Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 31st March 1873.

No. 269. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 25th March 1873, No. 451 :—

Read again Board's Proceedings, dated 25th September 1872, No. 1,910.

Read also the following papers :—

Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 23rd December 1872, No. 1,713.

ABSTRACT.—Passing orders on North Arcot Collector's report on damage done to tanks in certain taluqs by late storm and requesting Board to report how they have disposed of the case against the Wandewash Tahsildar.

From the Acting Collector of North Arcot, dated 17th December 1872, No. 663.

ABSTRACT.—Forwarding copies of the report of the Sub-Collector on the state of the Wandewash Taluq as administered by the Tahsildar, Kistnier, together with its enclosures.

From the same Officer, dated 20th December 1872, No. 677.

ABSTRACT.—Forwarding, in continuation of his letter, No. 633, dated 17th December, copy of Sub-Collector's letter, No. 769, dated 5th December 1872, regarding irrigation works in the Wandewash Taluq.

[illegible] Officer, dated 20th December 1872, No. 678.

ABSTRACT.—Forwarding, in continuation of his letter, No. 663, dated 17th instant, copy of Sub-Collector's letter, No. 753, dated 29th November 1872, regarding irrigation works in Wandewash Taluq.

From the same Officer, dated 17th January 1873, No. 31.

ABSTRACT.—Submitting translations of the explanation, etc., furnished by Kistnier, Tahsildar of Wandewash, called for by the Board in their Proceedings, No. 1,910, dated 25th September 1872.

From the same Officer, dated 6th February 1873, No. 74.

ABSTRACT.—Retransmitting the Statements A and B received with Board's Official Memorandum, No. 203, dated 27th ultimo, together with translations of remarks entered in them.

Petitions Nos. 2,014 and 2,605 of 1872, and Nos. 3 and 109 of 1873, from K. Kistnier, Tahsildar of Wandewash.

IN a series of letters which are disposed of in Board's Proceedings, 25th September 1872, No. 1,910, the Collector of North Arcot reported heavy arrears and gross carelessness in almost every branch of revenue work in the Wandewash Taluq under the Tahsildar, Kistnier. The Board desired that the Tahsildar's defence and a statement of the work he had done as well as of that he had undone should be laid before them.

2. In his letter of the 4th December 1872, No. 636, Mr. Whiteside reported that serious damage had been done to irrigation works in the Wandewash Taluq by the heavy rains of the 21st and 30th November, and that this damage "with all its consequent heavy outlay in repairs and remissions on account of perished crops, etc., was mainly to be ascribed to the apathy and neglect of Kistnier," who, in spite of well known orders published in the District Gazette, just before the monsoon had allowed the calingulahs of tanks to remain closed by mud dams. On the 22nd November, at a time when rain was descending in torrents, the Sub-Collector called the attention of Kistnier to the calingulah of the large tank of Wandewash, his head-quarters. It was even then dammed up by a solid thick mud wall, and it afterwards breached in two places. The Board on this directed that Kistnier should be at once suspended, and Government desired them to report in due course how the case had been disposed of.

3. The papers now before the Board enable them to form a distinct opinion as to the extent to which Kistnier has been in fault and as to the excuses which he can offer. Though his work was certainly heavy it is evident that he did not use the means at his disposal to advantage, and that his office was not organized or worked with energy. The arrears, etc., reported in the letters disposed of in Board's Proceedings, 25th September 1872, No. 1,910, show that he is inert, indifferent, and perhaps incapable of discharging the duties of a Tahsildar. The neglect to carry out orders with regard to keeping the calingulahs of tanks open is a species of fault which must, in justice to the State and [illegible] severely punished.

4. The Board resolve to direct that Kistnier be reduced from the rank of Tahsildar and employed in the next grade as a Sub-Magistrate or Taluq Sheristadar.

No. 270. ORDER THEREON, 31st March 1873, No. 375.

Miscellaneous.

ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.

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J. Cole
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, with Board's Proceedings, 25th September 1872, No. 1,910, five original letters with their enclosures from Collector, and four Petitions.

" the Collector of North Arcot.

Copy to the Accountant-General.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

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PROCEEDINGS, 25TH MARCH 1873, No. 451.

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Kistnier, Tahsildar of Wandewash—in North Arcot District, to be reduced to grade of Sub-Magistrate or Taluq Sheristadar for neglect of duty and carelessness.

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To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

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Dated March 31st.

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G. O., 31st March 1873, No. 375.

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No. 269-270.

Kisinier, Tahsildar of Wandewash in North Arcot.— Proceedings of the Board of Revenue regarding his reduction to the grade of Sub-Magistrate, recorded.