Read the following papers:—

No. 129. From A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated 16th September 1873. No. 46.

THE District Engineer has submitted, for my approval, his Provincial Budget for 1874-75. I annex copy of my letter to him on the subject, and request the early attention of Government to the questions mooted before irrecoverable expense is incurred.

Extract of a letter to the Revenue Board, No. 67, of 3rd May 1872.
Copy of Sub-Collector's letter, No. 271, of 17th December 1872.
Copy of letter to the District Engineer, No. 220, of 23rd December 1872.
Copy of letter to the District Engineer, No. 191, of 16th September 1873.
Translation of a petition from the ryots of the village of Perindoray Taluq, dated 4th July 1873.

2. I believe the highest authorities in the Department of Public Works will agree with me that it was a pity that so low and unhealthy a station as Errode was selected for the junction of the Great Southern of India Railway with the south-west line.

3. Having been so, the establishment of a Municipality followed, and taluq head-quarters; but, as there seems inadequate reason why the Sub-Collector should inhabit a lone, hot, and unhealthy town while there is a higher and healthier station within ten miles by rail or road and only four miles by a good road from a Railway Station of its own, it ought to be considered whether Perindoray should not be the Sub-Collector's head-quarters.

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* Mr. Buick's letter, No. 271, of 7th December 1872.
† Letter, No. 220, of 23rd December 1872.

7. Many years ago I pointed out the need of a Deputy Tahsildar to the large and important taluq of Perindoray, now Errode. Its revenue, population, revenue business, and criminal file, etc., were all dwelt upon.

Revenue Board's Proceedings, No. 1,960, of 22nd March 1869, and letter to Revenue Board, No. 67, of 3rd May 1872.

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11. Before building a new Cutcherry, which, if Anamallay is to be a Deputy Tahsildar's station, is certainly required, and for which I have selected a high and healthy site, it might be worthwhile to make the temporary experiment of a change; there is the Perindoray Cutcherry just vacated, and houses for the officials. If found not to answer by the requirements of Anamallay, then there is the simple return of the Anamallay Officer to his former station, and in that case there would be the strong reason for the increased establishment of the new Deputy Tahsildar for the Errode Taluq.

REFERRED to the Board of Revenue for their remarks.

OOTACAMUND,
22nd September 1873.

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Actg. Secy. to Govt.

No. 130. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th October 1873.

Read endorsement of Government, dated 22nd September 1873, referring for the Board's remarks, letter from the Collector of Coimbatore, No. 46 of 16th idem, requesting that Perindoray may be the head-quarters of the Sub-Collector, and that the Anamallay Deputy-Tahsildar may be transferred to Perindoray.

—on—

THE Collector of Coimbatore has addressed the Government direct in order to anticipate the allotment of money for [illegible] Sub-Collector's office at Errode, which he considers to be ill-suited, from position and on sanitary grounds, for the head-quarters of the Coimbatore Sub-division.

2. The inducement to choose this station was solely the circumstance that two lines of railway converging there confer upon it an exceptional importance. The proximity of Perindoray, however, makes this argument of little moment when the two places are compared, access to Errode by road and rail being easy from Perindoray. The latter is, in other points of view, to be preferred. It is elevated and healthy while Errode is low-lying and unhealthy, and it has better accommodation for officials. The Board support Mr. Wedderburn's recommendation that it should be chosen as the Sub-Collector's head-quarters.

3. The Collector's letter, proposing the transfer of the Anamallay Sub-Magistrate to Perindoray, where a cutcherry exists, relates to a general subject and will be separately consdered.

No. 131. ORDER THEREON, 25th [illegible]ber 1873, No. 1,294.

Miscellaneous.

[illegible] Government are of opinion [illegible]resent arrangement should be [illegible] and the building of the Sub-Collector's [illegible] Collector's office at Erode be proceeded [illegible]

(True Extract.)

(Signed) [illegible] CARMICHAEL,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Public Works Department.
,, the Judicial Department.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

No 46

Coimbatore Collector's office

16th September 1873.

Dupd 19/9/73.

From,

A. Wedderburn Esquire,

Collector of Coimbatore.

To,

The Honorable W. Huddleston,

Chief Secretary to Government

Madras.

