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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Revenue DEPARTMENT

G.O. No.	1170	Press
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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
2nd August 1875.*

Read the following :—

No. 24. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 1st July 1875, No. 1,827, Forest No. 126.

Read the following papers :—

Read Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 17th June 1875, No. 920, Revenue Department :—

From A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd June 1875, No. 187.

WITH reference to the Board's remark in their Proceedings, No. 103A-1,544, of 8th June 1875, that Extract Minutes of Consultation, 2nd June 1854, No. 630, has not been communicated to the Board, I have the honor to refer to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th June 1854, No. 492, Public Works Department.

From the same officer, dated 24th June 1875, No. 189.

WITH reference to Board's Proceedings, No. 103A, of 8th June 1875, I have the honor to forward, for the information of the Board of Revenue and of Government, copy of a letter* from the Acting Resident of Travancore and Cochin, of

*No. — of 18th June 1875.

which the object is apparently to postpone the delineation of the boundary. The Cochin Dewan is in doubt whether the demarcation in question is a demarcation or a settlement. The survey, I understand, provides for both—a permanent record, both on the ground and on paper, of the settlement, which seems to have been already decided by Government as before stated.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From Major W. HAY, Acting Resident in Travancore and Cochin, to A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore, dated 18th June 1875, No. —.

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th ultimo, No. 106, which was duly communicated to the Dewans of Travancore and Cochin, and whose replies I have now received.

2. The G. Os., No. 1,317, dated 13th October 1874, and No. 425, dated 15th March 1875, Revenue Department, alluded to by you have not been received in this office.

3. The Dewan of Cochin is in doubt whether the demarcation now proposed is for the settlement of boundaries between the Travancore and Cochin States on the one hand, and the adjacent British district on the other, as proposed by Mr. Ballard, and approved by Government in their order, dated 10th June 1874, No. 712, or an action of the Revenue Survey Department which Government then considered should be subordinate to the general scheme sketched by the Resident.

4. In the former case, the Dewan observes that it would be desirable to postpone the demarcation till the final settlement of the boundary is effected, and in the latter case he regrets that His Highness' Government is at present unable to depute any officer on this duty on such short notice, the only officer available for the purpose being now on leave. When he resumes duty, the Dewan will communicate to you the date on which he will be able to meet Mr. Douglas, if the object in view is the final settlement of the boundary as abovementioned.

5. I learn that the Dewan has forwarded to you direct a copy of his letter to me, and, with reference to the 3rd paragraph of it, I request you will be good enough to explain the work which is contemplated to be first taken in hand.

6. With reference to Travancore, the Dewan states that when the Commissioners appointed to settle the boundary between Travancore and British India resume work, which they will do when the fair weather sets in again, he hopes to have the entire boundary between Tinnevely and Travancore demarcated during the next season, and then Madura and Coimbatore will follow in turn.

7. I would suggest that the Commissioners be allowed to continue the boundary in a continuous line, and that the demarcation of the line between Travancore and Coimbatore be deferred till that between Travancore, Tinnevely, and Madura on the other side is fully completed.

8. Adverting to the last paragraph of your letter, I beg to state that, unless evidence is available to show that Travancore possesses territory on the other side of the water-shed, no contention will be raised by that Government to the water-shed, to be carefully ascertained by the Commissioners, being taken as the line of separation between Travancore and Coimbatore.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) A. WEDDERBURN,
Collector.

THE Board find that they were in error in stating that Extract Minutes of Consultation, dated 2nd June 1854, No. 630, was not communicated to them. It was recorded in the Tank Department of the office, the records of which were long since transferred to that of the Chief Engineer and thence to the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division. Hence the error, and hence also the Board are now unable to trace the correspondence connected with the order.

2. It appears, however, to refer to the portion of the boundary southward from the Vengoly Peak to the Shoreyaur, or exactly that which it is now proposed to survey, and which was referred to in paragraph 2 of the letter from the Collector of Coimbatore, recorded in Board's Proceedings, dated 21st September 1874, No. 2,699 (G. O., 13th October 1874, No. 1,317), as not a natural boundary and ill-defined.

