No. 76. Read the following lette H. WELLESLEY, Esq., Officiating Secretary to the Chie missioner of Mysore, to the Hon. R. A. DALYELL, Acting Secre to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Banga 9th August 1873, No. 2,876-25, R :—

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Proceedings of the Chief Commissioner of dated 29th August 1873, No. 2,875, Pol. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Approving the arrangement posed for the completion of the boundary-line between Salem District and Mysore, and sanc the proposal to depute Gundappa, Amildar of the Devanahalli Taluq, instead of Rangasam complete the demarcation of the line between the trunk road and the Coimbatore frontier.

No. 77. ORDER THEREON, 1 September 1873, No. 971.

Miscellaneous.

COMMUNICATED to the Board of Revenue.

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

To the Board of Revenue.

Ed. F. B. Bantleman.

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From the Acting Secretary to Government of Madras, To the Chief Commissioner of Mysore,
No. 858—120, dated Ootacamund, 15th August 1873.

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Progs. of Govt., 15th August 1873, No. 857.

I am directed to forward the accompanying Proceedings of this Government, containing a letter from Mr. Price, now acting as Collector of the Salem District, in which he brings to notice that the Amildar, specially deputed to fix the boundary between that District and Mysore, has returned to his permanent post, leaving the boundary-work unfinished.

2. Mr. Price, who is well acquainted with that part of the District, reports that 98 measured miles have already been demarcated, but that he believes that little short of 80 more still remain unsettled.

3. His Excellency the Governor has no means of testing the correctness of this estimate; but I am desired to say that he thinks it highly desirable that the definition and demarcation of the boundary-line should be thoroughly completed, and that the officer formerly deputed, or another special officer, should be sent to meet the Thásildar of Oossoor, who is still held in readiness for this special duty.

No. 118.—Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 25th July 1873, No. 1400.

Read the following letter from F. Price, Esq., Acting Collector of Salem, to J. Grose, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Mallapadi, 25th June 1873, No. 185.

I HAVE the honor to report, for the information of the Board of Revenue, that I have just received a report from the Special Thásildar deputed to mark out the boundary line between this District and the Mysore Territory, informing me that, in consequence of Rangasámi Pille, the Special Amildar deputed to co-operate with him, having written to his superiors stating that the boundary work has been nearly finished, and that what remains can be carried out by the Amildars concerned, that officer has been directed to rejoin his appointment and work is at a stand-still.

2. This has taken me entirely by surprise as I have received no communication either from the authorities in Mysore or the Acting Sub-Collector. I have written on the subject to the Commissioner of Nandidroog.

3. The real truth is this: Ninety-eight miles of the boundary have been completed; fifty-five or thereabouts remain. Of this extent ten miles are on the plateau, and could be finished within a week; five miles are the subject of disputes which have to be settled; and forty miles are in jungle very scantily inhabited, rough, and unhealthy. I heard when last at Oossoor that Rangasámi Pille was afraid of the jungle work, and the Special Thásildar seemed to me to share his feelings. I can, therefore, only set down his report that operations were nearly over to his wish to escape rough work and a chance of fever.

4. Knowing the Oossoor Talook as well as I do, I can assure the Board that, if the demarcation work is left to the talook officers on either side, the result will be most unsatisfactory. The country to be gone over now is rough and wild in extreme, long-standing forest disputes exist with regard to parts of it, and the talook officials will avoid going into it, and will have, when taken to task, the unanswerable excuse of other more pressing business. The end of it will be that the village officers will do the work, and do it badly, and that we shall have a fresh crop of disputes to settle at some future time.

5. As Sub-Collector I have done everything that I could to press on the work, and I have issued instructions to the Acting Sub-Collector to do the same. I consider that the Special Thásildar has not loitered in any way, and that he has done the work as rapidly as was consistent with good results.

6. The Board, when commenting upon the scheme at the time that it was placed before Government, estimated the distance to be demarcated at about 100 miles, but it has now proved to be considerably greater, for ninety-eight measured miles have been disposed of, and I believe myself that what remains will not be far short of eighty miles more.

