



GUIDE TO THE RECORDS

OF THE

MADRAS DISTRICT

FROM 1712 TO 1835



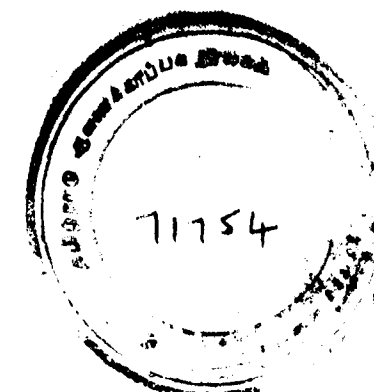
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CHAPTER I.

INTRODUCTION.

1. This book is intended as a guide to the contents of the records of the Revenue jurisdiction of Madras City down to the year 1835. Besides the regular correspondence with the Board and Government, which begins with the year 1787 there are six special series the opening dates of which vary considerably. These are Miscellaneous Accounts, Choultry Certificate Registers, Choultry Bill of Sales, Bill Registers, Company's Certificates etc., and Mortgage Registers.

2. There are certain other series which, though not coming within the category of Collectorate records, yet are full of information bearing on the intimate history of Madras City. These are the Coroner's records, 1818 to 1889, the Mayor's Court records, 1689 to 1813 and the Sheriff's records, 1781 to 1919.

3. In common with other districts the records of Madras have been called up and deposited in the Record Office in batches, at different times, a fact which accounts for a break in the continuity of the catalogue numbers. A reference to the abstract to the catalogue will show that Roman numbers are attached to certain items. These are the serial numbers allotted in the present printed catalogue of the Record Office to the first lot of records deposited for the period terminating, in general, by 1820. Such numbers have not been allotted to series subsequently deposited.

4. The Madras Record Office now holds the extant records down to 1857 but this series has been planned as a guide to the records down to 1835 only. The volumes in the Madras Collectorate series number 176. Of these 149 are fit to handle, 15 have been made so by repair and 12 still remain to be repaired before they can be used for reference. The bundles of the period 1799 to 1835 have been repaired and converted into volumes. The following appear to be missing :

	Series.	Period.
(a)	Letters to the Board and Government	1811-8, 1833.
(b)	Letters from the Board and Government	1791-818.
(c)	Miscellaneous sent and received	1804, 1820.
(d)	Accounts	1809-10.

Printed indexes exist for 102 of the 176 volumes. Details will be found in Table A at the end of the chapter.

5. The main portion of the Guide consists of a table of contents. No attempt has been made to analyse the contents of the special series, such as Bill Registers. The tables are extensive but do not pretend to be exhaustive. They refer to the 56 volumes covering the period 1787-835, namely the whole of Section I, being volumes 986 to 1031 and the series of volumes 4780 to 4789. The latter series consists of the bound up bundles, generally duplicates of volumes 5447 to 5492.

6. In common with other districts, the Madras Collectorate has printed papers of special importance from time to time. A list of such reprints will be found in Chapter III. Chapter V includes an index of the personal and institutional names found in the documents which are included in the Table of Contents.

TABLE A.

Table showing the volumes for which printed indexes are available.

Series.	Period.	Volume num- bers.	Number of volumes.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
(a) I. Correspondence	1787-826	986-1031	46
(b) Letters to and from the Board	1812-35	4780-9	10
(c) Letters to the Board, Government etc. ..	1821-35	5447-67	21
(d) Letters to and from the Board, Government etc.	1821-39	5468	1
(e) Letters from the Board, Government etc. ..	1821-35	5469-92	24
		Total ..	102

CHAPTER II.

HISTORICAL SKETCH.

1. From very early times the Revenue administration of the Madras District was in the hands of a senior civilian who combined the duties of 'Rentall General' and 'Scavenger.' In 1791 the office of Rentall General was discontinued and the Board of Revenue took charge of the collection of quit-rent appointing Sawmy Naig to be Collector of Quit-rent and Superintendent of the Company's lands. In 1802 a civilian took charge of the Collectorate. Early in the 19th century a Deputy Collector was appointed. The post was abolished in 1845 but in 1860 the Madras district was amalgamated with the Chingleput district and a Deputy Collector was again appointed. In 1870 Madras again became a separate Collectorate to be abolished again quite recently (1933). Table B at the end of this chapter gives details of some of these changes down to the year 1860.

2. Col. Love has dealt exhaustively with the history of Madras City down to 1800 in his 'Vestiges of Old Madras,' the fourth volume of which consists of an Index compiled in a most efficient and exhaustive manner. A similar work remains to be done for the nineteenth century. The Madras Record Office possesses a set of Asylum Press Almanacs which give many interesting personal details. These run from 1801 to 1861 as the Madras Almanac, in 1862 the designation changes to the Asylum Press Almanac and Directory. The Madras Club possesses numbers for the years 1790, 1792, 1796-806 and 1808-9. Table C, at the end of this chapter gives a list of some of the books which deal with the history of the City and its personalities.

TABLE B.

Table showing the changes in the administration of the Madras District.

Serial number.	Subject.	Reference to volumes.
(1)	(2)	(3)
1	In 1768 the office of 'Scavenger' was created to collect the revenue arising from house-tax. Ultimately the Scavenger combined the duties of the 'Rentall General' or officer collecting the ground rents.	Love's Vestiges of Old Madras, Vol. I/442.
2	In 1791 the office of the Rentall General was discontinued and the Board took charge of the collection of quit-rent.	(a) Board's General reports (Pr.) Vol. I/120, dated 7th September 1791. (b) Rev. Com. Vol. 42/1218-20, dated 23rd July 1791.
3	Sawmy Naig is appointed as Collector of Quit-rent and the Superintendent of the Company's lands. (Held office from 19th October 1791.)	Collectorate Vol. 1026/4-7, dated 21st November 1790.

