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No. 180. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd January 1877, No. 240:—

Read the following letter from R. W. BARLOW, Esq., Collector of the Chingleput District, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sydapet, 10th November 1876, No. 631:—

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2. The Superintendent's arguments may be briefly summed up as: (1) that he has lived as near to a slaughter-house himself without annoyance; (2) that smells may be avoided by due precautions; (3) that parcheries and spread manure which exist in the locality are as bad or worse nuisance; and (4) that the situation of the slaughter-houses is at a considerable distance from other habitations.

3. As regards the first argument, I observe that the slaughter-houses will be on a much larger scale than those already existing at the farm, and further Mr. Robertson having had to live close to the latter, over which he had direct control, was a fair guarantee that they would not be allowed to become a serious annoyance. The Superintendent's next argument is of doubtful weight; he says there is "of course an unpleasant smell at the slaughter-yard while the refuse is being removed," but that this might be prevented "almost entirely" by the use of lime and proper sanitary arrangements. In a hot country like this I think it a pity to run the risk even of such a nuisance unless absolutely necessary.

4. Mr. Robertson's third point requires little answer; parcheries and manure no doubt are nuisances and bad ones at times, but this is no reason for adding a third. Further, parcheries can be regulated by law if the Municipality does its duty, and the smell from manure is only at certain seasons, while large slaughter-houses must *per se* be a nuisance more or less, I think, all the year round to the neighbourhood.

5. The fourth is the only argument requiring consideration, *i.e.*, whether the site is sufficiently removed from other buildings and thoroughfares. It may be that when the belts of plantation alluded are "sufficiently grown" to screen the slaughter-houses and with exceptional precautions that little nuisance might be experienced, though I doubt it; in a hot country like this when the wind sets from any direction, a few hundred yards is small safeguard, but it seems to me a pity to run the risk, and that the locality is altogether unsuitable. Proximity to such a thoroughfare as the Mount Road is in itself sufficient objection in my opinion.

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ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From Colonel J. P. WATTS, Officiating Commissary-General, to R. W. BARLOW Esq.,
Collector of Chingleput, dated Madras, 3rd November 1876, No. 5,602.

With reference to the annexed copy of reference order, dated 1st November 1876, No. 5,546,
from Government, I have the honor to request you will have the goodness to fix a site for a
slaughter-house in some central position between Madras and Saint Thomas' Mount, and inform
me of your having done so.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) R. W. BARLOW,
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ENCLOSURE No. 2.

From R. W. BARLOW, Esq., Collector of the Chingleput District, to Colonel J. P. WATTS,
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(True Copies and Extract.)

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

No. 181.

ORDER THEREON, 7th February 1877, No. 554.

Miscellaneous.

REFERRED accordingly to the Sanitary
Commissioner for his opinion on the ques-
tion adverted to.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Sanitary Commissioner with copies of the under-mentioned papers :—

G.O., 28th February 1876, No. 526.

" 16th September " " 2,163.

" 11th October " " 1,458.

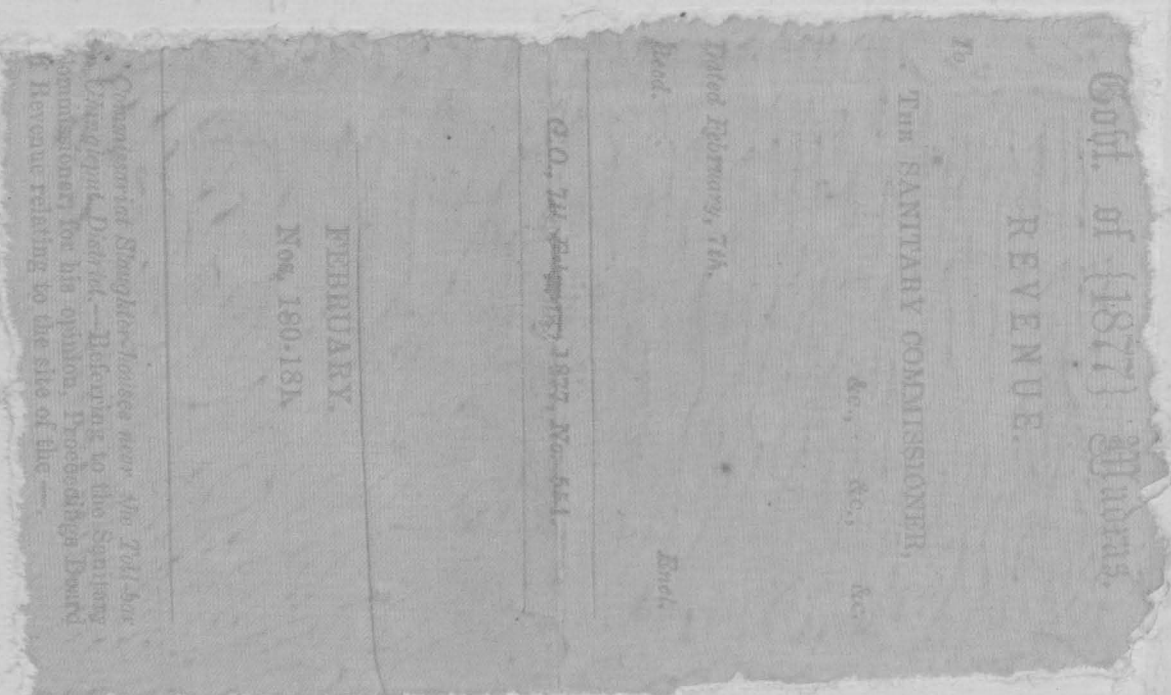
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" the Board of Revenue.

" the Military Department.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.



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W. J. Lewis
Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with a Map to be returned.

Copy to the Collector of the Chingleput District.

to the Superintendent of Government Farms.

Encl. W. J. Lewis.

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JANUARY.
No. 240.

PROCEEDINGS, 22ND JANUARY 1877, No. 240.

BOARD OF SECRETARIES,
MADRAS.

Jan. 1877. (Encl.)

No. 972

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Referred accordingly
to the Sanitary Commissioner
for his opinion on the
question adverted to.

2-31/77
7th February/77

To Sanitary Commissioner with copies
of the undermentioned papers.
No. 28 Feb 1876 No. 526
- 16 Sep - - 2163.
- 11 Octr - - 1458.
- 31 - - - 1549.
- 6 Nov - - 2603.

To the Secretary to Government
5. The Sanitary Commissioner with papers
13. The S.D. of Revenue
6. The Medical Officer
22/3/77