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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 13th May 1867.

No. 180. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 1st May 1867, No. 2,674 :—

Read again letter from the Collector of Coimbatore, dated 31st January 1867, No. 30, recorded in Board's Proceedings, dated 5th March 1867, No. 1,374.

Read also the following letter from the Collector of Coimbatore, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 9th April 1867, No. 93.

1. In reply to Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th March 1867, No. 1,374, I have the honour to forward copy of a letter from Major Farewell, as well as a plan exhibiting the land asked for by Mr. Rohde, and that which he proposes to make over to Government in its stead. The Board will observe that Major Farewell considers Mr. Rohde's offer most advantageous to Government. In this opinion I coincide, and I trust the Board will sanction the exchange.

2. In addressing the Board on the 30th January, I made a mistake as to the piece of land Mr. Rohde wanted in exchange for the land required for the new calingulah and weir surplus channel. The land referred to in that letter is situated at some distance from the calingulah, and Mr. Rhode had personally spoken to me about its exchange for some other land. When, therefore, Major Farewell wrote to me about the calingulah channel, I took it for granted that the exchange referred to the land about which Mr. Rohde had originally spoken to me.

From the Executive Engineer, to the Collector of Coimbatore, dated Ootacamund, 5th April 1867, No. 15.

In reply to your letter, No. 44, dated 14th March 1867, together with the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 1,374, dated 5th March 1867, I have the honour to enclose a tracing of a survey shewing the position of the road proposed to be given up to Mr. Rohde, which has been abandoned, being of a gradient next to inaccessible for wheeled vehicles, as also of the new line of road made and now used in lieu thereof, being a portion of the sanctioned line under construction to the head of the Goodaloor ghaut, which has been completed and opened for traffic upwards of a twelve-months ago. Mr. Rohde's offer of taking the useless piece of road in exchange for Government being at any time permitted to divert the present waste water from the lake through his property is, I consider, a most advantageous one to Government, and I would strongly recommend his offer being immediately accepted, as if he sells the ground other parties may not be so easily dealt with ; Mr. Rohde's object in desiring the abandoned road being merely that he may, by enclosing it, prevent the destruction of his fences by stray cattle. The width of the new channel required for the proposed new waste weir to the Ootacamund lake through Mr. Rohde's property will be about twenty feet.

Enclosure No. 2.—Tracing.

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1. Resolved that the Collector's proposals be submitted for the favourable consideration of Government.

2. It will be observed that Mr. Rohde is desirous of obtaining a small piece of waste land the property of Government, this land being of value to him, as adjoining his property, but useless to any other person ; and that he is willing to give in exchange such portion of his own property as may be required for the new waste weir and channel of the Ootacamund lake. The Collector and Executive Engineer consider the exchange highly advantageous to Government.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 13th May 1867.

No. 181. ORDER THEREON, 13th May 1867, No. 1,072.

Miscellaneous.

1. It does not clearly appear from this correspondence what it is that Mr. Rohde is willing to accept in compensation for giving Government the right to erect a new weir for the Ootacamund lake on his land, and to carry the surplus channel through it. Mr. Grant says one thing, and Major Farewell another, while Mr. Grant withdraws his first statement as wrong, but without saying what is right.

2. The Collector had better obtain a note from Mr. Rohde stating distinctly what he requires, and what he is prepared to yield. The survey does not clearly shew the extent of the proposed relinquishment, if it is as stated by Major Farewell.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

No. 1,374.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 5th March 1867.

Read the following letter from P. GRANT, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 30th January 1867, No. 30:—

1. Sooner or later a new waste weir and channel for the Ootacamund lake will be required; a plan and estimate for them have already been prepared and submitted by Major Farewell, Executive Engineer on the Neilgherry Hills.

2. The new weir and channel must be constructed on land, the property of Mr. Rohde, who now offers to give up the necessary land in exchange for a small piece of land, the property of Government. I beg to recommend that Mr. Rohde's offer be at once accepted. The piece of land he wishes to get, is valueless to Government, but from its situation, it adjoins Mr. Rohde's property and gives him a road frontage, it is valuable for him. The accompanying rough sketch will probably enable the Board to apprehend the subject clearly.

3. An early reply is desirable.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Rough Sketch.

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1. The Board observe that in the rough plan forwarded with the above letter, the ground which Mr. Rohde proposes to give in exchange is not shown.

2. The Collector is requested to forward a properly prepared plan both of the land desired by Mr. Rohde, and of that which he is prepared to give up, as also the opinion of the Engineer on the subject.

3. The probable cost of altering the road from the high to the low level should also be stated.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Secretary.

To the Collector of Coimbatore,
with a rough Sketch.

Exd. J. Wright.

Encl: to the Proc: of this Dt
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 5th March 1867.

R. 1190/67.

No. 1,374.

Requesting Collector of Coimbatore to submit a properly prepared plan of certain land desired by Mr. Rohde and of that which he will give up, as also the opinion of the Engineer on the subject.

From 13th May 67 Ins. d. 180.