Table showing changes in the administration of the Madras District—*cont.*

Serial number.	Subject.	Reference to volumes.
(1)	(2)	(3)
4.	Mr. J. H. D. Ogilvie is appointed as the Collector of Madras and is ordered to superintend the revenue arising from— (a) Home farm villages, (b) Arrack and toddy, (c) Quit-rent and (d) The Company's lands in the Black Town.	Board's Pro. Vol. 331/12448-51, dated 21st October 1802.
5.	Sawmy Naig hands over charge of the office of the Collector of Quit-rent and the Superintendent of the Company's lands within the Black Town to Mr. Ogilvie. (His report is dated 30th October 1802.)	Board's Pro. Vol. 332/13365-9, dated 4th November 1802.
6.	Government resolve on the immediate union of the two offices of the Collector and Land Customer (Collector of Customs) from 1st November 1810.	Collectorate Vol. 1006/565-9, dated 10th November 1810.
7.	From the Collector's proposal to the Board about the reduction of establishments, it is seen that there was a Collector for Madras in charge of Revenue from 1802 and a Collector and a Deputy for Customs from 1803.	Collectorate Vol. 1007/27-78, dated 25th January 1811.
8.	Mr. Thomas Harris is appointed Deputy Collector to succeed Mr. Saunders deceased, who was a Deputy to the Customs Collector.	Collectorate Vol. 1008/223, dated 27th September 1811.
9.	The Customs Deputy Collector becomes the Revenue Collector's Deputy Collector, but without any pay, apart from the commission on the collections.	Collectorate Vol. 1009/57-84, dated 20th January 1812.
10.	On the abolition of the Sayer, the Board recommends to Government the continuance of the appointment of the Collector and the discontinuance of his Deputy "at a fitting opportunity, in consequence of the decrease of business from the abolition of the Sayer."	Board's Pro. Vol. 1924/9999 (paragraph 39), dated 29th July 1844.
11.	Government order the abolition of the Deputy Collector's post.	Board's Pro. Vol. 1952/850 (paragraph 1), dated 18th January 1845.
12.	On the amalgamation of the Madras District with the Chingleput District, a Deputy Collector at Madras is appointed.	Rev. (Pr.) Pro. No. 133, dated 27th April 1860.

TABLE C.

I. List of books in the Madras Record Office Library relating to Madras.

Catalogue Section.	Name of the book.	Name of the author or publisher.	Year of publication.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
I.	(1) The Madras Port Manual .. .. .	....	..
	(2) The Madras City Police Acts .. .. .	....	..
	(3) The Madras Corporation Code .. .. .	....	..
II B.	(1) Papers connected with the construction of the Madras Harbour (Selections from the records of the Public Works Department, Government of India No. CCVI, P.W.D. Serial No. 5).	Government Press, Calcutta.	1885
	(2) Report of the Harbour Committee	Do.	1895
	(3) Report on Lighthouse illumination at Madras.	C.R. Cuthbert ..	1913
	(4) Report of the Committee on Local-Self Government in Madras.	Government Press ..	1883
	(5) Report of the Madras Medical College, 1856-7.	Fort St. George Press.	1858
	(6) Report on the Government Central Museum, Madras.	Surgeon Edward Bal-four.	1853
	(7) Report on the Government Central Museum and local museums in the Provinces.	Asylum Press ..	1857
I C.	Records of Fort St. George Diary and Consultation Books, Despatches, Letters to and from Fort St. George etc.	....	..

I. List of books in the Madras Record Office Library relating to Madras—cont.

Catalogue Section.	Name of the book.	Name of the author or publisher.	Year of publication.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
I. D.	(1) Report of a Committee on a plan for cleaning the drains of Black Town.	Asylum Press ..	1850
	(2) Papers connected with the improvement of drainage and sewage of Black Town as projected by Lt. P. P. O'Connell.	Fort St. George Press.	1855
	(3) Report on the dry earth system of sewage.	Mr. Ranking (Government Press).	1869
	(4) Drainage of Madras	W. Clark (Lawrence Asylum Press).	1875
III.	Madras Almanacs and Directories .. .. .	.....	..
V.	(1) Report on the vital statistics of the City of Madras.	Government Press ..	1869
	(2) Census returns of the City of Madras	Do.	1874
	(3) Do.	Do.	1883
IX.	(1) Adventures of an Arcot Rupee	Maj. C. F. Kirby ..	1867
	(2) List of pictures in the Government House ..	H. D. Love	1903
	(3) Report upon the furniture and equipment of the residences of the Governors of Bengal, Bombay and Madras.	A. R. Knapp, I.C.S. ..	1913
	(4) Historical Records of the Bodyguard of H.E. the Governor of Madras.	Vest & Co.	1922
	(5) Curgenven and the three nephews	A. J. Curgenven, I.C.S.	1930
	(6) Miss Eden's letters	Macmillan	1919
	(7) A history of the English settlements in India. (Early Records of the British in India).	J. T. Wheeler	1878
	(8) Handbook of the Madras Exhibition .. ..	.....	..
	(9) The Founding of Fort St. George	W. Foster	1902
	(10) Fort St. George—A short history of our first possession in India.	Mrs. F. Penny	1900
	(11) Vicissitudes of Fort St. George	D. Leighton	1902
	(12) Madras in olden times	J. T. Wheeler	1882
	(13) Nabobs of Madras	H. H. Dodwell	1926
	(14) Vestiges of Old Madras	H. D. Love	1913
	(15) Notes on maps of Old Madras preserved in the Madras Record Office (Journal of the Madras Geographical Association).	C. S. Srinivasachari..	1928
	(16) Life of Sir Thomas Munro	G. R. Gleig	1830
	(17) Selections from Minutes of Sir Thomas Munro.	Sir A. Arbuthnot ..	1881
	(18) Port of Madras	J. H. Taylor	..
	(19) Handbook to St. Mary's Church	S.P.C.K. Press	1905
	(20) An account of war in India between the English and the French on the Coromandel Coast, 1750-60.	R. O. Cambridge ..	1761
	(21) The Church in Madras	Rev. F. Penny	Pub. Cons., Vol. 2779-82 944.
Xin.	Special Committee's	9— 2—1852 Special Committee ..	Government. Pub. Cons., Vol. 2127-52 881.
XI.	apparatus .. .. .	.....	..
	Board's recommen-	26— 4—1853 Military Board ..	Government. Pub. Cons., Vol. 3250-98 907.
	Mint Master's report	28— 1—1854 Mint Master	Mint Com- mittee.
Se nu	system of sewerage,	18— 3—1868 Sanitary Commis- sioner.	.. ..
	.. .. .	23— 3—1868 Do.	Quarter Mas- ter-General.
as	.. .. .	17— 4—1868 Quartermaster-Ge- neral.	Government.
ment orders	.. .. .	9— 6—1868 .. .. .	.. ..
's report	.. .. .	7— 4—1875 Drainage Engineer.	Government. G.O. No. 56-7, P.W.D., dated 3rd May 1875. ..

CHAPTER III.

LIST OF REPRINTS.

MADRAS.

(Volumes 167-70 and 393-5.)

