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11th May 1876.*

No. 93. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th May 1876, No. 1,191:—

Read the following letter from H. W. BLISS, Esq., Acting Collector of Madura, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Shembaganur, 16th April 1876, No. 144.

In continuation of my letter, No. 87, dated 26th February 1876, I have the honor to report the death of Seetharamiah, Tahsildar of Melur, on the night of the 26th February last.

2. The arrangements I propose to make in consequence of his demise are as follow:—

3. In the first place, I wish to bring to the notice of the Board and Govern-

			Tahsildar's Pay.
			RS.
Madura	2nd-Class ...	...	225
Melur	3rd " ...	...	200
Tirumangalam	" " ...	...	200
Dindigul	4th " ...	...	175
Periakolam	5th " ...	...	150
Kallar	" " ...	...	100

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is by no means proportioned to the classes of the taluqs and the amount of pay attached to the charge thereof.

4. The Dindigul Taluq affords an extreme example of this want of proportion. In area, in revenue, and in population this taluq is considerably the largest in the district. Among all the taluqs of the Presidency, so far as I can calculate from what I find in the Asylum Press Almanac, the Dindigul Taluq is 12th in area, 5th in population, and 33rd in revenue. At least, therefore, I should say, its Tahsildar should be among the thirty-three best paid Tahsildars in the Presidency. But he is only of the 4th Class. As therefore there are twelve 1st, twenty-three 2nd, and thirty-nine 3rd-Class Tahsildars, the Dindigul Tahsildar stands no higher than 75th instead of 33rd among officers of his class.

5. It does not, of course, follow that work and responsibility increase in an equal ratio with area, population, and revenue. Were it so, the Dindigul Tahsildar's work would probably be heavier than that of any other Tahsildar in the Presidency, since his charge combines, so far as I can see, the various elements which increase work and responsibility to a greater extent than that of any other officer of his class. As it is, there can be no doubt that his work and responsibility exceed those of other better paid officers, in this district at all events. Comparing, for instance, the Melur and Dindigul Taluqs, the figures given in the enclosed statement leave no doubt which is the heaviest charge. Under every item, except those of "Durkasts" and "Reports from Subordinates," the work of the Dindigul Taluq exceeds that of the Melur Taluq, in most cases very considerably. In the latter of the two exceptional instances, the difference is probably to be explained by the fact that in the Dindigul Taluq the majority (especially of the Police) of reports from the villages go to the Deputy Tahsildars and Magistrates, no officer of which class is employed in the Melur Taluq; but the excess in this item is evidently not of a nature materially to increase a Tahsildar's work, for the Board will notice that though the Melur Tahsildar received many more than double as

many village reports as the Dindigul Tahsildar, he answered considerably fewer. The difference in the matter of darkasts would have been of more importance but for recent orders of the Board and Government, under which the people are, as might have been expected, declining to take the trouble of putting in darkasts when they can get the land they want by the simple process of entering thereon and cultivating it.

6. For the above reasons, I am of opinion (and I know Mr. McQuhao thought so too) that advantage should be taken of the present vacancy in the Melur Taluq to reduce it to the 4th, and to raise the Dindigul Taluq to the 3rd Class.

7. As I have little doubt that on a consideration of the circumstances the Board and Government will agree with me, I have ventured to assume in making the following proposals that they will do so. Should my assumption be erroneous, I request that I may be allowed an opportunity for further consideration before orders are passed as to filling up the present vacancy.

8. My recommendations are, 1st, that K. Krishna Row, now Tahsildar of Dindigul, be transferred to Melur on the same pay. This officer has not of late given entire satisfaction. The Acting Sub-Collector complains that there is a want of thoroughness in his work, both Revenue and Magisterial, and it is undoubted that he is not so successful in collecting the arrears outstanding in his taluq as he should be. Their amount is much too great. Mr. Martin and I are therefore of opinion that it will be well to remove him to a taluq where the work will be lighter and more within his powers. As he is now far from well, and is about to take sick leave, this arrangement will not interfere with Anantha Ramaya's appointment as Acting Tahsildar of Melur (*vide* Board's Proceedings, Miscellaneous No. 2,206, dated 11th March 1876).

