and that, though the district line of runners is abolished, the Gumasta at Prattipad should be retained, unless there will be an Imperial Post Office which there is not now.

4. If the whole District Post is transferred, the services of the Huzur Gumasta may be dispensed with, but not otherwise.

REFERRED to the Postmaster General for his remarks.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. ST. A. GOODRICH,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Postmaster General.

Copy to the Acting Collector of the Godavery District.

Exd. G. A. Turton.

No. 1,935.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 25th September 1873.

Read the following letter from Major the Hon. E. R. BOURKE, Postmaster-General, Madras, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Ootacamund, 28th August 1873, No. 354-989 :—

REFERRING to No. 1,266, Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th July 1873, referred to me for remarks, I beg to state that, when the Godavery District is given over to my control, I shall arrange for the Post leaving Cocanada daily at a fixed hour; and as the line between Cocanada and Rajahmundry, *via* Rajanuggrum and Peddapore, is now open, arrangements will also be made for the Collector getting his Rajahmundry packet daily at Cocanada before office-hours.

2. These arrangements will enable the Collector to move the District Post Establishments at Cocanada and Rajahmundry to other localities and to abolish the District Post line of runners between Cocanada and Rajahmundry, *via* Peddapore and Rajanuggrum.

COMMUNICATED to the Collector of Godavery.

2. The runners set free by the Post [illegible] nada and Rajahmundry should be transferred to such localities as are most in want of postal service.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. ST. A. GOODRICH,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Collector of the Godavery District.
„ the Postmaster-General, Madras.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

1873.

Board of Revenue,

MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, 25TH SEPTEMBER 1873, No. 1,935.

Received

SEPTEMBER.

No. 1,935.

Godavery District Post.—Letter from Postmaster-General stating that, when management of — is transferred to Imperial Department, arrangements will be made for Peon leaving Cocanada daily at a fixed hour, Collector getting his Rajahmundry packet daily at Cocanada before office-hours, communicated to Collector. Runners thus set free at Cocanada and Rajahmundry to be transferred to other localities.

No. 1,999.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 2nd October 1873.

Read the following letters :—

From W. D. HORSLEY, Esq., Collector of Cuddapah, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cannalamudgoo, 20th August 1873, No. 143.

THOUGH I have no passed Assistant in this district, I have an additional Deputy-Collector with all the powers of a passed Assistant. I have endeavoured, till now, to get on without applying for an increase to the establishment. I can no longer be economical, as the Board, in their Proceedings, Miscellaneous No. 4,653, dated July 24th, 1873, say that as there is no passed Assistant in the district, I must dispense with a Rupees 20 Gumastah in the Sheristadar's office. I cannot possibly do this and be economical too. I beg therefore that the Board will sanction the employment of two Gumastahs on Rupees 40 and Rupees 20 for the additional Deputy-Collector.

2. As Government will not allow me the establishment as it has hitherto existed, but say I must reduce a clerk, I am obliged to ask for an additional establishment. The Government save Rupees 20 and spend Rupees 60.

3. I beg that I may receive an early sanction to my application, as work is very much retarded for want of clerks.

4. I may mention with reference to the Board's Proceedings, above quoted, that the Sherasta clerk on Rupees 20 will be provided for elsewhere on the 30th of this month.

From H. SEWELL, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddapah, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 9th September 1873, No. 158.

IN reply to your Official Memorandum No. 1,314, dated 2nd instant, I have the honour to inform you that no application was made to Government for the appointment of the Additional Deputy-Collector, *but* in March last, he was sent here, it is presumed, on account of there being no passed Assistant in this district.

2. He has charge of the two taluqs which formerly were under the Assistant Collector. I may add that from all I hear of the work of the district, his services are indispensable.

SUBMITTED for the favourable consideration of Government.

(True Copies and Extract.)

H Stokes

Acting Secretary.

To the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Copy to the Acting Collector of Cuddapah.

Exd. G. A. Turton.

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Board of Revenue,
MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, 2ND OCTOBER 1873, No. 1,999.

Deptt 6 Oct 1873.

Encl.

Received 9th October 1873.

OCTOBER.

No. 1,999.

Additional Deputy-Collector of Cuddapah. —Collector's application for sanction for employment of a Gumastah on Rupees 40 and one on Rupees 20 for — submitted to Government for favourable consideration.

With Order
No. 1120 - 15th Octr 1873.

C 10th Octr/73 R. 15 Octr

14 Nov 1873 Rec'd Ans 24th Nov/73
6 Accepted — . —

No 1120

Re employment of Additional Deputy Collector's Gumastah

A.D.C. Sanctioned

15 Oct/73

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Board of Revenue, MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, 26TH SEPTEMBER 1873, No. 1,951.

Dept 1 Oct 73.

Encl. 1

Received 1st Oct/73

SEPTEMBER.

No. 1,951.

Godavery District Post—recommended to be placed under control of Imperial Postal Department.

Nº 1158 - 24 Oct 73.
With Order

G.O. 6 October 1873 Nº

The Government observe that in G.O. 23 July 1873 Nº 1990 (para 2) the Board were authorized to consider the Retrenchment & Economy of the Postmaster General the management of the Godavery District Post.

24 Oct 73

Nº 1158 Head of Revenue 31 Oct/73

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