Reprint volume number and title of paper.	Date.	From.	To.	Volume number in the original.	Page number in the original.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
167 Fort St. George A short history of our first possession by Mrs. Penny.	..	....	..	..	..
168 Local Self-Government Committee's Report (with Appendix).	..	....	..	..	..
169 Public Works Water supply, Dam at Mount, Proposals.	24— 6—1854	Chief Secretary	.. Military Board.	Pub. Cons., Vol. 925.	293-7
O'Connell, Lt. P.P.O. Appointed on special duty	.. 11— 7—1854	Do.	.. Chief Engineer.	Pub. Cons., Vol. 926.	3275-7
— Instructions to	.. 31— 7—1854	Chief Engineer.	.. Lt. O'Connell.	Pub. Cons., Vol. 928.	3905-19
Water Supply Outlet to the sea, Construction proposals.	19— 9—1854	Chief Secretary.	.. Do.	Pub. Cons., Vol. 930.	4573-4
Sewerage Black Town, Report	.. 23— 9—1854	Lt. O'Connell.	Chief Secretary.	Pub. Cons., Nos. 38-9, dated 31st Oct. 1854.	..
— Estimate	.. Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	..
— Report	.. 23— 3—1855	Do.	Do.	Pub. Cons., No. 565, dated 2nd May 1855.	..
— Supply to South Madras	.. 22— 3—1855	Do.	.. ..	Do.	..
— Appendix	.. Do.	Do.	.. ..	Do.	..
— Supply to North Madras	.. 23— 3—1855	Do.	.. ..	Do.	..
— Appendix	.. Do.	Do.	.. ..	Do.	..
Drainage Town manures, Practical application.	23— 4—1855	Do.	.. Private Secretary.	..	..
Water Supply Proposals, Government orders	.. 2— 5—1855	....	..	Pub. Cons., Vol. 944.	2779-32
170 Drainage Black Town, Special Committee's proceedings.	9— 2—1852	Special Committee	.. Government.	Pub. Cons., Vol. 881.	2127-52
— List of apparatus .. ..	.. ..	....	..	..	..
— Military Board's recommendation.	26— 4—1853	Military Board	.. Government.	Pub. Cons., Vol. 907.	3350-93
393 Madras Mint Abolition, Mint Master's report	.. 28— 1—1854	Mint Master	.. Mint Committee.	..	..
394 Sanitation Dry earth system of sewerage, Report.	18— 3—1868	Sanitary Commissioner.	..	..	..
.. ..	23— 3—1868	Do.	Quarter Master-General.	..	..
— Remarks	.. 17— 4—1868	Quartermaster-General.	Government.	..	..
— Government orders	.. 9— 6—1868	....	..	..	..
395 Drainage Mr. Clark's report	.. 7— 4—1875	Drainage Engineer.	Government.	G.O. No. 56-7, P.W.D., dated 3rd May 1875.	..

CHAPTER IV.

THE CATALOGUE.

ABSTRACT.

MADRAS.

Record office catalogue.		Period.	Serial number of volumes.	Number of volumes.
Section.	Sub-section.			
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
I. Correspondence	(a) To the Board and Government—			
	(i) Sent and received	1790-826	*986-90	5
	(ii) Sent	1791-821	991-2	2
	(iii) Received	1820-2	993	1
	(b) Miscellaneous—			
	(i) Sent and received	1797-819	994-1025	32
	(ii) Sent	1787-820	1026-9	4
	(iii) Received	1819-20	1030-1	2
		1803-22	1032-7	6
II. Miscellaneous Accounts		1719-824	1038-56	19
III. Choultry Certificate Registers		1745-809	1057-76	20
IV. Choultry Bill of Sales		1807-19	1077-85	9
V. Bill Registers	(a) Outside	1810-8	1086-94	9
	(b) Inside	1804-10	1095-7	3
	(c) Outside and inside.	1771-816	1098-9	2
VI. Company's Certificates etc.		1800-20	1100-2	3
VII. Mortgage Registers		1812-35	*4780-9	10
Letters to and from the Board.		1821-35	5447-67	21
To the Board, Government etc.		1821-39	5468	1
To and from the Board, Government etc.				
From the Board, Government etc.		1821-35	5469-92	24
Miscellaneous Accounts		1821-3	5493-5	3
Total				176

*Bundles originally, but since repaired and bound into volumes.

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Serial number.	Contents.	Period.	Number of pages.	Shelf number.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
986	Company's lands—Management etc.	1799-809	558	1416
987	Abkari	1811-2	590	"
988	Abkari, Assessment	1813-4	344	"
989	Chatram, Public works	1815-6	432	"
990	Buildings, Market sites	1817-26	440	"
991	Inams	21-10-1791	319	"
		9-10-1802		
992	Customs	19-8-1820	350	"
		7-9-1821		
993	Customs, Religious endowments, Tobacco	15-8-1820	357	"
		31-1-1822		
994	Assignment of land	9-5-1797	224	"
		9-9-1802		
995	Sanitation, Survey	7-1-1802	95	"
		7-12-1803		
996	Religious endowments, Traffic	20-2-1805	176	"
		10-1-1806		
997	Sanitation	11-3-1805	110	"
		24-5-1805		
998	Abkari	8-1-1806	273	"
		7-10-1806		
999	Abkari, Religious endowments, Famine relief, Military guard.	27-9-1806	400	"
		13-11-1807		
1000	Abkari	19-1-1807	87	"
		30-12-1809		
1001	Customs and Revenue—Amalgamation	11-11-1807	133	"
		30-1-1809		
1002	Abkari	12-11-1807	42	"
		25-1-1809		
1003	Assignment of land	17-11-1807	109	"
		24-2-1809		
1004	Accounts, Horses	20-6-1814	151	"
		28-6-1816		
1005	Abkari	2-2-1809	360	"
		20-9-1809		
1006	Do.	20-12-1809	712	"
		31-12-1810		