Sir,

Enclosures 5.

1. Extract of a letter No The Revl. Bd. No. 67 of 3rd May 1872.
2. Copy of Sub Collr's letter No 270 of 17th Decr 1872.
3. Do of letter to the District Engineer No 220 of 23rd December 1872.
4. Do of letter by Dy No 1491 of 16th Septr 1873.
5. Translation of a Petition from the Ryots of the Villages of Perumdoray Valley dated 4th July 1873.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedt Servant
A Henderson
Collector

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Translation of a Petition from 261 ryots of the villages of Perindorony Taluq, to the Collector, dated 4th July 1873.

1. The Taluq Cutcherry has been transferred from Perindorony to Errode, notwithstanding our several representations to your honor and to the Board and Government.

2. Perindorony is a healthy village, and the largest of all the villages of the Taluq, with a population of about 6000 people, and Land Revenue of Rupees 10,000. It is also the centre of the Taluq.

3. The western-most villages of the Taluq lie about 15 miles from Perindorony, the northern-most 13 miles, the eastern most 13 as far as the Cauvery at Errode, and the southernmost 15 miles. Thus it is the centre, while Errode has the Cauvery 2 miles East of it, and the Salem District beyond that.

4. Errode, where the Taluq Cutcherry has

Recd 18th Sept 1873
Revenue Dept
No 2934
Collectorate
Salem
Recommended
& Government
to Board of Revenue
Dated 15th Sept 1873
Recd 20th Sept 1873
Revenue (5)
No 415
Recommended that Perindorony may be made the Head Quarter of the Taluq & Collector, and Superintendent should visit the Cauvery Villages & Weekly Bazaars by Rotation as suggested by the Collector

Revenue 25
Dated 15th Sept 1873
Referred to
Collector
for his remarks
Sd/ [illegible]
for Secy: to Govt
Collectorate
22nd Sept 1873
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Inform the Board of Revenue that no change in the Taluq Cutcherry should be made

Sd/ [illegible]
Actg Secretary.

c. 30 Oct 73 8th Floor

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been established, is very far from our Villages. Revenue Collections should be paid into the Treasury before 4 P.M. As we have to go about 28 miles, we find it very difficult to pay the money into the Treasury on the same day. The money is sometimes taken by Jotdis and sometimes by us, and a halt in the interval is necessary.

5. West, north and southern sides of Perin-doray have many palmyra trees from 3 to 10 miles, and from January to May toddy is manu-factured extensively, which people drink, and there is thus room for the commission of murders and other troubles, but as there was a Sub Magistrate near, we had the convenience of complaining to him often, and the latter, of taking proper steps in the matter.

6. The town of Errode to which the Taluq Cut-cherry has now been transferred, is 20 or 28 miles from the last villages on 3 sides, and we are sore afraid of the troubles mentioned in para 5. For me, who are poor people, find it difficult to go to prefer complaints to the Sub Magistrate at the time of troubles, as he is not near us. Our complaint, when preferred, takes 10 or 15 days, and sometimes, one month too, when there are many other cases, for being disposed of, and during this period we are obliged to take our meals viz. there (at Errode) and attend the Cutcherry daily at 10 A.M. This is a great difficulty for us. Again, if we do not make complaints, it leads wicked people to perpetrate murders and other crimes and causes much troubles to us.

7. When the Taluq Cutcherry was at Perindoray, which is 8 to 13 miles from the farthest villages on 4 sides of it, we had the convenience of pre-ferring complaints, returning to our villages every night, and back to Cutcherry again for enquiry before 10 A.M. We beg that all these

circumstances may be taken into consideration.

8. A reference to the Sub Magistrates Calendars will convince your honor that both before and after the amalgamation of Perindoray and Errode Talugs, there had been more murders and other heinous offences committed in the limits of the former, than in those of the latter. 2 murders were within about 2 months perpetrated in the villages attached to Perindoray.

9. A late Collector Mr. E. B. Thomas, on coming to understand the above occurrences in the several limits, established the Taluq Cutcherry at Perindoray during the new organization of the Department. That Gentleman also recommended the transfer of the District Moonsiffs Court at Bhowany to the central town of Bhegur on consideration of public convenience. That Court was ordered to be held in this village (Perindoray) but the order

was subsequently countermanded.

