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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 15th March 1869.

No. 373. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd February 1869, No. 1,221:—

Read the following letter from the Settlement Officer, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Camp at Uttukottai, 8th February 1869, No. 22.

1. I have the honor to forward a short Statement, shewing the progress I have made in the settlement of the disputed boundaries between the Madras District and the Kalastry Zemindary.

2. I received the Order of Government, directing me to employ myself in this duty, on the 23rd December, the Christmas holidays intervening. I was not able to organize my establishment, and complete my preparation for leaving Madras before the 5th January 1869, on which day I proceeded to Trivellore, where I met the Zemindar's Vakeel.

3. On the 7th, I moved my Camp to Odippe, and entered on the investigation of certain disputes in that neighbourhood; orders had been previously issued by the Deputy Superintendent of Survey for the preparation of sketches of the ground in dispute. I found, however, that some modifications of these sketches was necessary, and for the first few days the progress of the inquiry was necessarily slow.

4. On the 19th I moved to Pondavauk, and the establishment having by this time got into good working order, the work went on satisfactorily.

5. At Pondavauk I was visited by the Zemindar of Kalastry; he appeared anxious to forward the progress of the settlement in any way in his power, and the instructions given by him to his servants to that effect have been followed by the best results. Before leaving Pondavauk I was able to dispose of a considerable number of cases, some of them more intricate than any I had before encountered.

6. I moved from Pondavauk to Allikkuli on 28th, and succeeded in disposing of all the claims in the hills around that place, so as to enable me to move to Uttukottai on the 5th February.

7. I have also to report that I have received award of the Arbitrators* between the Madras District and the Carvetnugger Zemindary in nine out of eleven disputes, which will be communicated to the Survey Department for demarcation, after the expiration of the period allotted by Section 20, Act XXVIII. of 1860.

* J. Lee Warner, Esq.
Srinivasa Varathacharyar.

Abstract.—Statement of the progress of the settlement of boundary disputes between Madras District and Kalastry Zemindary, from 5th January to 5th February 1869.

Submitted for the information of Government,

2. The progress of the settlement appears to be very satisfactory so far as it has gone.

3. The Board are glad to observe the good spirit evinced by the Zemindar.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 15th March 1869.

No. 373. ORDER THEREON, 15th March 1869, No. 696.

Miscellaneous.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council is glad to learn that so much progress has been made towards the settlement of these cases, which have been so long pending. He would be glad to know from Mr. Thornhill, the probable date by which his investigations will be completed.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, G. Thornhill Esq.

Exd. G. A. Turton

Govt. of {1869} Madras.

REVENUE.

To,

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated March, 15th.

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G. O., 15th March 1869, No. 696.

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Nos. 372-373.

Boundary between Madras District and Kalastee Zemindary.—Mr Thornhill to report the probable date by which his investigations into the dispute will be completed.