2nd.—That A. Ramanjulu Naidu be confirmed as Tahsildar of Dindigul Taluq on Rupees 200 per mensem, but that he continue to act as Tahsildar of Madura Taluq during the absence of N. Gopaliengar on sick leave (*vide* my letter, No. 104, dated 10th March 1876).

3rd.—That L. A. Sawmi Iyer be confirmed as Sub-Division Sheristadar (*vide* my letter, No. 130, dated 1st instant). This officer was for a long time Acting Sub-Division Sheristadar, then permanent Tahsildar of Pulni Taluq, and now returns to the Sub-Collector's Office at his own request.

4th.—That R. Anantha Ramaya be confirmed as Tahsildar of Pulni Taluq, but that he continue to act as Tahsildar of Melur Taluq until relieved by K. Krishna Row.

5th.—That Mr. C. H. McBride be confirmed as Deputy Tahsildar and Magistrate of Ramnad.

9. Of the above appointments, which I propose should take effect from the 26th February 1876, the date of the death of Seetharamiah, the Tahsildar of Melur, the following require the sanction of Government: A. Ramanjulu Naidu to be Tahsildar of Dindigul, R. Anantha Ramaya to be Tahsildar of Pulni, and that of L. A. Sawmi Iyer to be Sub-Division Sheristadar requires the confirmation of the Board. Those of K. Krishna Row to be Tahsildar of Melur and of Mr. McBride to be Deputy Tahsildar and Magistrate of Ramnad are within my competence to make, as they are only transfers.

10. The necessary appointment to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. McBride's transfer to Ramnad will be submitted for approval on receipt of the Acting Sub-Collector's recommendation.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Statement.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

2. In the foregoing letter, the Collector proposes certain arrangements for filling up the post of the Tahsildar of the Melur Taluq, which has become vacant by the death of the late permanent incumbent Seetharamiah, and suggests that advantage should be taken of this opportunity to alter the classification of the taluqs of Melur and Dindigul, the former being reduced to the 4th Class and the latter transferred to the 3rd Class, with the object of making the pay of the posts more proportionate to the responsibility and work devolving on the Tahsildars of those taluqs respectively. He shows that in

	Area	Population.	Revenue.
	SQ. M.		
Dindigul ...	1,114½	322,020	4,38,922
Melur ...	514½	126,765	2,89,983

respect of area, population, and revenue, Dindigul is the more important taluq, and from a consideration of the work performed, the heavier charge. The Board are of opinion that the Collector's proposal should be accepted, and accordingly request Government to accord their sanction.

3. The Collector's nominations are subject to his recommendation being favorably received. Should the proposal meet with the approval of Government, sanction is requested for the following appointments:—

(1.) A. Ramanjulu Naidu, Sub-Division Sheristadar, to be Tahsildar of Dindigul.

(2.) R. Anantha Ramiah, Deputy Tahsildar and Sub-Magistrate of Ramnad, to be Tahsildar of Pulni.

4. A. Ramanjulu Naidu has not passed the Criminal Test, but in their Proceedings, dated 7th April 1876, Miscellaneous No. 2,955, the Board recommended his exemption.

5. The Board approve of the appointment of L. A. Sawmy Iyer, Tahsildar of Pulni, to be Sub-Division Sheristadar.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Acting Secretary.

No. 94.

ORDER THEREON, 11th May 1876, No. 602.

Miscellaneous.

AGREEABLY to the Collector's recommendation, which is supported by the Board, the taluk of Melur will be placed

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in the 4th Class, and the taluk of Dindigul will be transferred from the 4th to the 3rd Class.

2. The promotions suggested are sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Accountant-General.

Exd. W. H. French.

Obit. of 1876. 25

REVENUE.

Revenue Department

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Dated 5th May 1848

Read the following:

No. 144.

From H. H. Bliss Esqr.
Ag. Collector of Madras.

