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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
17th June 1875.*

No. 127. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 8th June 1875, No. 1,544, Forest No. 103 :—

Read the following letters :—

From A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 19th May 1875, No. 137.

In reply to Proceedings of Board of Revenue, dated 5th May 1875, No. 1,160, requesting a report on deputing an officer for the demarcation of the forest boundary of Coimbatore as regards the Anamallays and Travancore, I have the

honor to state that I reported,* in anticipation, the difficulty of deputing an already occupied officer, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, as represented by himself, on a long boundary question.

* In letter No. 73 of 17th March 1875.
† Revenue Board's No. 43-815 of 3rd April 1875.

To this it was replied† that I might depute my Head Assistant Collector.

2. There is none at present in the district, nor any Assistant. There is hardly any local information to be got in regard to these almost uninhabited tracts; the Moodoogars in the high ranges are a wild and timid tribe, and flee at the approach of Europeans.

3. Probably the Trigonometrical map will have to be followed, as near as can be, though from personal observation in the higher ranges I could notice it was incorrect in its details.

4. It would take the Head Assistant Collector (should one be reappointed by that time) too far away, and too long, from his magisterial work, to accompany the survey party, and the Deputy Conservator, Mr. Douglas, is the more proper party, and arrangements will have to be made for his forest work, when absent with the survey party.

From the same Officer, dated Coimbatore, 28th May 1875, No. 153.

With reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th March 1875, No. 2,248, I have the honor to state

Copy of letter from the Collector of Coimbatore to the Resident of Travancore and Cochin, No. 106 of 28th May 1875.

that in conference with Colonel Priestley it was agreed to address the Resident of Travancore and Cochin in reference to

the delineation and permanent settlement of the boundary between Cochin, Travancore and the Coimbatore District, to commence on the 1st of July next.

2. Mr. Douglas will be the representative officer of Coimbatore.

3. The Board are doubtless aware that the boundary, though never as yet surveyed and demarcated, has been authoritatively settled by Government in G. O., No. 630, of 2nd June 1854, Revenue Department.

4. To trace and settle on the ground this boundary will be the work in hand, and any minor difficulties which may be presented in fixing the line in accordance with the Trigonometrical Survey Map, might be settled by the common agreement of the representative of Coimbatore on the one side, and that of the Cochin and Travancore States on the other; any serious difficulty would have to be submitted to Government. It is now twenty-one years since the boundary line was authoritatively settled, and now final action it is hoped will be taken.

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ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore, to Major W. HAY, Acting Resident in Travancore and Cochin, dated 28th May 1875, No. 106.

The Government in G. O., No. 1,317, of 13th October 1874, and No. 425 of 15th March 1875, Revenue Department, having ordered the demarcation of the boundary between this district and Cochin (south of Vengoly Peak) and Travancore, I have the honor to inform you that Mr. Douglas, Deputy Conservator, on behalf of this district, will be with the survey party at Vengoly on 1st July 1875 and to request that a representative of Cochin, competent to settle minor details on the spot, may be deputed to join the party on the date mentioned; and a similar representative on behalf of Travancore, later in the season, of which due notice will be given.

2. The Cochin Government may be requested to state what line they propose to be adopted in reference to the Government map, commencing with Vengoly and ending at Panai-mad-kuthe, junction of Travancore, Coimbatore, and Cochin.

3. If the line according to the Trigonometrical Survey Map be determined on, the survey officer will be so instructed; but in case of doubt as to the correspondence of the map with the ground, the Deputy Conservator of Anamallay, and the similar officer from Cochin might decide the question on the spot. Mutual forbearance and consideration might save much reference and delay. If, however, there should be an important difference, it might be reported.

4. As regards the boundary of Coimbatore with Travancore, information will be given to that State, when the boundary officer will be able to take it up.

5. Similarly, the Travancore Government may be requested to state whether the Trigonometrical map boundary as raised by Government, under E. M. C., 2nd June 1854, with reference to Cochin, is the one they consent to be taken.

(True Copy)

(Signed) A. WEDDERBURN,
Collector.

Approved.

2. These letters will be submitted for the information of Government. E. M. C., 2nd June 1854, No. 630, has not been communicated to the Board.

(True Copies and Extract.)

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

No. 120. ORDER THEREON, 17th June 1875, No. 920.

Miscellaneous.

The Government observe that, copy of E. M. C., dated 2nd June 1854, No. 630, was communicated to the Board of

Revenue in the Public Works Department. A second copy will be furnished to them now to facilitate reference.

(True Extract)

(Signed) A. MACGREGOR,
Acting Secretary to Government.

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4. In my letter, No. 889-327, of 11th August 1874, I deprecated our having anything to do with this line because it 'would take us away from our proper work, the completion of the Coimbatore District, and because the result of a considerable expenditure of the time and health of an officer and of our best subordinates would be only the survey of a jungle line, a few miles in length, running into an unsurveyed tract and useless for any mapping purposes until Malabar comes to be taken up by us, which may be never.

5. The Coimbatore boundary it is very important for us to get completed without any further delay as stated in my letter printed with the Proceedings under referenced; it will take us two full seasons to finish it, and this only if we work on it for the whole of each season. By the end of next year all field-work will be completed in this district (excepting Collegal), and the whole of our establishment will have passed away elsewhere. If the survey of the boundary on the Asanmalis be not completed by that time, the preparation of the district map will be indefinitely delayed, and the eventual cost will be much increased inasmuch as the survey will then be detached and so have to be specially supervised.

6. They further represent that no settling officers appear yet to have been appointed for this duty, and would suggest that orders on this point be obtained and instructions as to the limit of the line between Cochin and Malabar, which should engage the attention of those officers before they proceed along the Coimbatore boundary.

Forwarded to the Collector of Cambay for early report with reference to Board's Proceedings, Miscellaneous No. 2,248, dated 29th March, and No. 815, dated 3rd April 1873.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. W. STOKES,
Acting Secretary

To the Collector of Coimbatore.

Copy to the Superintendent of Revenue Survey.

Ed. J. W. Fischer

~~The Difficulty of Repairing~~

Revenue Department

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 8th June 1875

Read the following papers

No. 137
From

A. Wedderburn Esquire
Collector of Coimbatore

To

J. B. C. Stokes Esquire
Acting Secretary to the Board
of Revenue
Madras

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PROCEEDINGS, 5th MAY 1876, No. 1, 160.

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No. 1, 160.

Boundary disputes—between Coimbatore
Malabar and Cochin.—Letter from Superintendent
of Revenue Survey, forwarding one from
Captain Cloete pointing out that the arrange-
ments sanctioned by Government for the settle-
ment of—do not hinder the settlement of the
Coimbatore District boundary, and requesting
that necessary instructions may be issued, and
officers nominated for the determination of the
latest boundary communicated to Collector of
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Coimbatore Collector's Office } I have in
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Collector

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be determined, on the Survey Office's
will.