10. Errode is a very unhealthy town, and want of water is very much felt for 2 months during the extreme hot weather. There is also a great difficulty for people to get lodgings.

11. The Taluq Cutcherry has been transferred to it (Errode) on account of its proximity to the Railway. Some other Taluq Head Quarters have no Railway at all, while some have at a distance of 4 or 10 miles. Perindoray is 3 miles from the Railway, and a straight road would, if constructed, reduce the distance to 2 miles.

12. The English Government have hitherto been improving small villages, assisting the public in many ways for the purpose, and affording all comfort to the village and people; and the present Government intend to vacate villages. Where are we, poor people, to go and live? For instance, besides the transfer of the

Taluq Cutcherry from Perindorony, we hear the Dy. Collector intends recommending the abolition of the market (Shandy) of Perindorony, which has been a convenience to the public for a long time.

13. If seven oceans overflowed, they would not cause miseries equal to ours and we therefore hope that your honor will remedy them, and pray that your honor will be pleased to re-establish the Taluq Cutcherry at Perindorony, or if unavoidable, to locate a Sub Magistrate there and thus relieve our difficulties soon.

(True translation)

For Collector.

Coimbatore Collector's office

№ 191. 16th September 1873

D.O.No. 191/9/73.

From,

A. Wedderburn Esquire,

Collector of Coimbatore.

To,

Colonel J. Beam R.E.,

District Engineer of Coimbatore

Enclosure1-
1. List of Provincial works-

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 10th instant No 136 with a list of Provincial works for approval and in reference to their order of precedence-

I would note that the Sub Collector's Cutcherry at Erode seems to claim the first, instead of the last place- In a letter №220 of 23rd December 1872, I have suggested a doubt, as to whether Erode, a low, hot, unhealthy place, should be the residence of a European officer while the neighbouring station of Perundorai

on higher ground, only 4 miles distant from the Railway station of Perindoray, and 10 miles from Erode, would be a fitter place. Perhaps after expense has been undergone -, the representations of the future Sub Collector may lead to a reconsideration of the station -

It is not necessary that the Sub Collector should reside at the junction - It will be easy for him to visit Erode as Vice President of the Municipality by road, or rail -

The other entries in your Budget list might stand in order of precedence - thus:-

2. House and office for Assistant Superintendent of Police - He has,

neither I believe, at present -

3. Police Central Jail guard quarters - I presume they are wanted without delay -

4 - Talavady, 3? class Cutcherry - I have personally ascertained that there is no more suitable village, or place for that office -

5. Kanghiem ditto

6. Kravacoorchy ditto

7. I am not fully persuaded that a Deputy Tahsildar and Sub Magistrate at Anamalley is absolutely necessary, whereas an additional Deputy Tahsildar in Erode Taluq is much required. This will be a subject of reference. So I enter it last - I selected the site on the high ground,

to the

to the north of the town.

I have the honorable
Sir,
Your most obedt Servant
(signed) A Wedderburn
Collector

(True copy)

A Wedderburn
Collector

No 271. Coimbatore Sub Collr's Office
Coonoor 17th December 1872

From,
D. Quick Esquire
Ag. Sub Collector of Coimbatore

To
A. Wedderburn Esquire
Collector of Coimbatore.

Sir,

I have the honour to return the Survey of Errode received with your letter of the 3rd Instant No. 1077 and to inform you that I have inspected the various sites available for the Sub Collector's Kutcherry at Errode.

2. Of the sites marked on the plan No 1 is better than No. 2 and No. 2 is better than No. 3. Both No. 2 and No. 3 are, however, too far removed from the town for the convenience of the people, and No. 2 is I am informed feverish. Of the three

sites

sites therefore No 1 is the best.

3. I am not informed whether it is the intention of Government to build a new residence for the Sub Collector in connection with his Katcherry. If it is then block No 1 is the best that can be obtained for both purposes. If however it is the intention of Government that the residence of their officer at Erode shall continue to be the old Traveller's Bungalow (a two roomed building unfitted for an officer of the grade of Sub Collector, with a family) then I would strongly advise the Katcherry being built on the block No 4 marked with red ink on the plan, which lies between the Bungalow and the new Katcherry.