Serial number.	Contents.	Period.	Number of pages.	Shelf number.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
5447	Abkari, Accounts, Betel and tobacco, Currency, Customs, Native Fund, Quit-rent, Renting, Salt, Snuff, Stationery.	2— 7—1821 } 31—12—1821 }	182-832	2360
5448	Duplicate of Vols. 5447 and 5449	7— 0—1821 } 30—12—1822 }	370	"
5449	Abkari, Accounts, Adyar River, Betel and tobacco, Cochrane's Canal, Currency, Customs, Pagodas, Pensions, Quit-rent, Salt, Schools, Snuff, Tank repairs.	2— 1—1822 } 30—12—1822 }	602	"
5450	Abkari, Accounts, Bazaars, Betel and tobacco, Customs, Establishment, Jourdan's Estate, Land grant, Loans, Pagodas, Pensions, Quit-rent, Roads, Salt, St. Thomas' Mount.	2— 1—1823 } 31—12—1823 }	446	"
5451	Duplicate of Vols. 5450 and 5452	3— 1—1822 } 31—12—1823 }	486	"
5452	Abkari, Accounts, Betel and tobacco, Customs, Free schools, Land grant, Quit-rent, Salt, Weights and measures.	2— 1—1824 } 31—12—1824 }	606	"
5453	Abkari, Accounts, Betel and tobacco, Clive's Canal, Customs, Encroachment, Land acquisition, Pensions, Quit-rent, Weights and measures.	3— 1—1825 } 31—12—1825 }	435	"
5454	Duplicate of Vol. 5453	3— 1—1825 } 23—12—1825 }	206	"
5455	Abkari, Accounts, Betel and tobacco, Customs, Land grant, Pensions, Quit-rent, Salt.	2— 1—1826 } 30—12—1826 }	596	"
5456	Duplicate of Vol. 5455	6— 1—1826 } 30—12—1826 }	332	"
5457	Abkari, Accounts, Betel and tobacco, Customs, Indigo, Mosques and tombs, Pensions, Salt, St. Thomas' Mount.	2— 1—1827 } 31—12—1827 }	604	"
5458	Duplicate of Vol. 5457	2— 1—1827 } 29—12—1827 }	203	"
5459	Abkari, Accounts, Betel and tobacco, Customs, Irrigation, Pensions, Salt.	2— 1—1828 } 31—12—1828 }	538	"
5460	Do. do.	2— 1—1829 } 31—12—1829 }	582	"
5461	Duplicate of Vol. 5460	2— 1—1829 } 31—12—1829 }	260	"
5462	Abkari, Accounts, Betel and tobacco, Customs, Indigo, Pagodas, Pensions, Quit-rent, Salt, Tank repair, Weights and measures.	2— 1—1830 } 26— 6—1830 }	380	"
5463	Do. do.	26— 6—1830 } 31—12—1830 }	381-740	"
5464	Do. do.	3— 1—1831 } 31—12—1831 }	508	"
5465	Do. do.	3— 1—1832 } 31—12—1832 }	575-1017	"
5466	Abkari, Accounts, Betel and tobacco, Customs, House numbering, Pagodas, Pensions, Quit-rent, Salt.	2— 1—1834 } 31—12—1834 }	511-978	"
5467	Do. do.	2— 1—1835 } 31—12—1835 }	519-972	"
5468	Abkari, Accounts, Land grant, Quit-rent, Salt, Title-deeds.	11— 1—1821 } 9— 8—1839 }	298	2361
5469	Abkari, Accounts, Customs, Forgery, Land grant, Madras Port, The Nabob's property, Pensions, Quit-rent, Salt, Saltpetre.	30— 4—1821 } 23— 7—1821 }	342-769	"
5470	Abkari, Accounts, Betel and tobacco, Customs, Esplanado Committee, Pensions, Salt, Tank repairs, Vayalur.	24— 7—1821 } 31—12—1822 }	770-1150	"
5471	Do. do.	1— 1—1822 } 23— 5—1822 }	437	"
5472	Abkari, Accounts, Betel and tobacco, Customs, Quit-rent, Road Committee, Salt, Schools, Wootari nullah.	24— 5—1822 } 28—12—1822 }	438-845	"
5473	Duplicate of Vols. 5471-2 and 5474	4— 2—1822 } 29—12—1823 }	351	"
5474	Abkari, Accounts, Betel and tobacco, Customs, Cochrane's Canal, Jourdan's Estate, The Nabob's property, Quit-rent, Roads, Salt.	2— 1—1823 } 31—12—1823 }	517	"
5475	Abkari, Accounts, Betel and tobacco, Customs, Egmore Cheri, Military, Pensions, Quit-rent, Roads, Salt, Tank repairs.	2— 1—1824 } 30—12—1824 }	674	"
5476	Duplicate of Vol. 5475	5— 1—1824 } 30—12—1824 }	331	"
5477	Abkari, Accounts, Betel and tobacco, Customs, Embellishment, Land grant, Pensions, Quit-rent, Renting, Salt, St. Thomas' Mount, Triplicano pagoda, Weights and measures.	1— 1—1825 } 30—12—1825 }	501	"
5478	Duplicate of Vol. 5477	8— 1—1825 } 29—12—1825 }	254	"
5479	Abkari, Accounts, Betel and tobacco, Cochrane's Canal, Customs, Irrigation works, Land grant, Male and Female Asylums, Pagodas, Pensions, Quit-rent, Renting, Salt, Stamp duty.	1— 1—1826 } 28—12—1826 }	625	"
5480	Duplicate of Vol. 5479	2— 1—1826 } 28—12—1826 }	376	"
5481	Abkari, Accounts, Betel and tobacco, Building materials, Cochrane's Canal, Customs, Estimates, Inams, Land grant, The Nabob's houses and gardens, Pensions, Quit-rent, Renting, Salt.	1— 1—1827 } 28—12—1827 }	479	"
5482	Duplicate of Vol. 5481	4— 1—1827 } 27—12—1827 }	209	"

