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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
8th January 1877.*

No. 141. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd January 1877:—

Read the following letter from A. J. STUART, Esq., Acting Collector of Tinnevely, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Tinnevely, 30th December 1876, No. 773.

As the Board are already aware, we are threatened in the northern taluqs of this district and in Nanguniri with a serious scarcity owing to the failure of the north-east monsoon.

2. This has affected largely the supply of fodder for cattle which, in these parts during the hot weather, live chiefly upon straw and maize grown for this purpose only, and nearly all of which has failed. There will, therefore, be great difficulty in keeping the cattle alive during the coming hot weather.

3. I therefore earnestly beg the Board will obtain an allotment of 1,200 Rs. as a special case, to enable the District Engineer to construct a bridle-road up the face of the western ghauts near Sivaghiri and Sattur. On the western side of the water-shed here, there is an area of more than twenty-five square miles of grass through which runs the Periyar river; but it is inaccessible to all but the hardy cattle of the villages just at foot of the range, owing to the difficult character of the ghaut-path by which it is approached.

4. One hundred Rupees a-mile for twelve miles will enable the District Engineer to construct a bridle-road similar to those in use in the coffee estates, and, put in hand immediately, it will be at once a relief work to the distressed taluqs of Sankaranainarcovil and Strivillipattur, and will be opened in time to be of service to the cattle of the district during the coming hot season.

5. In order that this most necessary work be put in hand *at once*, I beg sanction may be accorded by telegraph; the work can be completed in two months.

6. I should not have troubled the Board for a special allotment but that it unfortunately happens that no Local Funds are left available for new works, and none can be spared from any other part of the Budget for transfer.

7. It may be necessary to take further measures to preserve cattle hereafter, but in any case opening up this wide range of mountain-pasture will be of immense benefit in a season like this, and the cost is comparatively very small.

8. The Travancore Government will exact, as has been usual for some six years, a small grazing fee; but this the people will pay gladly, and the subject of whether they should continue to pay or not in future will come up for discussion when next year the Boundary Commission have gone over this part of the range. The proposed bridle-path will be of permanent use to the Tinnevely District.

SANCTIONED.

2. The Collector will be informed by telegraph.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed)

H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
8th January 1877.*

No. 142. ORDER THEREON, 8th January 1877, No. 64.

Miscellaneous.

RECORDED.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. H. GARSTIN,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Financial Department.
,, the Accountant-General.
,, the Public Works Department.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
 Dated 3rd January 1877.
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 To H. C. Stokes Esquire
 Acting Secretary to the
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To THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

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3. I therefore earnestly beg the Board will obtain an allotment of 1200 Rs as a special case to enable the District Engineer to construct a bridle road up the face of the Western ghats near Sina-ghery and Siller. On the western side of the watershed here there is an area of more than 25 square miles of grass through which runs the Periyar river, but it is inaccessible to all but the hardy cattle of the villages just at foot of the range owing to the difficult character of the ghaut path by which it is approached.

4. 100 Rs a mile for 12 miles will enable

enable the District Engineer to construct a bridle road similar to those in use in the Coffee Estates and put in hand - immediately it will be at once a relief work to the distressed ratings of San-Karavaimarcoil and Struvillipattur, and will be opened in time to be of service to the cattle of the district during the coming hot season.

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30th December 1876 }
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Sd/- A. J. Stuart
Ag. Collector

Sanctioned.
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(True Copy and Extract)
Sd/- H. C. Stokes
Ag. Secretary
To the Collector of Travancore.
(True Copy)

Wm. H. Stokes
Ag. Secretary
To the Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

Robert
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