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MOHAMEDAN BURIAL GROUND AT THE MOUNT.

To

THE EDITOR OF THE MADRAS MAIL.

SIR,—In your issue of Wednesday evening last, you mention that Government are about to enclose the Mohamedan burial ground at St. Thomas' Mount. I am afraid that Government have been ill-advised, and are making a mistake in the matter. There are three Mohamedan burial grounds at St. Thomas' Mount. Two of them, which have been enclosed for some time, belong to the late Shadi Maslan, and the late Kali Meean Saeb. The third one which is now used, and to which the Government order evidently refers, is also private property, belonging to the estate of the late Sookhdar Ho sein Khan. The title deeds &c. of this piot of ground are in the possession of Mohamed Khan, Hossein Khan's son and heir, who has enlarged it some years ago, and contemplates a further enlargement shortly at his own cost. The ownership is registered in the usual way in the Collector's office. Colonel Cleanse, who was for several years Cantonment Magistrate of St. Thomas' Mount, and several Hindu Mohamedan inhabitants will certify to this ownership. Under these circumstances do you not think that Government are stepping beyond their bounds in ordering the enclosure of this private cemetery at the public expense?

22nd June 1877. TAX-PAYER.

QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Head Quarters, Ootacamund,
25th June 1877.

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From

BRIGADIER-GENERAL H. O'CONNELL,
Quartermaster-General,

To

COLONEL J. MICHAEL, C.S.I.,
Secretary to Government,
Military Department.

SIR,

I have the honor, by order, to enclose a letter published in the Madras Mail of the 23rd Instant and with reference to it and Proceedings of Madras Government dated 26th May 1877, No. 1827, to request that, before further steps are taken in the matter of enclosing the burial ground at Saint Thomas's Mount, the Collector of Chingleput may be asked for information whether the burial ground in question is private property or not.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
H. O'Connell Brigr. Genl.
Quarter Master General.

Post.

Military Department

From

The Quarter Master General

To

The Secretary to Government
Military Department

Dated 25th
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further steps are taken in
order that the Collector of Ranchi
may be asked to furnish
information which may be called for
from the Collector of Chingleput
as to whether the burials from the
cantonment is formally or
not.

Cantonments — Burial grounds

No 3772 Forwarded to the Revenue Famine Department for the consideration and orders of Government.

(Signed)
Lt. Col.
Secretary to Govt.

Received 29th ditto
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(Signed)
Secretary

No 4594

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Dt. 28th ult.
6 Aug 1877

15 Aug 1877

Forwarded to the Revenue Board with a copy of the letter from the Collector of Chingleput — for any report on the matter & direction how they may be dealt with & orders how the amount on the enclosure 28/877 should be disposed