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Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 18th May 1858.

No. 10. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 20th April 1858, No. 1373.

In Consultation 14th October 1857. Read again letter from the Collector of Trichinopoly, dated 2d February 1857, forwarding one of the newly Lithographed Maps of his district with the recent talook alterations delineated in it, and enclosing a communication from the Collector of South Arcot, reiterating his opinion in favor of the new frontier line agreed to between himself and the Collector of Trichinopoly.

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In Consultation 20th April 1853.
 Read also letter from the last mentioned Officer dated
 30th December 1857, re-transmitting the Map forwarded
 to him for certain additions.

(Here enter No. 179.)

Resolved that the foregoing communications be submitted for the consideration and orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

The Board observe that with their Proceedings dated 16th September 1956, they submitted two letters from the Collector of Trichinopoly in furtherance of the orders of Government contained in Extract Minutes Consultation, No. 423, dated 27th March 1953, P. W. D. The first letter referred to the suggestions of Government for improving the boundaries of certain talooks in his district, and the other to a new frontier line between it and South Arcot.

• *E. M. C. No. 1081, R. D. dated 11th in Con. 20th Oct. 1855.* 3. Government approved of the alterations in talook boundaries proposed by Mr. Bird, which have since been

† Para. 3.

Vitticutty appeared to be surrounded by villages of that talook, they might be included in its limits. It appears however from Mr. Bird's second letter, above recorded, that there are no more villages which could be transferred from Madura to Vitticutty with advantage.

4. With respect to a new frontier between South Arcot and Trichinopoly, a line was agreed on by the Collectors and noticed by the Board in the following terms in their Proceed

Dated 16th Sept. 1856, para. G.

Note—The Sketch Map referred to in those remarks has been retained by Mr. Bird, to whom it was subsequently returned, but the new Map which accompanies shows that boundary very distinctly in colors.

5. It was further remarked by the Board that the plan involved a net transfer of lands assessed at upwards of 10,000 Rs. per year from Trichinopoly to South Arcot, but that as it required

Para. 7. ... ed an interchange of a smaller number of villages than the plan at first proposed by Mr. Bird, and secured a well defined boundary for both districts, it might be adopted with advantage.

Para. 6 of E. M. C. already quoted. — G. — Government took exception to this arrangement on the ground that it included the transfer of certain villages South of the Velanor to the Vriddachellum talook which is North of that river, and not further reduced the revenue of the Wooliarjoolien talook, already diminished, to 92,700 Rupees by the recent talook alterations. The line abandoned by Mr. Bird appeared to Government to be preferable, but they observed "As however the Collector of South Arcot objects to Mr. Bird's line, the Government are willing to consent to a modification of it in the N. E. corner. "The road which leaves the trunk road at Ayappanikenputty and goes due N. to Vriddachellum appears suitable as a general boundary; but the line may deviate from it to the Westward."

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"as to give Shrimustam and Palimcottah to South Arcot. All villages S. and W. of those place should certainly belong to Woodiarpolliem." The Collectors were accordingly directed to submit a revised list of villages for interchange in accordance with the views of Government, and the above recorded papers are their replies to the Board's call.

7. Mr. Bird states that he has given the subject frequent consideration and is unable to propose a better adjustment than that objected to by Government, and that he has been confirmed in this opinion by Mr. Hall's letter which he forwards with his own for the Board's information. Mr. Bird adds that the line suggested by Government, though not varying much from Mr. Hall's, would involve the transfer of some Palimcottah villages to Trichinopoly which is not desirable as likely to cause some confusion and inconvenience.

8. Mr. Hall still expresses his decided preference of the plan agreed to by Mr. Bird. He explains that he is not sure what line Government intend should be taken from the lower Arcot on the Coleroon to the village of Ayappaikenputty, from which point Government direct that the road running due N. to Vriddachellum may be considered as a portion of the line, but that if the trunk road be intended, all the villages East of this road would be included in South Arcot, while some of the Palimcottah villages would be transferred to Trichinopoly, an arrangement which, as already said, is inexpedient. The Board observe that Mr. Hall made his proposition with the advantage of a knowledge of the country about the Palimcottah Jaghire, and that he has since resided some time in the neighbourhood of Palimcottah when revising the assessment of the Jaghire.

9. Referring to the remark of Government in para. 5, about Police arrangements, Mr. Hall observes that Shrimustam and Palimcottah have each a Peishcar with the powers of a Head of Police, so that their transfer to Trichinopoly would only increase their distance from a European Officer, without giving them any advantage which they do not at present possess.

10. Under these circumstances the Board think that Government may not be disposed to press a revision of the lists of villages proposed by the Collectors for interchange, and they accordingly repeat their recommendation that the Collectors may be authorized to carry out the transfer, as detailed in para. 6 of the Board's Proceedings of the 16th September 1856, as soon after the Woodiarpolliem talook is surveyed and re-assessed as may be convenient.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) G. S. FORBES, Secretary.

No. 11. ORDER THEREON, No. 200, dated 14th May 1858.