3. From the letter of the Acting Resident, Travancore and Cochin, forwarded by the Collector of Coimbatore, the Board regret to learn that the Cochin Sirkar is unable to send a representative to be present at the identification and survey of the boundary, and inquires whether the present proceedings are for the settlement of the boundary in pursuance of the scheme proposed by the Resident in 1874, or an action of the Revenue Survey Department, which Government thought should be subordinated to the general scheme.

4. As to what the boundary is to be, the question appears to be settled by the orders of 1854, and what is now to be done is to identify it on the ground and have it surveyed. It is clear that this process cannot be carried out satisfactorily, unless representatives of the Governments of the territories on each side of the line are present. There may be disputes as to small portions of the line, of which that marked on a map to so small a scale as the Trigonometrical map may not be decisive; and the presence of representatives would be necessary to settle such disputes if they could agree, and, if they could not, to prepare matters for reference to the Governments concerned.

5. As, however, the general line should apparently be regarded as already settled by the orders of 1854, and as a present survey will definitely mark it, the Board see no reason to defer work in this quarter, and to delay the survey until

the tract is reached in pursuance of the scheme originally sketched by Mr. Ballard, which it cannot be for several seasons. The Board consider, therefore, that the present survey should be completed, liable to such modifications, if any hereafter, as may be found necessary by representatives of both the Governments meeting on the spot. The speedy settlement of the matter is needed in order to the completion of the Coimbatore map.

6. It is requested that early orders may be issued whether the work is to be proceeded with in the absence of a representative from Cochin, otherwise the Board fear that this season will be lost. The party was to assemble on 1st July.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

No. 25. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 16th July 1875, No. 1,999.

Read the following letter from Colonel F. J. B. PRIESTLEY, Superintendent of Revenue Survey, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Chepauk, 2nd July 1875, No. 1,869-75.

WITH reference to the Board's Proceedings noted in the margin, I have the honor to inform you that I learn that the

No. 1,544, dated 8th June 1875. Cochin forest officer, Mr. Stephenson, is at present absent on leave, and that on this and other grounds efforts are being made by the Cochin authorities to postpone the demarcation and settlement of the Cochin frontier line.

2. This is the commencement of the short working season in that locality, and I therefore beg respectfully to urge on the Board the necessity for not losing another season without taking any practical steps towards carrying out this emergent work.

3. I would suggest that the original programme should be adhered to as far as the British Government is concerned, and that a forest officer from Coimbatore should at once commence clearing the line in accordance with former agreements, and that the survey should follow immediately afterwards. I believe that the boundary, as shown in the sheet atlas, was agreed to on a former occasion when the question was discussed.

SUBMITTED to Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated 1st July 1875, No. 126-1,827.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

No. 26. ORDER THEREON, 2nd August 1875, No. 1,170.

Miscellaneous.

In the first of these Proceedings, the Board discuss certain letters from the Collector of Coimbatore and the Resident of Travancore regarding the proposed demarcation and survey of the boundary line between Coimbatore and Cochin to the south of Vengoly Peak. With the second they forward a letter from the Superintendent of Revenue Survey on the same subject.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
2nd August 1875.*

2. From this correspondence it appears that the Cochin Government are unable to depute an officer to watch the demarcation on their behalf, and it, therefore, becomes a question whether work shall be carried on according to the original programme or whether another season shall be lost.

3. The Board of Revenue remark that the settlement of the boundary cannot be satisfactorily carried out unless representatives of the Governments of the territories on each side of the line are present; but they propose that the demarcation and survey should be now proceeded with and completed, liable to such modification hereafter as may be necessary by representatives of both Governments meeting on the spot. The speedy settlement of the matter is, it is observed, needed, in order to the completion of the Coimbatore survey map, and the view advocated by the Board is shared by the Collector and Superintendent of Revenue Survey.

