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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 6th February 1874.

Read the following letter from G. D. LEMAN, Esq., Collector of the Kistna District, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Vinukonda, 28th January 1874, Extra No. 5 :—

I HAVE the honour to request the orders of the Board in the case stated below which, I find, will be of very common occurrence in the settlement this year.

2. A ryot, fearing the settlement rates, gave up his field within the time allowed, and it became Government waste; subsequently he has entered on it again, has grown a crop upon it, and asks that it may now be re-included in his putta. He is liable, by what he has done, to prohibitive assessment for unlicensed cultivation, and the land, he has relinquished, cannot be given to him again, except under the durkhast rules, which entail the usual application, inquiry in the village, etc., etc., and the final probability that some one will come forward and claim the land from him.

3. Will the Board direct that so much of the durkhast rules as forbid the giving back his field on his application to a former holder are in abeyance during the settlement?

4. In cases where the land is applied for by some one, not the old cultivator, and the old cultivator wishes to get it back, I would propose to the Board to direct that this claim be allowed as a preferential one during this and next year up to July 31st.

5. In my letter, extra No. 4, dated 28th January 1874, I have treated of the special cases where the excess by settlement is more than 100 per cent. I would request this concession in all cases.

P. S.—I would beg for an early answer to this letter, as I expect the settlement of Repalli and Bapatla will both commence by the middle of next month.

THE Board approve of the Collector's proposals, and observe that, as extended cultivation may naturally be expected owing to the old rates having been in many cases reduced, the penalties referred to should not be exacted to the utmost. A distinction should be made between *bonâ fide* industry and enterprize and the surreptitious occupation of prohibited spots.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

J Grose

Secretary.

To the Collector of the Kistna District.

Copy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

,, to the Director of Revenue Settlement.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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Relinquishment of Fields—by ryts in Kistna District from apprehension that settlement rates would be unfavourable to ther, and subsequent cultivation of the lands by th same ryots.—Collector's proposal that re-grant of — to cultivators should be allowed during the settlement, approved.

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