This

This block which is 190 yards long by 100 yards broad has already been taken into to the new Taluq Katcherry Compound; but it is not required in connection with it. It has unfortunately been spoiled by the construction of the Hospital which is exceedingly badly placed within a few yards of the public road, the town, and the pyat's shed. If patients were suffering from Cholera they dare not be placed in it for fear of the contagion spreading, and it ought therefore to be removed to the rear of the latrines. The block would then be amply sufficient for the new Sub Collector's Katcherry which would be conveniently situated as regards the residence of the officer and the new Taluq Katcherry

Katchury, and the pyaki shed
and latrines attached to the latter
would necessitate the construction
of no more subsidiary buildings
for the former. The ground having
been already acquired by Government
would necessitate no further provision
on that score.

4. My opinion therefore is that
if Government do not intend
to provide any thing better than the
existing Bungalow as a residence
for the Sub Collector the best site
is that which I have marked
No. 4.

5. I trust however you
will press on Government the
necessity of providing the officer
to be stationed at Erode with
a comfortable residence. The
place

place is notoriously one of the
hottest in the Presidency, and it
is at times very unhealthy. When
therefore Government are about to
build a new Sub Collectors Katchery
I think they may without presump-
tion be asked to go a step further
than originally intended, and sanction
the erection of a two storied building
the ground floor of which would
form the Sub Collectors Katchery
and the upper story his residence.
In such a case the site selected
should be No. 1. The existing
Bungalow would never be
unoccupied as the Assistant
Superintendent of Police and
the Range Officer cannot find
accommodation at Erode and
Government need not therefore
anticipate

anticipate any loss on its account.

I have &c.

(Signed) D. Buick

Ag Sub Collector.

(True Copy)

For Collector.

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No. 67

Coimbatore Collector's
Office, 3rd May 1872.

From,

A. Wedderburn Esquire,
Collector of Coimbatore.

To,

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Madras.

Sir,

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7. As regards additional establishment, the Perindorary Taluq requires a Dy. Tahsildar and Sub Magistrate. It is the largest in the District as regards Revenue, third as regards population, and excluding the Hilly Talugs, the third in area, traversed by a railway, and having the most important channel irrigation out of the 10 Talugs, most of them of less importance, are provided with Dy. Tahsildar, but Perindorary, is not.—

8. As regards Perindorary Mr. A. M. MacGregor Dy. Collector, writes:—

"For most of the Talugs a Dy. Tahsildar is pro-
"-vided but there is none for Perindorey and were
"it not for the Railway it would be simply im-
"-possible for the Tahsildar to do his work.—

"Most of the Tahsildars time is taken up
"by his Magisterial work, his file for last year
"being 511 cases. these are exclusive of the cases
"tried by the Sheristadar.

"That the Talug subordinate establishment is
"cruelly overworked, there can be no doubt, early,
"and late they are at work with rarely a moments
"leisure.

"I pointed out the necessity for appointing
"a Dy. Tahsildar with of course his accompanying
"establishment in my letter No. 87 dated 28th July
"1868; but apparently to no purpose.†

"Nine Gomastahs only are allowed for
"Perindorey Talug and eight for Bhowany, al-
"-though there are 210 Villages in the former

† Vide my letter to Rev. Dy. dated 23rd February 1869 No. 39 printed with Dy. Pro: No. 1960 of 22nd March 1869.

"against by in the latter, and the revenue of
"the former is nearly 3 times as great as that
"of the latter.

"These facts will I think suffice to show
"the insufficiency of the establishment for the
"requirements of the Perindorey Talug and when
"the Talug Cutcherry is removed to Erode un-
"-less a Dy. Tahsildar is appointed great in-
"-convenience will be felt by those residing at the
"western end of the Talug. In addition to the Tahsil-
"-dars legitimate Revenue and Magisterial work,
"he has now to try the Municipal cases at Erode.

Transcript of Letter No. 87 of 20th July 1868.

"The Perindorey Talug is however very large
"and I think therefore that a Sub Magistrate
"should be appointed to reside in the western side
"of the Talug.

