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26th February 1874.*

No. 223. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th February 1874, No. 225:—

Read the following letter from R. K. PUCKLE, Esq., Collector of Tinnevely, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Trichendur, 30th December 1873, No. 740:—

WITH reference to the Board's Proceedings, Miscellaneous No. 6,906, dated 14th October 1872, I have the honour to inform you that the Avudiapuram estate was attached on the 8th November 1872 for an arrear of Rupees 1,442.

2. This arrear has since been liquidated, and the estate was made over to the Zemindar on the 17th instant, with a balance to credit of Rupees 2,516 and about Rupees 200 worth of paddy.

3. During this year of management the differences between landlord and tenant have been adjusted, and puttass have been issued to the cultivating ryots; the principal irrigation works have been repaired, and some pressing debts have been discharged.

4. Mr. Bird, the Assistant Collector, has taken great pains to manage the estate to advantage, and a copy of his report is enclosed.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From G. E. BIRD, Esq., Assistant Collector, to R. K. PUCKLE, Esq., Collector of Tinnevely, dated Strivilliputtur, 20th December 1873, No. 116.

I HAVE the honour to report that, on the 17th instant, I delivered over charge of the Avudiapuram estate to the Zemindar.

2. In November 1872 there was an arrear of peishcush due to Government, amounting to Rupees 1,442-9-6, and, as the affairs of the Zemindari had been allowed to fall into great confusion during the long period of the Zemindar's minority, the Government sanctioned the retention of the management for another year although the minor had come to age, and on the 8th November 1872 the estate was nominally attached and made over to my charge.

Vide Government Proceedings, No. 1,384, dated 4th October 1872.

3. During the period of the attachment all the disputes between the Zemindar and his tenants have been settled, and the ryots have quietly received their puttass for Faslies 1280, 1281, and 1282.

4. When I took charge the Curnam's accounts showed an arrear of Rupees 5,293-6-1 as being due to the estate from the tenants. Of this amount Rupees 2,770-3-7 was due for Faslies 1273 to 1279, and as no summary proceedings could be taken but little of this has been collected, and the rest may be fairly said to be irrecoverable. Of the kists due for Faslies 1280, 1281, and 1282, which amount to Rupees 7,288-5-0, Rupees 5,574-12-8 have been collected, and process have been issued for the collection of the remainder.

5. During the year of management the total amount of collection, valuing the Melvaram produce at the current selling price, amounts to Rupees 16,672-3-5, and the expenses to Rupees 14,156-13-4. Of the latter the amount paid for peishcush and road-cess was Rupees 7,385-10-5, for establishment Rupees 945-5-3, and the maintenance of the Zemindar and family Rupees 1,252. Rupees 1,162-11-8 was spent in repair to tanks, channels, and other irrigation works, which was emergently needed, and Rupees 1,514-12-4 was paid in satisfaction of the more pressing debts incurred by the minor before the estate was attached.

6. When the father of the present Zemindar died he left some Rupees 60,000 of debts, of which not more than Rupees 20,000 were cleared off by the late Manager. The creditors have now filed suits, and the Zemindar will plead not indebted under the precedent afforded by the late

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decision of the Civil Court in the Sivagherri case. Another suit has been filed by Velayudam Pillay, the late Manager, to recover Rupees 14,000 paid over by him under a Muchilka executed before you, and in which I believe you have been made a defendant.

7. If the decision in these suits is adverse to the Zemindar nothing can save the estate and it must be sold, and even if it is not the prospect is but little better; for the minor has himself contracted a large amount of debt, which, according to a list furnished to me by himself, amounts to Rupees 5,750, but which I have reason to suppose is several thousand Rupees more. The boy has extravagant and expensive tastes, and I do not suppose he will make any real attempt to clear off these debts even if he abstains from contracting fresh ones.

8. At present he has in his hands a ready money balance of Rupees 2,515-6-1 and partly amounting to Kottahs 39-7-4. Full statements showing the demand and collection, the disbursements, and the cultivation are herewith enclosed.

9. In conclusion, I would bring to your notice the great diligence and tact displayed by the Manager, Kuppusami Row, who now reverts to his permanent post of 3rd Class Revenue Inspector of Tenkare, and hope that, on an early opportunity, you may be able to reward his good service by promotion.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) R. K. PUCKLE,
Collector.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government with reference to G. O., dated 4th October 1872, No. 1,384.

No. 221. ORDER THEREON, 26th February 1871, No. 255.

Miscellaneous.

RECORDED.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R. Darttlenan.

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(True Copies and Extract.)

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
Copy to the Collector of Tinnevely.

Ed. J. Tulloch.

Acting Sub-Secretary...

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PROCEEDINGS, 5TH FEBRUARY 1874, No. 225.

Copy to Secretary 1874.
Encl.

Arundipuram estate—in Tinnevely District, which was attached for arrears of revenue in November 1872.—Collector's letter, reporting release of—from attachment and its transfer to Zemindar, arrears having been liquidated submitted to Government. 25/2/74.

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