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Escheats.

No. 51. Read petition from MADA VALAPIL AMBU, PALAKA VALAPIL KANNAN, and sixty-six others, tenants of the late Moyen Kunhi Raman Nair, residing in Kannapoorom, Chirakal Taluq, dated Cannanore, 12th February 1875.

ABSTRACT.—Referring to Government Order directing the sale at auction of the lands of the late Moyen Kunhi Raman Nair in petitioners' possession, represent that their *Karanavars* for more than two generations and after them the petitioners, have been tenants in the family of the late Moyen Kunhi Raman Nair; that they have no house but those built or improved by them on the said lands; that by their sale at auction petitioners would be suddenly ejected from their livings without a house to live in; that, had it not been for the improvement of the lands effected by petitioners' labor and capital, they could not sell for the high price which the Government promise to themselves; that petitioners are willing to purchase the properties in their possession for their normal value and to pay interest at five per cent. on the amount until the same be paid; that this interest will be useful to maintain the girls' school to be established by the sale proceeds of the lands in question; and that Government should decide whether the extra gain promised to Government by the public sale is such as to justify the infliction of great loss and insufferable miseries on several ancient families; and that the lands similarly escheated to Government have hitherto been sold only to tenants in possession on moderate prices, and there is no cause why the same indulgence should be withheld from the petitioners.

2. Pray, therefore, that, on a reconsideration of the said Government Order, the Collector may be directed to sell the lands to the tenants in possession as had been done by his predecessors.

No. 483.

Referred to the Collector of Malabar for early report through the Board of Revenue.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

No. 52. Read also Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 2nd September 1876, No. 7487 (Miscellaneous).

Read the following letter from W. LOGAN, Esq., Collector of Malabar, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Telicherry, 14th August 1876, No. 213.

With reference to the enclosed petition No. 483 of 1875 to Government from the tenants of the late Moyen Kunhi Raman Nair forwarded for my report, I have the honor to inform you that the statements contained in the petition are more or less true, and that it would certainly be a matter of regret if they are ejected from their holdings before giving them the option of purchasing them.

2. I consider, therefore, that it would be in accordance with the practice hitherto observed in similar cases if the tenants now in possession are allowed to purchase their respective holdings at the market value and to pay interest at the

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rate proposed by them until they pay the purchase-money, and that it is only after ascertaining that they are either unable or unwilling to do so that the property should be sold by public auction.

Submitted to Government with reference to endorsement on petition No. 483 of 1875.

(A true Concord Extract.)

(Signed) E. GIBSON,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

No. 53.

ORDER THEREON, 13th September 1876, No. 1876.

Agreeably to the recommendation of the Collector of Malabar, and in modification of G.O., 4th December 1874, No. 2230, the Governor in Council sanctions the proposal to give the refusal of the lands belonging to the escheated estate of the late Moyan Kunhi Raman Nair to the petitioners, the long-established tenants of the property, on the understanding that they purchase their respective holdings at the market value of the day and pay interest on the purchase-money, as they offer to do, at five per cent. on the amount unpaid until the whole purchase-money is paid up by them.

2. In the event, however, of the tenant being unable to fulfil these terms, the Collector of Malabar will call upon the order of Government of the 4th December 1874 passed on the original proposals for the disposal of these lands submitted in his predecessor's letter, dated 23rd September 1874, No. 225.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.

Revenue Department.

Exd. J. W. Fischer.

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Eachone.—The proposal of the Collector of
Malabar the certain tenants of the escheated estate
of the late Moya Kunhi Raman Nair should be
allowed to purchase their respective holdings in
the estate before it is sold by public auction
sanctioned.