Read the following :—

No. 166. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 28th April 1873, No. 662.

Read the following letter from R. K. PUCKLE, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 25th February 1873, No. 88:—

WITH reference to Government Proceedings, No. 1,376, dated 3rd October 1872, appointing Singam Aiyengar, the Tahsildar of Sattur, to the special duty of making over land for the Railway and determining compensation for the same, I have the honour to inform you that Singam Aiyengar returned to his duties as Tahsildar on 1st January last and the whole of the land required has now been made over to the Railway Engineers.

2. The line passes through 81 villages in the Sattur, Ottapedaram, and Tinnevelly Taluqs. The whole of the land required was measured up, mapped, and registered by my Settlement establishment, and 24 villages had been handed over before Singam Aiyengar was appointed, it, therefore, devolved on him to make over the land and determine the compensation in 57 villages, 28 of which were in his own taluq. This he has successfully done, and I forward, herewith, bills amounting to Rupees 24,392-2-10.

3. The mode of compensation adopted was to take the leading classes—Karisal, Veppal, Pottal, and Seval—into which the lands are divided and to fix on each a standard rate of compensation, which was determined according to a general valuation of such lands in the neighbourhood, viz., 40 years' assessment for Karisal, 35 years for Veppal, 30 years for Pottal, 25 years for superior, and 20 years for inferior, Seval. These rates were thought amply sufficient for those persons who had no sale deeds to show, but those who could produce sale deeds were allowed to benefit by such higher rates as might be exhibited therein. The aggregate hitherto paid on passed bills including the heavy payments for station grounds in Tinnevelly and Tuticorin amounts to Rupees 1,01,997-2-4, which with the bills now submitted gives a total of Rupees 1,26,389-5-2 out of the Rupees 1,70,000 sanctioned for this purpose.

4. I occasionally receive requisitions for the further purchase of bungalow grounds, but with the bills now submitted the heavy payments will have been made and Rupees 1,30,000 will cover everything.

5. The total area taken up is 1,235 acres and 77 cents, of which 134 acres and 22 cents are Government waste, 722 acres and 53 cents are held on putta, 314 acres* and 69 cents are Zemindari and Kattuguttagei, and 64 acres and 33 cents are inam.

* Including the lands referred to in Government Proceedings, No. 1,213, dated 17th August 1872.

6. The total assessment to be remitted will be Rupees 1,564-0-1 in Government lands, Rupees 316-7-11 in Zemindari Peishcush and Kattuguttagei quit-rent, and Rupees 49-11-10 in providing Government lands as a substitute for those taken away from the Inamdars.

7. The line has been inspected throughout by the Revenue and Department of Public Works Officers in company with the Railway Engineers and the needful places for level crossings and culverts have been fixed on.

8. The assessment of the ryotwari lands taken up will be struck out of this year's puttas, and a list showing the deductions to be made in Zemindari Peishcush and Kattuguttagei quit-rent is herewith submitted for sanction.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 to 4.—Copies of Registers of Lands taken up for Railway purposes.

ENCLOSURE No. 5.—Copy of Bill.

ENCLOSURE No. 6.—List showing deductions to be made in Zemindari Peishcush and Kattuguttagei quit-rent.

MR. PUCKLE reports in this letter that Singam Aiyengar, employed on special duty under G. O., dated 3rd October 1872, No. 1,376, has brought his work to a close and that the whole of the land required by the Railway Company has now been made over to them.

2. Singam Aiyengar seems to have done his work quickly and well. The method adopted in calculating the value of land is unusual but the result is not unfair to the State.

3. Compensation for 59·77 acres of inam land, assessed at Rupees 49-4-2, which is computed at Rupees 1,270-14-0 and shown in detail in the registers, is deducted from the totals and the bill is made out for the net amount only. In the absence of any explanation of this deduction the Board do not understand how the Collector proposes to adjust the claims of the Inamdars. It may be that it is intended to allow them a fresh assignment of land and the assessment of that land, is included in the Rupees 49-11-10 mentioned in paragraph 6.