Serial number.	Contents.	Period.	Number of pages.	Shelf number.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1054	Choultry Certificate Registers	10— 5—1796 } 27— 5—1796 }	270	1418
1055	Do.	4— 7—1796 } 1— 8—1798 }	300	"
1056	Do.	13— 7—1801 } 5— 6—1824 }	714	"
1057	Choultry Bills of Sales	1745 1— 5—1801 }	464	"
1058	Do.	2— 5—1767 } 20— 8—1768 }	184	"
1059	Do.	10— 1—1771 } 31—12—1771 }	306	"
1060	Do.	27—11—1773 } 27—11—1774 }	538	"
1061	Do.	18— 1—1775 } 18— 8—1806 }	588	"
1062	Do.	30—10—1775 } 8— 3—1778 }	318	"
1063	Do.	30— 5—1776 } 30— 7—1776 }	43	"
1064	Do.	20— 4—1778 } 22— 4—1780 }	386	"
1065	Do.	25— 0—1779 } 31— 8—1805 }	289	"
1066	Do.	23— 4—1780 } 1— 8—1785 }	483	"
1067	Do.	23— 4—1782 } 30— 9—1782 }	398	"
1068	Do.	3—12—1786 } 26— 3—1787 }	60	"
1069	Do.	17— 7—1787 } 6—11—1788 }	306	"
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10-2-00	———Sale of certain lands ordered—Collector's commission. The Quit-rent Collector is ordered to sell those lands and gardens for which parties do not produce grants or establish their rights within three months. The Board being pleased with the exertions of the Collector, Samy Naik, allow him a commission of $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on his collections in addition to his pay of Pag. 30.	35-42
	Encroachments	
18-10-00	Lands in Madras—Enquiry into titles ordered. The Board directs the Superintendent to ascertain the limits of lands possessed by every person in Madras. Those who have been in possession for thirty years are not to be molested. All other lands will have to be sold. The rights of the Government have been usurped particularly on the banksall grounds. (The enclosure mentioned in this letter is missing.)	27-8
27-10-00	———Banksall grounds. Before removing the habitations that have been erected upon the ground, the Board wishes to allow the owner to remove them voluntarily. A compensation is also offered if application is made for it before the 15th December.	31-2
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7-2-00	Inam Lands Sale. The purchaser should always make sure that the seller has the right to sell the lands. Maniam lands cannot be alienated when they are granted as remuneration for services such as those of karnams.	43-4
16-5-00	Black Town Quit-rent on land in. The Board represents to Government that several persons who have been assigned lands by Government have not taken out certificates, and that a fee of Pag. 5 may be levied for each certificate in future. Registration of titles should be made compulsory. The lands occupied by timber depots on the east side of the Esplanade and a range of bazaars on the north west are not paying any rent. If rent is levied there will be an income of Pag. 11,000 to Government.	47-58
7-1-00	———Government approve the measure. They consider that possession for 30 years establishes the right of the possessor to the lands.	59-64
16-5-00	Banksall Assignment of land for. The Board proposes to allot plots to the north of the Custom House instead of the sites occupied by them on the South Beach. If sufficient land is not available in the first line lots in the second line will be allowed. The price of a ground in the first line will be Pag. 600 in the second Pag. 550 and in the third line Pag. 500.	47-58
7-1-00	———Government approve.	59
8-9-00	Tondiarpet Encroachments. The Quit-rent Collector is ordered to notify by beat of tom-tom that the encroachments on the streets and roads will be punished with a fine.	69-72
19-10-01	———Mirasi lands.	83-118
31-10-01	The Board authorizes the Quit-rent Collector to grant certificates to the mirasidars to hold their lands in perpetuity. The measurement of the Quit-rent Collector will be considered to be authoritative. The raising of cocoanut plantations should be prohibited.	
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29-1-01	Assignment of Land Banksalls. The Superintendent requests permission to remove the buildings still standing in the fourth line and to assign the ground to the several applicants.	73-80
29-1-01	Varadaraja Mudali Application for land. Varadaraja Mudali's request to be given six grounds at Ammen Kovil for which he offers Pag. 200 a ground is recommended to the Board.	73-80
31-1-01	———Orders. The Board authorizes the sale.	81
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14-11-01	1. The Board recommends to Government the construction of a navigable canal from the Ennore River to Madras to facilitate the transport of provisions and particularly of firewood and chunam. The cost of constructing a canal 10,560 yards long will come to about St. Pag. 12,590. 2. Government are unwilling to undertake the work at public expense. They would approve its construction by private enterprise and the levy of a fixed toll for a fixed number of years.	
21-1-02	3. Mr. Heefke's proposal was accepted by the Board.	165
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15-2-01	The Superintendent of Lands reports that all the plots in the first, second and third lines have been allotted and that he has allotted part of the fourth line also for banksalls. He had great difficulty in persuading the occupants of the fourth line to remove to another locality.	
	Charitable Inams	
26-9-02	Suncoo Chinna Kistnama's garden. On the representation of the Superintendent of Lands and the Board, Government direct the restoration of this garden which was attached for arrears due from Suncoo Chinna Kistnama, the registered holder and which belongs to the Banians.	169-84
	Bricks and Brickfields	
24-11-02	Regulation of manufacture. 1. Government order that bricks should not be manufactured on Government lands by private persons and that kilns should not be built in places where they will be offensive to others. A licence must be taken out before bricks are manufactured. 2. Government may demand bricks for use on Public Works in preference to other persons. The Committee of Police will regulate the manufacture and sale of chunam.	185-96
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12-3-01	South Beach—Removal of. A notice in English and in the vernacular is published directing all persons who may own buildings there, to remove them within ten days.	119-22
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31-3-01	Further instructions. Government bonds may be received as payment for the lands purchased from the Government. If a person recedes from his offer he must be called upon to pay any loss that may arise consequently.	123-4
15-4-01	———Narasiah's application. The spot of ground applied for by him may be sold at the rate of Pag. 200 a ground. Varadaraja Mudali's application cannot be complied with unless Narsiah refuses.	127
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21-10-02	Collector of Madras. The Collector of Madras will in future manage the Home Farm villages, the arrack and toddy farms and quit-rent on the Company's land within the Black Town. He is allowed a commission of five per cent. on the net revenue which he collects on account of the betel and tobacco supplies. He may levy a fee for himself on grants and renewal of grants.	197-200

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15-2-02	Boody Begam Pettah Encroachments—Report.	201-4
	1. The Quit-rent Collector reports that on surveying the garden of Syphum Mulk, he found an excess of five cawnies. He proposes that an equal area may be sequestered from the locality known as Body Begum Pettah formed by Syphum Mulk and that the occupants of houses may be forced to pay a quit-rent to Government. 2. He also represents that several Europeans have encroached on the public road by making ditches round their gardens.	
11-2-03	St. Thomé Villages Assessment—Revision.	205-22
	1. The Board directs the Collector of Madras to call by beat of drum for the titles under which the several people enjoy their lands in the San Thomé villages and to resume such lands as are not held on reasonable rights. 2. The Quit-rent Collector reports that a large area of occupied land is not included in the original survey. All lands should be assessed at Pag. 2 per cawnee, but charging less on barren lands etc. The coopam of the fishermen should be exempted from quit-rent because of their poverty. 3. If the right and left hand castes can be induced to live in the same streets, it will tend to prevent disputes between them. The ground adjoining Mr. Latour's house should not be used as a burning ground.	
30-6-03	Abkari Foreign liquor, arrack and toddy.	223-68
	1. The Collector forwards to Government and the Board, drafts of a regulation to introduce a system of licensing liquor shops. Specimen of licences for foreign liquor, arrack and toddy are also enclosed. 2. <i>Drunkenness.</i> There is a good deal of drunkenness in the city due to the very large number of shops (nearly 600) set up by the contractor of the monopoly. The Collector proposes to raise the tax on retail foreign liquor shops from Pag. 1½ to Pag. 1½ per day and the retail price from 90 cash to 1½ fanams per dram and to raise the tax on arrack stills and toddy shops. The arrack shops should be leased to 20 people each having one division. There should be only two toddy shops in each of these 20 divisions. Unlicensed persons should be prevented from selling liquor or buying toddy.	
9-10-03	Home Farm Villages Assessment.	269-80
	1. The Collector reports that most of the lands in the nine villages of Vepery, Egmore, Chetput etc., have been measured and assessed. Some of the parties have failed to produce their titles. Service inams, which were found to have been transferred, were assessed with a quit-rent. There are at present about 716 cawnies of land which are unalienated. These will be distributed among the mirasidars, and an assessment calculated on the average produce of the last five years will be levied from them. 2. The Collector proposes to supply water from tanks etc., to private lands also, provided they pay an additional assessment. Chintadripettah has been measured with a view to specifying its extent in the cowle granted to Mungaputhy Naick in 1787 for collecting a fee on the houses for the support of the two temples.	