"The eastern and southern parts of this Talug
"require much supervision on account of the

"irrigation besides which it will be most in-
"convenient to convey prisoners from one extremity
"of the Taluq to the other. Chemmimalai or a station
"in that locality might be fixed on as the Sub
"Magistrate's Head Quarters.—

"The work in this Taluq is heavy and I
"feel sure that Erode will shortly become a
"place of importance.

"If my proposal in para 2 meets with your
"approval I would recommend that the Tahsildar
"be invested with first class powers and the Sub
"Magistrate with 2nd Class."

9. I quite agreed with Mr. MacGregor, but to avoid expense, I suggested the transfer of the Anamallai Sub-Magistrate to Perindorai.

10. Pallachy is a four thrake Taluq, its revenue is not much more than half of Perindorai - but it has a Dy. Tahsildar stationed 8 miles from its cutcherry. My opinion is that the Tahsildar is quite competent to manage his Taluq, without a Deputy who apparently has very little to do. The reason for retention was that violent crime was prevalent at Anamalai and cultivation had increased. The former statement however is not borne out by the police or Magisterial Statistics.

I enclose letter from the Superintendent of Police giving the criminal details of Anamalai Division for the past 5 years. The office which the Anamalai Sub Magistrate occupies is an old native Chuttrum, most cramped and inconvenient, ill ventilated and lighted. at 8 A.M. there was not light to read.

A new cutcherry was urgently required and was estimated for - but funds have not yet been allotted. the transfer of the Deputy Tahsildar to Perindorai would save this outlay (viz: Rs. 6700).

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(True Extract)

W Hardesty
Tax Collector.

No 220

Coimbatore Collr's Office
22nd December 1872.

From,
The Collector of Coimbatore.
To,
The District Engineer
Coimbatore.

Sir,

With reference to the Superintending Engineer's Postmarked G. O. No. 111 of 15th November 1872 P.W.D. I have the honor to enclose Survey of Erode and copy of a letter from the Sub Collector in reference to the site for a Cutcherry for that Office.

2. There is no house available for the residence of the Sub Collector, except the old Erode Travellers Bungalow, now used by the Division Officer, as a house and office.

3. It is the usual 3 roomed Bungalow and similar to that at Kangayam now occupied by the Sub

Sub Collector.

4. I am not aware of the views of Government as regards providing residences for officers appointed to new stations, but I think in such places as Errode, where private individuals may not consider it a profitable investment to construct houses, and where the building of a house may entail a large expense on an officer, it may be, temporarily attached to the District, it would be good policy to build a suitable residence and to charge a suitable rent for the same. It would I think be better than the advance of money to be recovered from the officer.

5. I may add that I do not think an ordinary traveller's Bungalow

Bungalow is a sufficient residence for an officer of the grade of Sub Collector.

6. As regards Mr. Burch's proposition that the said building if constructed, should form the upper story of the Cutchery, there are some objections to the same - and all things considered, I think, it should be separate from the office.

7. Whether the new office should be built at Errode is a matter which I think should receive the consideration of Government.

8. Errode as a station, is, I think, a mistake. It would have been better if the L. S. of N. had carried their line away from the Irrigated land along the Cauvery bank and made it say at Perundray or some place on high and airy ground to the west

of Errade. This of course cannot now be obviated, but a point near the Perinaday Railway station or the town of Perinaday would, where there is already a bungalow for residence, be almost as central and accessible as Errade, and much healthier.

2. Should this however be negatived, I think that the site marked No. 1 is the best. No. 2 is not to be thought of it is notoriously unhealthy. No. 3 is rather near the Railway station and might be more useful for other purposes. No. 4 in the Valay Cutcherry Compound is too much occupied with other buildings.

I have &c.

(Signed) A. Widderburn
Collector.

(True Copy)

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for Collector.

No 3272

Pro. Wt. of Revenue
Coimbatore Sub Collectr. Read 14 Oct 73
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Lucrns. for Orders.

To J.D. 29th Jany 69. No 258.

Should not charge
Erode in every way the
proper place - both more
& more healthy. X.

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To J.O. (P.W.) 4th Novbr 73
No. 1136.

