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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Political Department, 20th March 1874.

No. 63. Read the following letter from J. H. GARSTIN, Esq., Collector and Special Agent, South Arcot, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Cuddalore, 3rd March 1874, No. 51 :—

The Government, in their Proceedings of the 13th February 1873, No. 60, ratified a Convention having for its object the construction of a channel from the Pennar River across a French tank called Arachikupum to an English village called Upalavadi.

2. When our officer began to cut the line through the Arachikupum Tank the Monegar of that village stopped the work on the pretext that the wrong line was being worked on. The French Government being appealed to suggested a meeting of an Engineer Officer of their service with one of ours to determine the point, and on their meeting the French Officer was convinced that the right line had been marked out, but justified the interference of the Monegar on the ground that the 1st Article of the Convention above quoted is worded so as to mislead. It says the line shall pass through the tank "at a distance of 261 English feet more to the north (of the old trace) and shall pass through the first line of trees situated on the edge of the northern bund of the tank."

3. The first line of trees he points out is about fifteen metres further off still. However, the result of the meeting is that, in order to save some twenty mango trees which will be destroyed if the line settled by the Convention is adhered to strictly, it is proposed to alter it a few feet (the French Engineer says nine, the English "about four"). At any rate our officer sees no objection to the change of line, which is very slight, and I therefore report the matter for the information and orders of Government with a recommendation that the line as now settled between the two Engineer Officers be adopted and the work pushed on.

4. I enclose the original correspondence on the subject and request it may be returned.

No. 64. ORDER THEREON, 20th March 1874, No. 123.

Under the circumstances brought to notice by the Collector and Special Agent of South Arcot the Governor in Council sanctions the slight deviation proposed to be made in the line of the channel adverted to.

(True Extract.)

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Collector and Special Agent, South Arcot,
with original papers returned.
" Revenue Department.
" Public Works do.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

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To

THE COLLECTOR & SPECIAL AGENT,
South Arcot.

Dated March 1874.

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Fixed Quit-rent on the Sugala division proposed to be sold by auction of the Land which is longest held by the Revenue Survey & French Rock Inland Area Company Limited in South Arcot, submitted.

No 203

Comm.r to the Board of Revenue

31 March/74

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