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5-10-03	3. There is a colony of chucklers in the heart of Vepery, which forms a great nuisance. It may be removed to Vysarpadee or Nedumbarree.	281-8
	4. It is useless to preserve the old titles after giving the parties new ones. The Collector proposes that they may be returned to the parties after cancelling them.	
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3-1-06	Construction. Government sanction a sum of St. Pag. 6,000 for building a jail in the Black Town.	315
	Chingleput District	
2-6-06	Assignment of land—Made in—Errors. The Collector of Chingleput represents that the Collector of Madras has issued seven grants for lands situated in Chingleput Zillah. All of these are the property of the Zamindar of Trivetore whose lands were permanently settled before these grants were made. The Collector of Madras is directed to rectify the mistake.	325-36
	St. Thomé Cathedral	
4-6-06	Charitable inam. The Bishop of San Thomé requests that the several lands and houses in and near San Thomé may be registered in the usual way.	337-42
	Assignment of Land	
20-8-06	Irregular transaction. 1. Jeevan Row represents that he was in charge of the boundary villages and that he was desired by Mr. Cockburn, late Member of the Board, to make out a grant to Sreenivasa-chari, a writer of Mr. Goldingham. 2. The Board refuses to accept this explanation because there is no mention of it in the records.	343-58
	Powder Mill	
18-9-06	Ground near—Relinquishment of. The Collector reports to the Secretary of the Committee of Finance that the records of 1772 show that 60,200 sq. ft. of ground belonging to Pedda Naik was appropriated for building the powder wall. He proposes to resell it to him at cost price.	359-70
	Mylapore Temple	
13-7-05	Appointment of managers. 1. The Board confirms the appointment of Pummel Subbaroy as Warden of Kapaliswar temple. The Collector is directed to recommend two persons to be overseers in the places of Subbaroy and Masilamani.	289-90
4-10-05	2. Cuttambakkam Masilamani Mudali is appointed to the office of Overseer and Assistant Warden. The Board has issued a sanad in his name and another in the name of Subbaroy, the Warden. (See also 996/95-7.)	293
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7-10-06	Appointed Collector. Mr. Murray is appointed Collector of Madras. He is to take charge of the office from Mr. Harry Taylor.	371

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9-2-07	De Fries & Co., Messrs. Application for land in the Second Line.	380-94
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20-12-06	Land Acquisition Colla Peddaswami and others' houses and lands—Sale to the Company—Bonds.	377-88
30-5-07	Black Town Drainage.	401-8
	1. The sworn assessor represents to the Justices of the Peace that, owing to the lack of a main drain, the streets of Black Town are very filthy. He proposes the construction of a main drain from the Elephant Gate all along the back of Popham's Broadway till it joins the drain constructed by Mr. Cochrane. It may be flushed periodically by means of water from an elevated cistern filled by a steam engine. 2. The scavenging system is very unsatisfactory. The department should be made more efficient.	
31-8-07	Alienation of Land Registration—New form.	400-24
	Government order the Collector to register sale deeds of lands made by inhabitants in the detailed form in which they require it, viz., to enter the measurement and value of the land with the witnesses of the adjacent houses. The extra fees which they have volunteered to pay must be kept in deposit until further orders.	
26-10-07	Arrack Shops	433-8
21-12-07	The Collector reports that some persons offer to take a contract for all the arrack shops for three years. Under the present system, most of the shops are unlicensed. The number of shops may be raised from 40 to 80, yielding Pag. 2 each per day. The contractors may be allowed to sell both Batavia and country arrack. A peon may be placed over each shop, if the contractors will pay for them.	441-4
12-11-07	Powder Mill Ground near—Relinquishment of.	433-6
	The Collector reports that 30 cawnies of the mirasidars' land were taken for erecting the powder mill without giving any compensation. He suggests that it is better to come to terms with the parties rather than leave them to go to a Court of Law.	
30-1-08	Old Debtors' Jail The Collector is ordered to state if the old jail in Sembudoss street is built on public property, and if so to dispose it of by public auction.	445-9
4-1-08	Arrack Country and Batavia.	461-8
8-2-08	The Board does not approve the Collector's proposals to combine the sale of country arrack and Batavia arrack into one monopoly. Country arrack has unhealthy effect on people. It directs him to call for separate tenders for each sort of arrack.	

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28-7-08	St. Thomas Mount Cantonment. The Artillery Commandant complains that large quantities of brandy and other spirits are smuggled into the Cantonment from Madras by persons who are provided permits signed by the Collector and supplied to them by the vendors of spirits.	473-80
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21-2-09	Exchange of land. Government agree to purchase a house in the Fort, belonging to Singana Chetti and to assign to him a plot on the South Beach valued at about Pag. 3,000. Certain restrictions are imposed upon all purchasers of land in South Beach.	481-500
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30-9-09	Comparative statements for ff. 1216, 1217 and 1218.	513-20
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29-12-09	Collector of Madras—Revision. (See pp. 197-200). 1. The Board submits that the Collector is in charge of the Mint and that, he being overworked, the revenue collections have fallen considerably. It recommends that he be relieved of his charge of the Mint, but be given charge of the land customs. It would not put him in charge of the sea customs also because that would bring him under the separate authority of the Board of Trade. 2. Government order the appointment of a whole time officer for the Mint.	521-55
	Salt	
29-12-09	Collector of Madras—Revision. (See pp. 197-200). The Board observes that the salt revenue of Madras is comparatively low and that there is reason to suspect that salt is smuggled in from outside. It proposes to abolish the manufacture in Madras. The quantity required for Madras will be manufactured at Atteput and Vulloor to the northward and Covelong to the southward, and conveyed in boats from thence to Madras. The cost of manufacture in the jagheer is much less than that at Madras.	521-55

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2-4-1810	Correspondence. The Board resolves that all applications for grants as well as the register of grants should be forwarded through the Collector from the parties and from the Board.	1-14
	Quit-rent	
22-3-10	Singana Chetty—Application for reduction. Singana Chetty was holding six cawnies on a favourable quit-rent of 2 pagodas for the whole, but he cannot claim the same indulgence for the additional ten cawnies now assigned to him. He must pay the usual quit-rent of 1½ pagodas for his garden lands.	15-24