4. In G. O., 10th June 1874, orders were passed on a scheme drawn up by Mr. Ballard, Resident of Travancore, for the investigation and settlement of the frontier line between the British territory and that of Travancore and Cochin throughout its entire length. The boundary in the neighbourhood of the Annamallays had at that time led to some disputes, and the Board of Revenue had, in their Proceedings, 28th May 1874, recommended that the Cochin Government should be requested to send a representative to be present at the demarcation. This was approved of, but it was observed by Government that this inquiry was to be subordinate to the general scheme sketched by the Resident.

5. That inquiry, which involved land lying on both sides of Vengoly Peak, and therefore a portion of the frontier both of Coimbatore and Malabar, was not carried out as reported in paragraph 5 of the Board of Revenue's Proceedings, 21st September 1874, No. 2,699. The proposal now made is for the present season to limit the inquiry to that portion of the frontier alone which adjoins Coimbatore.

6. The Board explain that the question as to the boundary at that point was decided by Government in their order of 2nd June 1854, No. 630. This order having been communicated to the Board in the Tank Department had escaped notice when the matter was under discussion last year, the records in that department having been transferred to the Superintending Engineer. The order in question accepts the line as indicated in the Trigonometrical survey map, and the Board do not anticipate any important difference of opinion arising as to its identification on the ground.

7. The Government sanction the recommendation of the Board, that the Revenue Survey shall now demarcate and survey the line as laid down in the map and decided by Government in 1854, leaving the Cochin Government to determine whether they will accept or contest that demarcation when the representatives of both Governments are able to meet on the spot.

(True Extract.)

(Signed)

A. MACGREGOR,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

„ the Superintendent of Revenue Survey.

„ the Acting Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

„ Political Dept.

Exd. F. B. Banfillman.

Combatore Collector's Office
24th June 1875

No: 189.

From A. Medderburn Esqr
Collector of Combatore
To N. E. Stokes Esqr.
Ag Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Madras

Enclosure 1.

Sir
With reference to "Boards"
Proceedings No: 103 A of 8th June
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No- of 18th June
1875

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REVENUE.

To THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Es., Es., Es.

Dated August, 2nd.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 2nd August 1875, No. 1,170.

AUGUST.

No. 24-26.

Boundary between Coimbatore and Cochin. —
With reference to the settlement of the — sanc-
tioning Board's recommendation that the Revenue
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(sd) A. Wedderburn
Collector.

Residents' Office - Ferozabad
18th June 1875

To -
From

Major W. Hay

Ag. Resident in

Ferozabad & Cochin

A. Wedderburn Esqr.

Collector of Cochin

Sir

I have the honor to
acknowledge the receipt of your
letter of the 28th ultimo No 106
which

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which was duly communicated
to the Dewans of Ferozabad and
Cochin and whose replies I have
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2. The Government Orders, No
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No 425 dated 15th March 1875

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4. In the former case, the Dewan shares that it would be desirable to postpone the demarcation till the final settlement of the boundary is effected and in the latter case he requests that His Highness' Government is at present unable to depute any officer on this duty on such short notice - the only officer available for the purpose

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(Sd) N. Hay
As. Resident
(True Copy)
(Sd) A. Meddemburg
Collector
(True Copy)
H. M. S.
As. Secretary.

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Revenue Department

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 1st July 1875, No. 1827.

7th June 1875
Read Proceedings of the
Madras Government, Revenue De-
partment, dated 17th June 1875, No. 920
forwarding to the Board copy of
G. O. 2nd June 1854, No. 630 regarding
settlement of boundary between
Coimbatore, Cochin & Travancore States.

Read again letter from the Col-
lector of Coimbatore dated 22nd June 1875
No. 187 referring to Revenue Board's
Proceedings 5th June 1854, No. 492 P. W. D. re-
garding their remark that C. M. C. has
not been communicated to them.