7. I beg respectfully to reiterate the opinion, which I have all along held and which is based upon a long personal knowledge of the country, its difficulties, and the disputes involved, that the Mysore demarcation cannot be completed under a year from its commencement, and that the work should not be done by any but special officers.

SUBMITTED to Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated 19th April 1873, No. 603, with the recommendation that the Mysore Government be moved to restore the arrangement already made and let the demarcation of the boundary be completed by the two Special Thásildars.

No. 119. ORDER THEREON, 15th August 1873, No. 857.

Miscellaneous.

ORDERED accordingly that the Chief Commissioner of Mysore be addressed in the sense desired by the Board of Revenue.

From the Commissioner of the Nandidroog Division, To the Offg. Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Mysore, No. 3, Pol. dated Bangalore, 20th August 1873.

With reference to your letter, No. 5090—Pol. 1, of 6th December 1872, approving of the arrangements made for the demarcation of the boundary line between Mysore and the Salem District, I have the honor to state for the Chief Commissioner's information that the six months' time for which a special establishment for the purpose was sanctioned, expired on the 20th June last, 98 miles of the boundary have, as reported by Mr. Price, the Acting Collector of Salem, been completed and there still remain 55 miles, 40 of which run through hilly, scantily inhabited, unhealthy and difficult country.

2. Having consulted Mr. Price, I propose that the small portion of demarcation work remaining between the Oossoor trunk road and the North Arcot frontier, should be finished by the Amildars of the border talooks in conjunction with the Special Amildar on the part of the Madras Government; but for the portion between the trunk road and the Coimbatore frontier a special Amildar will have to be deputed on the part of the Mysore Government, and I have ascertained from Mr. Price that it will take about three months to complete the latter portion of the work.

3. Mr. Price has fully concurred in the above arrangements, and with the Chief Commissioner's sanction I would propose to depute Gundappa, Amildar of Dévanahalli Talook, to carry out the work on the same allowance and with the same establishment which Rangasámi Pille had for the six months he was employed on this duty. Rangasámi Pille's health broke down somewhat, or I should have proposed to send *him* out again.

No. 2875—POL. 1, DATED BANGALORE, 29TH AUGUST 1873.

ORDER THEREON.—With reference to the statement contained at the end of para 3 of Mr. Price's letter* recorded above, it appears to the Chief Commissioner, that Amildar Rangasámi Pille entirely misrepresented the progress made in marking out the boundary line between the Salem District and Mysore, and thus avoided completing the work for which he was specially deputed. The Amildar should be called upon for an immediate explanation.

*No. 1400, dated 25th July 1873.

2. The arrangements now proposed by Colonel Pearse in the *marginally noted letter for the completion of the boundary line which are stated to have been concurred in by the Acting Collector of Salem, are approved by the Chief Commissioner, and may be adopted.

*No. 3, dated the 20th August 1873.

3. The proposal to depute Gundappa, Amildar of the Dévanahalli Talook, instead of Rangasámi Pille, to complete the demarcation of the line between the trunk road and the Coimbatore frontier, is also sanctioned; his allowance and establishment being the same as authorized for Rangasámi Pille.

Amildar's Allowance Rs.			50
Establishment.			
1 Gumáshta	Rs.	20	
6 Peons at 6 Rs. each	„	36	
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4. It is understood that the Amildar's services for this work will not be required for more than three months (*vide* para 3 of Colonel Pearse's letter); but the Chief Commissioner considers it essential that the whole line should be marked off without delay.

5. ORDERED, that the following letter be sent to the Government of Madras, in reply to their letter of the 15th August 1873, No. 858.

H. W. WELLESLEY,
Offg. Secretary.

To—The Commissioner, Nandidroog Division.
„ Deputy Accountant General, Mysore.
„ Acting Collector, Salem District.

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MYSORE CHIEF COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
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Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

Offg. Secretary.

No. 771.

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