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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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No. 36. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd August 1867, No. 5,462.

Read the following letter from the Collector of South Arcot, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cuddalore, 29th July 1867, No. 195 :—

1. I have the honor to bring to the notice of the Board that Syed Meer Saib, for many years and still Tahsildar of Cullacoorchy, has erected a capacious Choultry near to the Cusbah town of his talook for the use and comfort of native travellers of all classes and castes. The Tahsildar failed to obtain the previous sanction of the Board; but I was aware of the project when he first commenced it, and during the progress of the work I have been there more than once, and have inspected all that was going on. The Choultry is undoubtedly much required, and will prove very useful to travellers, as will be readily understood when I mention that between Oolundoorpett and Ahtoor, in the Salem District, a distance of nearly sixty miles, there is no place of any kind for travellers to halt at. Rungappah Naick erected a similar building, though on a smaller scale, at Oolundoorpett at his own cost, and which was endowed by Government in 1863, and this is twenty-one miles from Cullacoorchy where the Choultry of the Tahsildar has been built; so that the utility and value of the latter is undoubted, and I promised the Tahsildar as the work was proceeding that if he completed it for all castes and expended on it a sum equivalent to 5,000 Rupees, I would support his application for the usual endowment grant by the Government.

2. On learning from the Tahsildar that the Choultry was finished, I required the Range Officer of the Public Works Department to report on it, and he has furnished me with an estimate of the cost of the building, together with a plan, both of which are herewith sent for the information of the Board, and it will be seen that the cost amounted to Rupees 6,830, and that the Choultry is arranged to afford accommodation to every class of the community.

3. I have, therefore, the pleasure to recommend, for favorable consideration, that land bearing an assessment of 60 Rupees per annum be assigned and set apart for the maintenance of this valuable work of charity, and which I am satisfied will be a very great boon and blessing to all traversing the high road between Salem and Cuddalore.

4. The building is surrounded with an enclosed wall and contains three wells, and it forms one of the most complete and well-arranged charitable institutions of the kind I have met with, and it is creditable to the Tahsildar that he should have expended his earnings and savings—presuming the money has been so derived—in a manner calculated to confer lasting benefits on the public at large.

Enclosure No. 1.—Plan.

Enclosure No. 2.—Estimate.

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1. Submitted to Government, with the recommendation of the Board that an endowment of waste land, assessed at Rupees 60 per annum, may be assigned for the support of the Chuttrum.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 4th September 1867.

2. The Board are of opinion that Syed Meer Sahib is entitled to much praise for his public spirit in erecting so fine a building for the accommodation of travellers.

No. 37. ORDER THEREON, 4th September 1867, No. 2,062.

Land Revenue.

1. The Government readily sanction the proposed assignment of waste land, assessed at Rupees 60, in free grant as maintenance endowment for this very handsome Choultry, and concur with the Board in giving Syud Mir Sahib great credit for his public spirited liberality.

2. The Collector will take care that the work is entered in the list of useful works constructed by private individuals inserted annually in the "Fort Saint George Gazette."

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
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The Govt. readily sanction the proposed assignment of waste land assessed at R. 60. in free grant as maintenance endowment for this very handsome Choultry and concur with the Bd. in giving Syud Mir Sahib great credit for his public spirited liberality. E. H. N.

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