To G. A. Galt Esqr.
Ag. Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Madras.

Sir

In continuation of my letter, No. 87,
dated 26 February 1846, I have the honor to
report that the death of Sir Francis, Bart.
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in consequence of his death are as follows:-

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the desirability of altering the classification
of the Taluqs in this District. They are now,

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in the Presidency, since his charge embraces, so far as I can see, the various elements which increase work and responsibility to a greater extent than that of any other officer of his class. As it is, there can be no doubt that his work and responsibility exceed the better paid officers in this branch at all events. Comparing for instance the Meli's and Dindigul Taluqs, the figures given in the enclosed Statement leave no doubt which is the heavier charge. Under every item except those of "Duskaats," and "Reports from subordinates," the work of the Dindigul Taluq exceeds that of the Meli's Taluq, in not one instance. The latter of the two exceptional instances, the difference is probably to be explained by the fact that in the Dindigul Taluq, the majority (especially of the Police) reports from the villages, go to the Deputy Tahsildar, and Magistrates, no officer of which class is employed in the Meli's Taluq, but the successor in this item, is indirectly not of a nature, materially to increase a Tahsildar's work for the Board with notice that, though the Meli's Tahsildar received many

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not interfere with Mr. A. S. Sanyal's
appointment as Ag. Tahsildar of Melur.

(Vide Board's Proceedings, Min. No. 2206, dated 11 March 1876).

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This officer was for a long time acting Sub. Division Sheristadar, then permanent Tahsildar of Pulur Taluq and now returns to the Sub. Collector's office at his own request.

4th That R. Anantaramayya be confirmed as Tahsildar of Pulur Taluq but that he continue to act as Tahsildar of Melur Taluq until relieved by H. Krishna Rao.

5th That Mr. C. H. Mc Bride be

confirmed as Dy. Tahsildar and Magistrate of Ramnad.

9. Of the above appointments, which I propose should take effect from the 26 Feb. - 1876, the date of the death of Sita - ramiah, the Tahsildar of Melur, the following require the sanction of Government.

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R. Anantaramayya, the Tahsildar of Pulur.

and that of L. A. Sami Iyer to be Sub.

Division Sheristadar, requires confirmation of the Board. Those of H. Krishna Rao to be Tahsildar of Melur and of Mr. Mc Bride to be Deputy Tahsildar and Magistrate of Ramnad are within my competence to make as they are only transfers.

10. The necessary appointment to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Mc Bride's transfer to Ramnad will be submitted for approval on receipt of the Acting Sub. Collector's

recommendation.

Madura Collis office }
On Circuit }
Camp Sherabaganur }
16 April 1896 }
Shaver
H.M. Bliss
Ag. Collector.

Submitted for the orders of Government.

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Area	Population	Revenue
Sqr. Mils.		RS.
Sindigul 114 $\frac{3}{4}$	322020	159922
Melur 51 $\frac{1}{2}$	128262	289983

the heavier charge. The Board are of opinion that the collector's proposal should be accepted and accordingly request Government to accord their sanction.

2. The collector's nomination and favourably received, should the proposal meet with the approval of Government, sanction is requested for the following appointments:-

- (i) A. Ramayyulu Naidu, Sub. Division Sheristadar to be Tahsildar of Sindigul.
 - (ii) R. Annutha Ramiak, Dy. Tahsildar and Sub. Magistrate of Raminad to be Tahsildar of Pulur.
3. A. Ramayyulu Naidu has

not passed the Criminal Test, but
in the Proceedings, dated 7 April 1876
Miscellaneous No. 2955, the Board
recommended his exemption

4. The Board approve of the
appointment of L. A. Lami Esq
Tahsildar of Pulis to the Sub. Division
Sheridada.

(True copy attached)

[Signature]
Ag. Secretary

The Secretary Government P. D. with
an original enc. has returned

[Signature]
Ag. Secretary

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Agreeably to the latter recommendation, it
is understood by the fact, the balance of section will be
placed in the 1st class, and the value of boundary
will be transferred from No 1 & 2 to the 3^d class.
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