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22-10-10	The Collector recommends Mr. Travers' application for a grant for his lands in Trichinopoly.	47
10-8-10	Selwyn, Lt. J. Applies for a grant for lands in Trichinopoly.	27
30-9-10	H.H. the Nawab Exemption from quit-rent.	29-40
27-12-10	1. H.H. the Nawab of the Carnatic claims exemption from quit-rent on lands held by members of his family. 2. Government considered that the exemption granted to the Nawab in 1791 does not extend to lands, since purchased by him and it was made only on consideration of delicacy. The Collector will therefore levy the usual quit-rent on the lands belonging to the Nabob's family.	73-98
16-10-10	Francke, Capt. J. C. Applies for a grant for lands in Trichinopoly.	45
4-11-10	Dalrymple, Mr. Kirby Applies for a grant. The Collector of Bellary applies for a grant for the lands held by Mr. Dalrymple in Ganjam.	51
19-12-10	Ainslie, Mr. Whitelaw Surgeon—Application for grant. The Collector of Trichinopoly applies for a grant for Mr. Ainslie.	71
25-2-11	Clive's Canal Land acquisition—Compensation to Tondiarpet Mirasidars.	103-22
9-4-11	The Collector forwards a statement of the lands taken up for the Clive's Canal from the Meerasidars of Tondiarpet and for which the Vellalars, who have been declared to be the lawful heirs, are entitled to a compensation. The valuation of the several plots is based on the value of the land at the time they were acquired. If the parties do not agree to this valuation, the Collector is authorized to defend any suits that may be brought.	151-2
4-4-11	Land Custom House The Collector is directed to report upon a complaint by the European inhabitants, that the situation of the land custom house causes great inconvenience to them. He is to prepare an estimate for the cost of demolishing it and the value of the site.	139-50
10-4-11	—He reports that the materials and the vacant site may yield about Pag. 3,960.	153-8
19-4-10	Assignment of Land List of grants to Europeans. Grants are issued to the following:— Mr. Travers, Capt. Francke, Lt. Selwyn, Mr. Peter Bruce, Mr. John Smith and Mr. J. Stevens.	167-74
29-7-11	Cocum River Dam—Complaints about. The inhabitants of Chintadripettah complained that the dam thrown across the river on the east side of the village caused floods which almost submerged their houses. They request that a bridge may be constructed instead of the dam. But the Superintending Engineer is of opinion that the damage to the fort and the island would be greater, if the dam were demolished. Government therefore direct that the dam should be repaired.	243-60
1-10-11	Harris, Mr. Thomas Appointed Deputy Collector of Madras. MAD.—4	261

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9-2-11	Roman Catholic Cemetery Black Town. The Collector is directed to report if there is any objection to exempting from quit-rent, the lands purchased by the Capuchin Mission to form a new burying place for the Catholics of Black Town.	263-8
21-12-11	General Hospital Smuggling of liquor into. The Surgeon of the General Hospital complained to Government that owing to the huge number of arrack and toddy shops near the hospital a large quantity of spirituous liquors was being regularly smuggled into the hospital. The Board remarks that no matter how far away the shops may be, smuggling cannot be prevented unless greater care is taken within the walls of the hospital. The Collector is, however, directed to report if any alterations have been made in the system of licensing shops.	289-78
20-1-12	Jurisdiction Collector of Madras. On the recommendation of the Board, the offices of the Collector of Madras and the Collector of Land Customs were combined and placed under the Collector of Madras. Government now approve the reduction of establishment proposed by the Board and also the abolition of a fixed salary to the Deputy Collector. A fee of 5 per cent. will be levied on all imports and this will be divided between the Collector and his Deputy in the proportion of 2/3 and 1/3. A commission of 1½ per cent. on the other revenues of the Collector of Madras will also be drawn and divided in the same proportion. Government also direct that sundry other revenues which are not under the Collector at present should be placed under him hereafter.	279-360
20-1-12	Arrack Distilleries Construction proposed. With a view to encouraging the sale of Batavia arrack and reduce that of country arrack the Collector submitted proposals to establish Government distilleries from which all retail vendors might purchase Batavia arrack. Government approve the scheme and desire the Board to follow the same method in other districts.	279-360
2-3-12	Roman Catholic Cemetery Black Town. The Collector and the Board were of opinion that exemption from quit-rent should not be allowed because quit-rent shows the right of Government over the property. Charity may be shown in other ways but not by exempting from quit-rent. Government, however, grant exemption to lands used for public and charitable purposes. The chapel proposed to be built by the Capuchins will be within the restricted area and its construction should not be permitted.	365-80
3-4-12	Olive's Canal Tolls on Government property. 1. The Collector and the Board were of opinion that the lessee of the canal had no right to demand toll upon goods belonging to Government passing through the canal. 2. But the Advocate-General considers that the canal is private property and that Government can claim no exemption. A canal is different from a natural haven or river and even if the land for the canal has been purchased at public expense the lessee has a right to demand toll on Government property.	381-400

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3-4-12	Assignment of Lands Renewal fees—Orders.	401-16
	Government direct that the rent of Pag. 30 at the end of every 30 years should be levied from the person who possesses the land at the expiry of 30 years. If transfers of land are made in the meanwhile and a new grant obtained, the Collector must levy that part of the Pag. 30 which is due for the broken period. If transfers are effected without the knowledge of the Collector the rent of Pag. 30 should be levied from the person who holds the land at the end of 30 years.	
15-6-12	Sergeant's Quarters	
26-11-12	Chintadripet. The Collector acquires for Pag. 80 land for constructing quarters for the sergeants in Chintadripet. The quarters occupied by them at present are too small and therefore will be converted into a store room.	425-36 521-4
6-7-12	Native Fund Grant of pensions.	437-9
	Government direct that whenever recommendations are made for pensions from the Native Pension Fund, the Board should consider if the claimant has no relatives to maintain him. If pensions are granted indiscriminately to all persons the Fund will prove insufficient.	
16-7-12	Ground-rent Grain landed on the Beach—Levy—Orders.	441-50
	Government direct the Collector to consult the Collector of Sea Customs to fix a reasonable period for allowing grain to lie on the beach free of ground-rent. After the expiry of that period rent should be paid for the whole period.	
25-8-12	Toddy Sales Licensing proposals.	451-74
	1. The Collector proposes to introduce a system of controlling the sale of toddy within the limits of Madras. There will be 50 divisions and 5 shops in each division, the weekly rentals of which will be sold by public auction, but bidding will be restricted to people of the Shanar caste. 2. Toddy drawers will have to pay a daily fee according to the number of trees they rent. All Shanars will receive permits from the Collector to sell unfermented toddy until 10 o'clock in the morning. After 10 they must sell their stock to the divisions only. The Collector will be in charge of this department.	
31-8-12	3. The Board disagrees with the Collector. It considers that the Justices of the Peace should issue licences as before. If divisions are to be bid only by Shanars they may form a combination against Government. Bidding leads to an increased sale of toddy which is against the intentions of Government.	475-98
10-9-12	General Market Kotwal's application for pension.	499-502
20-9-12	Kistnama Naik who was kotwal of the General market from 1807 until the abolition of the offices of Superintendent of Details of Police and Clerk of the Market, prays for the grant of a pension. He details the duties of the kotwal's office.	505-7
26-11-12	Chintadripet Temple Purchase of lands from. The Collector is authorized to purchase for Pag. 80 the land belonging to the temple which is required for military purposes.	521-3

