Read the following :—

No. 23. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 20th November 1873, No. 2,384.

Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 5th November 1873, No. 1,237, Revenue Department :—

ABSTRACT.—*Taluq Maps of Tinnevelly District.*—Approving Proceedings of the Board of Revenue on the subject of deferring the preparation of the — pending the revision of village boundaries.

A copy of Board's Proceedings, dated 18th November 1873, No. 2,347, will be submitted to Government, and Government will see that, on reconsideration, the Board have agreed with Colonel Priestley that, unless special orders to the contrary are given, the maps may be based on the state of the country when the final process of mapping villages is completed.

No. 24. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 18th November 1873, No. 2,347,

Read the following letter from Captain J. G. CLOETE, Deputy Superintendent, in charge of the Office of Superintendent, Revenue Survey, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Chepauk, 31st October 1873, No. 2,631-133 :—

I have the honour to report that I forwarded for Colonel Priestley's perusal, a copy of Board's Proceedings, dated 16th October 1873, No. 2,118, regarding the late alteration of boundaries and transfers of villages in Tinnevelly, and at that officer's request, I beg to submit the following statement, which will, it is trusted, show that the Survey Department have not been unduly hasty in compiling and printing the Taluq Maps of that district.

2. The demarcation of the Tinnevelly Taluq was commenced in May 1862, and of Nanganeri in January 1863; the transfers of villages in these two taluqs were recommended in June 1873, that is, about eleven years after the taluqs were demarcated.

3. Before the transfers had been effected, the taluqs had been completely surveyed and mapped, and the Taluq Maps were being lithographed; many completed and lithographed Village Maps have now been rendered useless, and a great deal of work will have to be done over again.

4. The delay that will be caused in supplying the Government of India with Geographical material is noted by the Board.

5. Independently of the alteration caused by transfers of the whole or portions of villages, the face of the country is being constantly changed by the construction of new Roads, Canals, Railways, etc., and the clearance of jungle and extension of cultivation. Colonel Priestley wishes some time fixed after which we should take no note of such changes; it is clear that the *completion* of Village Maps and consequently the supply of field cross must be greatly impeded,

if the work has to be revised owing to changes that have taken place since the survey, we have already suffered from this cause; I would suggest that unless otherwise specially ordered, we be permitted to ignore all changes that may occur in a taluq after the final process of mapping villages has been completed. Changes will have to be periodically noted hereafter.

6. With reference to Mr. Puckle's remarks in paragraph 4 of his letter, I have the honour to state that the Local Fund Maps he alludes to as imperfect, are not made from our surveys, and that the line of Rail and Irrigation channels have been inserted in our maps.

On re-consideration the Board agree with the Superintendent of Revenue Survey.

No. 25. ORDER THEREON, 3rd December 1873, No. 1,337.

Miscellaneous.

APPROVED.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. G. A. Turton.

No. 58. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Works Department, dated 21st November 1873, No. 2,819 :—

ABSTRACT.—Passing orders on papers relating to the conduct of Supervisor Ramayya in charge of Parla Kimedy Estate in the Ganjam District.

No. 59. ORDER THEREON, 5th December 1873, No. 1,353.

Miscellaneous.

COMMUNICATED to the Court of Wards who will be good enough to call upon the Collector to expedite the report referred to in paragraph 2 of their Proceedings of the 9th August 1873, No. 1,537.

2. It is observed that full information regarding the lands held by Tai Ramayya in the Kimedy Estate was furnished to the Public Works Department with G. O., 24th October 1873, No. 1,162.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Secretary to Government.

To the Court of Wards.
,, the Public Works Department.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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