Read also letter from the same
Officer dated 24th June 1875, No. 189 forwarding
copy of Travancore Resident's letter re-
garding the postponement of the de-
lineation of the boundary.

The Board find that they
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Inclosed in
Board's Proceedings
dated 1st July 1875
to the Secretary to
Government N. D.

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Rev 2631/75

Rev 1152/75

Copy of letter

from the Collector of

Coimbatore and the

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Cochin
1170/8-2 No 1170

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The party was to assemble on 1st July.

| True Extract |

J. H. M.

Acting Secretary

To,
The Acting Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
with copy of letter from Collector of 24th June/75 No. 189
with its enclosure

G. H. M.

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Forest No 11/2
Revenue Department.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 16th July 1895
No 1899
Read the following.

Rs 1869
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From
The Superintendent
Revenue Survey
To
The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue..

Sir,
With reference to the
Board's Proceedings noted in the
No 1844 dated
2nd June 1895 }
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2nd June 1895 }
in No 1844, I have the honor to in-
-form you that I learn that
the Cochin Forest officer Mr.
Stephenson is at present absent
on leave and that on this and
other grounds efforts are being
made by the Cochin authorities
to postpone the demarcation and
settlement of the Cochin frontier
line.

G.O. 20 June 1895 No 2
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N. 2631

Proceeding of the
Board of Revenue
Dated 16th July 1895
Rs 1869
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Submitting that Board were in
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2nd June 1895 of Rs 1869 was not am-
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Revenue Survey Office } I have &c
Chepauk } 1470/13
2nd July 1875. } 1470/13
Supt. of Rev. Survey.

Submitted to Government
in continuation of Board's Resolutions dated 1st July 1875 +

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(True Copy & Extract)

H. H. H.

By Secretary

To

Chief Magistrate
J. H.

The Secretary to
Government R. D.

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2 Aug 75.

Read Board's Pro.

1st July 1875.

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In the first of these Pro
the Board discuss certain
letters from the collector
of Comibation & the
Resident of Travancore
regarding the proposed
demarcation & survey of
the boundary line between
Comibation & Pashin &
the South of Vengy
Peak. With the second
they forward a letter from
the Sept of Neocume
Survey as the same
subject. —

J. D. Lindrope & A. S. H. P. 70
express hope that L. S. H. may
get the able & dispassionate
representations.



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Proceedings of the
Board of Museum.

Dated: 16th July 1875
20th July 1875

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Submitting to the
from the Superintendent.
and Revenue Survey
to Government, & request
that the demarcation
and settlement of the
Cochin frontier line be
not be postponed on account
of the present office but
the Museum being about to
leave for London.

No 1170 1170/14
2 Aug 75.

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of New South Wales.

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some disputes & the
Board of Rev. No. had in
their Pro. 28th May
1874 recommended that
the Jochin Govt. should
be requested to send in
representation & to present
at the demarcation.

This was approved of but
it was observed by Govt.
that this enquiry was
to be subordinate to the
general scheme sketched
by the Resident.

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That enquiry, which
involved land lying
on both sides of Kaimur
Peak: & the ^{portion of} the
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The Board explain that
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to the Board in the
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last year, the records
that Dept. having been
transferred to the Sub
Dept. The order was
questioned except the
line as indicated
in the Supplemental
Survey Map & the Board
do not anticipate
any important difference
of opinion arising as
to its identification on
the ground.

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The Governor ^{Sanction} ~~in~~ ~~accept~~
the recommendation of the
Board that the New
Survey shall now be made
along the line as laid
down in the map issued
by Genl. G. in 1854. leaving
the position of the
whether they will accept
in contest that element
when the representatives
of both Governments are
called to meet in the spot.

Send Copy to the Board of the New Survey

1 Printed copy Dec 25 Aug

1 To the Supl of the Survey

1 The President of the American & Cochen Dec 25 Aug

1 The Colonial Office with copy of the Report of the Honorable W. M. D. on the subject
Dec 26 August

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