1. In Extract Minutes Consultation 11th October 1856 No. 1031, while remarking upon the changes proposed in the limits of some of the talooks in Trichinopoly, and an interchange of villages between that District and South Arcot, the Government took exception to certain arrangements proposed by the local authorities and the Board, with reference to the Trichinopoly and South Arcot boundary, and directed that a revised list of villages to be interchanged should be framed, in accordance with their remarks.

2. The Board of Revenue now reply to this order. The new talook boundaries which were approved, have been fixed as proposed, and no orders are required on this part of the question. With reference to the suggestion of Government that certain villages not belonging to Vittikutty but surrounded by it, might be included in the limits of that talook, the Board quote an opinion of the Collector of Trichinopoly to the effect that there are no more villages which could be transferred from Madura to Vittikutty with advantage. The Government will only remark that they believe that the villages to which their former order referred as so situated, belonged to a part of Madura which has since been transferred to Trichinopoly, so that, no interchange of villages between two Districts would take place by the measure formerly advocated, but only between two talooks of the same District.

3. As to the new frontier between South Arcot and Trichinopoly, both Mr. Bird and Mr. Hall have found themselves unable to suggest any better adjustment than the one object-

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ed to by Government, and Mr. Hall thus expresses himself in a letter to the Collector of Trichinopoly dated 29th November 1856 "I should sign a list of villages simply as an act of obedience to Government, and not from a conviction that the arrangement directed by the Government was the best which can be made. I did not hastily come to my conclusion but gave my opinion after much consideration, and from a previous personal knowledge of the locality to which I have subsequently added further experience by residing some time in the neighbourhood. * * *

4. Under these circumstances the Government will not press their objections, and the transfer of villages, as originally proposed in para. 6 of the Board's proceedings dated 16th September 1856, may be carried out as soon as the Woodiarpolliem Talook is surveyed and re-assessed.

5. It appears from the map now submitted that Tiroopungaly and three other villages in the Torioor talook, but almost surrounded by Lalgooty, have not been transferred to the latter. The Government would be glad to learn if there are any objections to this step, as also whether some arrangement cannot be made for changing with Madura, Illipoor and its surrounding villages, now quite isolated from the Conad talook to which they belong, for other villages nearer to Trichinopoly; for some, in fact, situated between the present isolated group of villages, and the present Southern boundary of the Conad talook.

(Signed) W. H. BAYLEY,

Acting Secretary to Government.

No. 1373

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 20th April 1858.

In Com. 14th Oct. 1857. Read again letter from the Collector of Trichinopoly, dated 2d February 1857, forwarding one of the newly lithographed Maps of his district with the recent talook alterations delineated in it, and enclosing a communication from the Collector of South Arcot, reiterating his opinion in favor of the new frontier line agreed to between himself and the Collector of Trichinopoly.

In Com. 20th April 1858. Read also letter from the last mentioned Officer dated 30th December 1857, re-transmitting the Map forwarded to him for certain additions.
(Here enter No. 179.)

Resolved that the foregoing communications be submitted for the consideration and orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

2. The Board observe that with their Proceedings dated 16th September 1856, they submitted two letters from the Collector of Trichinopoly in furtherance of the orders of Government contained in Extract In Com. 10th April 1856. Minutes Consultation, No. 433, dated 27th March 1856. 1. W. D. The first

letter referred to the suggestions of Government for improving the boundaries of certain talooks in his district, and the other to a new frontier line between it and South Arcot.

3. Government approved of the alterations in talook boundaries proposed by Mr. Bird, which have since been carried out, and will be found delineated in the accompanying Map. It was at the same time suggested by Government that, as one or more villages not belonging to Vitticutty appeared to be

surrounded by villages of that talook, they might be included in its limits. It appears however from Mr. Bird's second letter, above recorded, that there are no more villages which could be transferred from Madura to Vitticutty with advantage.

4. With respect to a new frontier between South Arcot and Trichinopoly, a line was agreed on by the Collectors and noticed by the Board in the following terms in their Proceedings already quoted. "The arrangement proposed is that a portion of the Vedavair Channel should form the eastern boundary of Trichinopoly, and the

red line marked on the Map forwarded by Mr. Bird together with that portion of the Vellur which runs westward of it, its Northern boundary."
Note—The Sketch Map referred to in these remarks has been retained by Mr. Bird, to whom it was subsequently returned, but the new Map which accompanies shows that boundary very distinctly in colors.

5. It was further remarked by the Board that the plan involved a net transfer of lands assessed at upwards of 10,000 Rupees from Trichinopoly to South Arcot, but that as it required an interchange of a smaller number of villages than the plan at first proposed by Mr. Bird, and

secured a well defined boundary for both districts, it might be adopted with advantage.

6. Government took exception to this arrangement on the ground that it included the transfer of certain villages South of the Vellur to the Vriddachellam talook which is North of that river, and still further reduced the revenue of the Woodiar-polliem talook, already diminished, to 92,700 Rupees by the recent talook alterations. The line abandoned by Mr. Bird appeared to Government to be preferable, but they observed. "As however the Collector of South Arcot objects to Mr. Bird's line, the Government are willing to consent to a modification of it in the N. E. corner. The road which leaves the trunk road at Ayappanickenpatty and goes due N. to Vriddachellam appears suitable as a general boundary, but the line may deviate from it to the Westward so as to give Shrimustam and Palimcottah to South Arcot. All villages S. and W. of those places should certainly belong to Woodiarpolliem." The Collectors were accordingly directed to submit a revised list of villages for interchange in accordance with the views of Government, and the above recorded papers are their replies to the Board's call.

