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No. 1,044.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 27th April 1875.
Read the following letter from J. H. GARSTIN, Esq., Collector of South Arcot, to
H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated
Cuddalore, 23rd March 1875, No. 132:—

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge receipt of the Board's Proceedings of the 17th instant, No. 2,161, forwarding to me the Proceedings of Government in the Public Works Department, dated 8th instant, No. 662, in which I am called on to report on the question of the manner in which the proposed line of railway from Belpur (commonly called Villapuram, Belpur being the Hindustani name,) to Pondicherry shall be carried up to the Gingee river, and to state my opinion that, if possible, it should run entirely through English territory from that river westwards.

2. Judging from the map of the French territories, there seems no reason why this should not be done by taking the line between the villages of Lingareddipoliam and Pallicherry to Kandamangalam, where there is a frontier chowkie, and thence round by Anindapore and so to Villenour, to which last place the line is almost certain to be carried, as it is one of the largest, if not the largest, village in the French settlement after Pondicherry.

3. There is, however, an alternative method of getting over the difficulty of the intervening block of French territory, which Mr. Scott has not alluded to, but which, in the interests of this district, I venture to put forward, namely, an exchange of villages. If the idea is approved by Government, the construction of the railway would be a good opportunity for effecting a rectification of the whole French frontier, an object to which, I have reason to believe, the Local French Government is not opposed.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government with reference to G. O., dated 8th March 1875, No. 662, Public Works Department.

2. A rectification of the Pondicherry frontier has long been a great desideratum, and the present seems a good opportunity for endeavoring to effect it.

(A true Copy and Extract.)


Acting Secretary.

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

Exd. J. W. Fischer.

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Board of Revenue,

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Railway—from Belpur (Villapuram) to Pondicherry.—Letter from Collector of South Arcot reporting with reference to the manner in which the proposed line of — should be carried up to the Gingee River, submitted to Government with remarks regarding the rectification of the Pondicherry frontier.

W. H. O. S.

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Communicated to P. N. S. S.
with reference to 4. 8. 8. March 1875
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