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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 23/2

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
3rd October 1867.*

No. 67. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 20th July 1867, No. 4,584.

Read the following letter from the Collector of the Godavery District, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cocanada, 25th June 1867, No. 176 :—

1. I have the honor to submit herewith, for consideration of the Board, a petition, together with its English translation, addressed to me by Sri Rajah Kakerlupudi Chinna Jaganadha Raz, representing that his father died lately, and requesting the continuance of his father's allowance of 400 Rupees to him.

I beg to refer the Board to the correspondence noted in the margin on the subject.

2. I have no proposal to make in the matter.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Petition.

1. Ordered that the foregoing letter, with the petition which accompanies it, be submitted to Government for their orders.

2. The petitioner's family was one of the ancient families of the district. His father falling into arrears, as well as being deeply indebted to private creditors, Government granted him an allowance of 100 Rupees a month in 1845, and in 1846 the arrears having largely increased, it became a question whether his Zemindary should be sold, or taken over by Government from the Zemindar, who was willing to cede it provided Government undertook to support him.

3. The then Collector was in favor of a sale, fearing that, if the property was ceded, Government would be liable for the debts of the Zemindar which amounted to a very considerable sum.

4. Finally, a sale was resolved on, and the property was bought by Government for Rupees 50,000, leaving the balance due from the Zemindar still at the high figure of Rupees 1,65,175-14-3.

5. It was in consequence of a negotiation for the cession of the Zemindary that Government had conferred a monthly stipend of Rupees 100 on the Zemindar. When the estate was sold this allowance ceased, and it was then resolved to give the Zemindar an allowance of Rupees 400 a month, which the Collector calculated would place him in a position befitting his rank, and on a level with the proprietor of the sister Zemindary of Ramchendrapuram, who had been granted an allowance of a similar amount.

6. The allowance was termed an act of bounty, and was conferred solely on the ground of the poverty of the Zemindar, who had been stripped of all his possessions by his creditors. The previous allowance had come out of the collections from the estate. The present one was charged to the general revenue.

G. O., No. 1,156, Revenue Department, 10th November 1846.

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