4. The total area taken up by the Railway authorities is acres 1,235·77 as per marginal details, and the cash payments inclusive of Singam Aiyengar's settlement amounts to Rs. 1,26,389-5-2 out of Rupees 1,70,000 sanctioned for this purpose. The Collector calculates that the aggregate expenditure will not be more than Rupees 1,30,000.

	Acres.	Cents.
Government waste	134	22
Putta lands	722	53
Zemindari and Kattuguttagei ...	314	69
Inam	64	33
Total ...	1,235	77

5. The capitalized value of annual revenue remitted cannot be precisely stated because the assessment on Government waste lands is not given in the registers. Calculated at five per cent. on the assessment* of the other lands it amounts to Rupees 38,600.

Remitted Assessment.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Ryotwari lands	1,564	0	1
Zemindari, etc.	316	7	11
Inams, etc.	49	11	10
Total ...	*1,930	3	10

6. The Board authorize the redu ion in Kattuguttagei quit-rent of Rupees 96-13-7 recommended in paragraph 3 and solicit the sanction of Government for the reduction of the peishcush of the following permanently settled estates:—

	Acres.	Assessment Rs.	A.	P.
Ettiapuram	45·49	41	4	5
Mannarkottei	6·96	6	9	7
Gollapathi	42·20	48	15	7
Total	94·71	96	13	7

No. 166A. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 11th June 1873, Miscellaneous No. 3,546.

Read Official Memorandum from the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 20th May 1873, No. 105.

ABSTRACT.—Requesting explanation of certain discrepancies in Board's Proceedings regarding revision of Zemindari peishcush on account of land taken up for railway in Tinnevelly District.

THE difference of Rupees 103-11-9, noticed between the statement in paragraph 6 of Collector's letter, dated 25th February 1873, No. 88, and that in the enclosure which accompanied it, is because the Collector rightly excluded from the latter the amount of reduction of peishcush already sanctioned by Government in their Order, dated 17th August 1872, No. 1,213.

2. The reduction in the Kattuguttagei quit-rent was sanctioned under the general authority vested in the Board by G. O., dated 16th February 1872, to grant compensation for Inam lands taken up for public purposes. The amount remitted should have been Rs. 115-14-7, and not Rs. 96-13-7, as stated by oversight in Board's Proceedings, dated 28th April 1873, No. 662.

3. The Board find from G. O., dated 22nd March 1873, No. 897, Public Works Department, that the registers of land taken up by the railway have been submitted to Government in the usual course, and the disbursement of compensation sanctioned by them.

No. 167. ORDER THEREON, 19th July 1873, No. 752.

Land Revenue.

SANCTION is accordingly granted for the reduction of the peishcush of the under-mentioned permanently settled estates by the sum specified opposite to each:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Ettiapuram	41	4	5
Mannarkottei	6	9	7
Gollapathi	48	15	7

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2. In all such cases, the present [illegible]ishcush, the reduction proposed, and the future peishcush should be stated.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Accountant-General.
,, the Public Works Department.

Revenue Department.

No. 752

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 19th July 1873.

Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Requesting sanction of Govt. for reduction of peishcush of certain permanently settled estates in Tinnevelly District. (M. C. 28th April 1873 No. 662.)

Submitting explanation of the discrepancies noticed in the Board's Pro: regarding the remission of Zemmdary peishcush on account of land taken up for Railways in Tinnevelly District. (M. C. 11th June 1873 Nos 2 & 3. 3516)

Sanction is accordingly granted for the reduction of the Peishcush of the undermentioned permanently settled estates by the sum specified opposite to each:—

Ettiapuram	Rs 41-4-5
Nonmarkotter	6-9-7
Collapathi	48-15-7

Govt. of Madras

REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated July 1873.

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Nos. 166—167.

Peishcush of certain permanently settled Estates in the Tinnevelly District.—Sanctioning the reduction of the —, and requesting the Board of Revenue to state in all such cases the present peishcush, the reduction proposed, and the future peishcush.

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2. In all such cases, the present Parishioner, the reduction proposed and the future Parishioner should be stated.