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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 11th October 1873.

Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 18th August 1873, No. 1,293, Judicial Department:—

ABSTRACT.—*Cuddapah.*—The opinion of the Honourable the Judges of the High Court and of the Board of Revenue requested on the general question of the necessity for changing the head-quarters of the Cuddapah District, and, if they are in favour of the change, then on the further question as to the station that should be selected as offering the most advantages.

IN the Board's previous Proceedings on the question of the change of the head-quarters of the Cuddapah District, they reviewed the various places named as head-quarters, and gave the preference to Royachoti. Since then the Sanitary Commissioner has visited the district and condemned Royachoti, Nundaloor, and Camalapoor, and, after describing Cuddapah in terms which confirm the Board's objections to it as a head-quarter station, nevertheless concludes that no more favourable site is to be found in the district. Mr. Wedderburn is of the same opinion.

2. The Board incline to think that both Royachoti and Rajampett have been rejected on insufficient grounds. Dr. Cornish himself says that the registration of mortality of the former place is almost useless for determining its insalubrity, and the alleged feverishness of the locality is at least not proved. Rajampett has the advantage of being on the line of rail, and is said to be within reach of a channel from the Cheyair. Dr. Cornish says that the irrigated land drains into the channel, but the Board do not quite understand this, inasmuch as the channel irrigates the land; but, at any rate, there could be no great difficulty as to leading a channel from above the contaminating fields. The channel, it appears, frequently dries up, but it might be possible to improve the supply.

3. The Board adhere to their previous recommendation in favour of Royachoti, and suggest that the Collector should be allowed to carry into effect his proposal to try the place. It would, as he says, cost but little to send the Collector and his office there for a year, which would test the feverishness or otherwise of the place.

(A true Extract.)

H Stokes

Acting Secretary.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Judicial Department.

Copy to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

,, to the Collector of Cuddapah, with Government Order.

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Head-quarters station—of Cuddapah District.—Recommendation already made by Board that Royachoti should be fixed on as—adhered to, and suggestion made to Government that Collector should be allowed to try the place for a year.

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