7. Mr. Bird states that he has given the subject frequent consideration and is unable to propose a better adjustment than that objected to by Government, and that he has been confirmed in this opinion by

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from the Collector of
Trichinopoly, forwarded
by a letter dated
1st April 1858, in which
it was stated that the
Taluk of the District of
Trichinopoly, which was
formerly a part of the
Taluk of the District of
Trichinopoly, had been
separated from the
Taluk of the District of
Trichinopoly, and
was now a part of the
Taluk of the District of
Trichinopoly.

(A true Extract)

S. D. Forbes

Secretary

Mr. Hall's letter which he forwards with his own for the Board's information. Mr. Bird adds that the line suggested by Government, though not varying much from Mr. Hall's, would involve the transfer of some Palenecottah villages to Trichinopoly which is not desirable as likely to cause some confusion and inconvenience.

8. Mr. Hall still expresses his decided preference of the plan agreed to by Mr. Bird. He explains that he is not sure what line Government intend should be taken from the lower Annicut on the Coleroon to the village of Asappamkempatty, from which point Government direct that the road running due N. to Villibichellum may be considered as a portion of the line, but that if the trunk road be intended, all the villages East of this road would be included in South Arcot, while some of the Palenecottah villages would be transferred to Trichinopoly, an arrangement which, as already said, is inexpedient. The Board observe that Mr. Hall made his proposition with the advantage of a knowledge of the country about the Palenecottah Jaghire, and that he has since resided some time in the neighbourhood of Palenecottah when revising the settlement of the Jaghire.

9. Referring to the remark of Government in para. 5, about Police arrangements, Mr. Hall observes that Shrinustam and Palenecottah have each a Peishcar with the powers of a Head of Police, so that their transfer to Trichinopoly would only increase their distance from a European Officer, without giving them any advantage which they do not at present possess.

10. Under these circumstances the Board think that Government may not be disposed to press a revision of the lists of villages proposed by the Collectors for interchange, and they accordingly repeat their recommendation that the Collectors may be authorized to carry out the transfer, as detailed in para. 6 of the Board's Proceedings of the 16th September 1856, as soon after the Woodiarpollicum talook is surveyed and re-assessed as may be convenient.

To: H. FORBES, Esq.,
Acting Secretary to Government, R. D.

apply to this order. The new
Tall boundaries which were
approved, have been fixed as
proposed, and no order are
required on this part of the
question. With a view to the sugges-
tion of fact that certain villages
not belonging to Kottikatty but
surrounded by it, might be included
in the limits of that & the
Board gave an opinion of the
Chief of Trichinopoly to the
effect that there are no more
villages which could be transferred
from Madura to Kottikatty with
advantage. The Govt will only re-
mark ~~on this point that it~~
~~does not appear to be~~
~~advisable to transfer these villages~~
~~as they are situated in~~
~~the vicinity of the boundary~~
~~of a sub-division~~
not ~~that~~ believe that the villages
to which the former order applied
are so situated, belonged to a part
of Madura which has ~~now~~ since
been

transferred to Trichinopoly
6/10th so that, as interchange of
villages between two districts
would take place by the
measure formerly advocated,
but only between two of the
same districts.
As to the new frontier be-
tween both dists, and
Trichinopoly, both Mr Bird
and Mr Hall have formed
themselves unable to suggest
any better adjustment than
the one objected to by Govt.
and Mr Hall thus expresses
himself in a letter to the
Chief of Trichinopoly
dated 19 November 1856
Para 6. Should not ~~which~~ village
simply as an act of benevolence
to Govt, and not from a
conviction that the arrange-
ment directed by the Govt
was the best which can
be made. I did not hastily
come to my conclusion but

from my friends after much
consideration and from a
previous personal knowledge
of the locality which I have
subsequently added from the
experience of visiting there
in the neighbourhood.

4. Under these circumstances
the Govt will not meet their
objections, and the transfer
~~originally proposed of~~
villages originally proposed
in Para 5 of the Board's pro-
ceedings dated 16 Sept 1886,
may be carried out as soon as
the Board has approved.
The Govt would however observe
~~that the boundary line is~~
~~not to be satisfied in the~~
~~proposed case there that~~
~~accepting & making any~~
~~but general explanation~~
~~of boundary from Govt~~

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~~that boundary which seems~~
~~to be a safe and secure~~
~~place, may be then be suitable~~
~~to local population.~~

5. It appears from the map
now submitted that Dorospur
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Govt would be glad to learn
if there are any objections
to this step, as also whether
some arrangement can not
be made for changing with
Madura, Illipon and its
surrounding villages, now
quite isolated from the
Coast. The Dutch are
belong for other villages near
to Tuckat; in some in fact
situated between the
present isolated group.