In 69 a Lieutenant
Adjutant in the
Coimbatore District
was determined on
under this the Sub Collr
was to be removed
from Kongilum where
he now is to Erode
where one of the
General Duties Deputy
Collector is stationed.
The removal was
not to take effect until
a Cutcherry should
be built and from
various causes this
remained in abeyance
until in the early
part of this year a
plan & estimate
was submitted &
sanctioned.

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Ans. a letter from
the Collector of
Coimbatore Dated
15th September 1873
No 410.

Rs
2934/43

Submitted

Sd. 25th Nov/73 to 1874

Board were disposed
a recommendation of
Lieut. Wedderburn that
the Sub-Collector
should not be stationed
at Erode but at
Perundray 12 miles
distant, as the former
is "low, hot & unhealthy"
while the latter is
"higher & healthier"
& "four miles from a
station".

III Lieut. Wedderburn appears
to have changed his
mind for in November
last he wrote that with
"Lieut. Webster's concurrence"
he would "suggest that
Erode be the Sub-Collectors
Station.

IV The difficulty at Erode
is the want of dwelling
houses. It is now the
headquarters of a large

work.

If it seems desirable
whether this building
should not be again
used as a public bungalow
now that people going
to Pollamcotta etc pass
the bungalow will
they have to sleep
at the station
at Erode

Lieut.

officer & after Assistant
Superintendent of Police
There is an old public
bungalow which is the
Dist. Collectors office, & when
that officer is a European
his residence. The Sub-Coll.
might live in this but it
is an uncomfortable
building & badly situated
If this office is placed at
Erode he must have
a house built on the
Southern side of the
line there are within
the knowledge of the
acting under secretary
three or four capital sites
in Erode ground - Erode
is now a Municipality
& the presence of a European
officer seems necessary.
However at Perundray with
the present arrangements
of trains he could not
get to the Southern
portion of his charge
without being detained
at Erode for a night.

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Perindeay there is an old public bungalow & which part of it is occupied is now in the occupation of the Police. It may be healthier than Trodc but it is certainly duller & less convenient and if a house be built at the latter away from the town there would be little objection to it though it might not be a favorite station.

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Memo. for Orders

Coimbatore Sub Collr's
Head-Quarters

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Revenue Department.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Dated 14th October 1873.
No 2165

Read endorsement of Government dated 22d September 1873, referring for the Board's [illegible] a/k, letter from the Collector of Coimbatore No 460 of 16th Idem, requesting that Periandoray may be the Head Quarters of the Sub Collector, and that the Annamallay Deputy Tahsildar may be transferred to Periandoray.

The Collector of Coimbatore has addressed the Government direct in order to participate the allotment of money for a Sub Collector's office at Erode which he considers to be ill-suited from position and on sanitary grounds for the Head Quarters of the Coimbatore Sub Division

2. The inducement to choose this station was solely the circumstance that

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that two lines of railway converging there confer upon it an exceptional importance. The proximity of Periandoray however makes this argument of little moment when the two places are compared, access to Erroade by road and rail being easy from Periandorai. The latter is, in other points of view, to be preferred. It is elevated and healthy while Erroade is low-lying and unhealthy, and it has better accommodation for officials. The Board support Mr. Wedderburn's recommendation that it should be chosen as the Sub Collectors' Head Quarters.

3. The Collector's letter, proposing the transfer of the Avanaliyapuram Sub-Magistrate to Periandorai where a Kutcherri exists, relates to a general subject and will be separately considered.

(True Extract)

To the Secretary to Government Revenue Department.

[illegible] Secretary

No. 130

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Proceedings of the

Board of Revenue

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No. 1294 — 25 Novr. 33

Subject

Supporting Mr. [illegible]'s recommendation that Perundorai should be chosen as the Sub Collr's Coimbatore Head Quarters, & Stating that the transfer proposed of the Anamallay Sub Magte to Perundorai will be separately considered as it relates to a general subject.

With Order

No. 1294

The Government are of opinion that the proposed arrangement should be adhered to and the building of the sub Collector's office at Erode be proceeded with.

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[illegible] Revenue Departmt. [illegible] Secretary