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5-12-12	Land Custom House New site proposed. The Collector proposes 3 sites, but he is of opinion that wherever it may be built, inconvenience is bound to be caused to some people. He therefore suggests that a chowki may be built on each of the principal roads leading into Madras.	525-43
10-12-12	Boatmen House-sites in Rayapuram. According to the recommendations of the Marine Board the Collector is directed to consult the Master Attendant and the Superintending Engineer regarding the site to be allotted to the boatmen in Rayapuram, instead of the present site which they occupy near the Black Town wall. They may be given some help towards erecting new huts. People other than boatmen should not be allowed to build there.	545-58
28-12-12	Batavia Arrack Import duty proposals. Government direct the Board to draft a regulation for imposing an import duty of 30 fanams per gallon on Batavia arrack. The excise tax on country arrack should be raised to make it as clear as Batavia arrack. The Collector of Sea Customs will register all imports of spirituous liquors. The Collector of Madras will purchase a sufficient quantity for selling to the retail vendors. He will add the duty to the price of the liquor when selling it.	557-90

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5-1-1813	De Fries, Mr. Adrian Application for a grant. From Mr. Deale. He states that houses for which Mr. De Fries requires a grant were regularly assigned to him by Mrs. Occana David as the administratrix of the estates of Mrs. Anna David and Sarquis David.	1
21-3-13	Assignment of Lands Renewal fees—Proposals. The Collector proposes that a notification may be published to the effect that the sum of Pag. 30 will be demanded of the people in possession of the land at the end of every 30 years and a sum of Pag. 100 at the end of the lease.	5-20
15-4-13	Marine Yard Removal from present site. On the recommendation of the Board of Trade, Government direct the Collector to acquire the land necessary for the Marine yard, immediately south of the Justices' office on the beach.	21-5
13-5-13	St. Thomas' Mount Military prison—Land required for.	27-30
26-5-13	The Military Board requires land at the Mount to build a special prison for solitary confinement. The Collector reports that 14 grounds are available on the top of the Mount but that such a building would be inconvenient to the pilgrims.	41-4
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Girls' School		
24-5-13	Assignment of land in Black Town. 1. Some of the European inhabitants apply for a piece of ground adjoining the Chapel in the Black Town, to construct a school for girls on it.	81-40
28-6-13	2. The Collector recommends that the land may be assigned.	
St. Thomas' Mount		
7-6-13	Church property. From the Board. The Collector is directed to furnish a plan of the whole of the hill showing the boundaries of lands which he considers to belong to the Church.	45
Powder Mill		
28-6-13	Kistnama Naick's claims. The Collector reports that the evidence of one of the principal mirasidars and the conicoply is contradictory and clearly proves that the land to which Kistnama Naik lays a claim was purchased long after the powder mill was built. The mirasidars have induced him to antedate his bill of sale and sue the Company.	47-58
Triplicane Fishermen		
6-9-13	Quit-rent—Exemption. The fishermen of Triplicane pray for an exemption from quit-rent. The Board of Trade recommends the exemption on the ground that they are very useful to the Company in times of pressure. The Collector is therefore directed to stop levying the quit-rent and to report upon their claims.	69-86
Quit-rent		
20-9-13	Powers to enforce. Government direct that no grants for land should be made pending the reply of the Company's Law Officers regarding the means of enforcing the payment of quit-rent.	87-94
Triplicane Temple		
25-8-13	Allowances to Brahmins. From the Board. The Collector is ordered to state whether the allowances of Matradanam, Stapanam and Punyahavachanam go to the Archakah, or to them and to the Paricharkah in equal shares.	63
Triplicane Fishermen		
26-9-13	Quit-rent—Exemption. The Collector represents that the site occupied by the Kuppam originally belonged to the Triplicane pagoda and that Government are paying Pag. 300 per annum to the pagoda on account of this and other lands and gardens near the beach. He does not consider that their services are ordinarily required by the Company, and does not recommend their exemption from quit-rent. Further they have ceased to do the duties at the temple for which they were granted exemption.	95-110
Triplicane Temple		
30-9-13	Right to allowances—Amin's opinion. The Collector informs the Outer Provincial Court that the Amin of the Pagoda reports that Triplicane is a 'Vaishnava stalam' and that the allowances are due to the 'Archakah' only.	111-3

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12-10-13	Girls' School	115-22
	Assignment of land in Black Town. Government order the assignment of the land adjacent to the Black Town Chapel to the European inhabitants, for building a girl's school. The land will be resumed if required for a more important public purpose.	
29-10-13	Triplicane Fishermen	133-52
	Quit-rent—Exemption. 1. Government consider that the Collector was wrong in recovering by distraint quit-rent for 12 years from the fishermen on the ground that they refused to perform duties at the pagoda. They direct that the property so distrained should be returned to them. The Board of Trade will enquire into their misconduct. 2. This and similar instances show that it is highly necessary to enact a regulation to define the powers of the Collector of Madras.	
13-11-13	3. The Collector replies that in no case did he recover the quit-rent for 12 years. He also states that the fishermen had been neglecting their duties for a number of years and that when the demand was made it was, as usual, made for 12 years.	153-60
10-1-14	Batavia Arrack	161-84
	Import duty. 1. The Government of Ceylon represent that the import duty of Pag. 100 per leaguer newly imposed upon Batavia arrack will press hardly on the people in Ceylon who have been for a long time engaged in the trade. 2. Government reply that their intention was only to prevent the introduction of foreign spirits and that whereas formerly an excise duty was levied at the time of consumption, an import duty somewhat less than the excise duty has been introduced now. The measure is also intended to prevent dealers from defrauding Government by avoiding payment of the excise duty.	
7-2-14	Orphan Asylum	185-6
	Grant of land by Government. From the subscribers of the Charity School. They apply for a grant for the lands allotted by the Government in the Black Town for an orphan asylum.	
28-3-14	Military	203-9
	Timber depot. The Collector is directed to report if there is any objection to allotting a piece of ground lying to the south of the granary and immediately to the north of Messrs. Pugh & Co., for the purpose of forming a timber depot required by the Military Board.	
2-5-14	Land Custom House	211-32
	Removal to new site. The Board proposes that the building rented for the cutchery may be purchased and along with the adjoining lands be utilised for erecting a new land custom house etc. The old building may be demolished. The land may be left vacant or it may be utilized for erecting a row of stalls which will be rented by the merchants. The chief points to be considered in choosing a site are the convenience of the merchants and of the inhabitants. Government direct the Collector to consult the Superintending Engineer and select the best site. He should also report on the advisability of disposing of the ground by sale.	

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	Pensions	
7-7-14	Madhava Row, Canangoe. The Board directs that the pension of Pag. 25 per mensem paid to the eldest son of Madhava Row should be divided in future between his two sons. The younger son is legally entitled to a half of the pension.	247-60
	Arrack	
20-7-14	Custody of. The Collector proposes that the arrack required by the Revenue Department may also be placed under the custody of the Commissary General in order to avoid the confusion that arises by part of it being under the Collector and part under the Commissary General.	285-76
	Boundary of Madras	
21-7-14	Proposed alteration. The Collector proposes that the northern boundary of Madras may be altered so as to include the village of Manali. This will prevent the smuggling of arrack and toddy from Chingleput district.	277-84
	Chintadripet Shrotriyamdar	
8-8-14	Arrears due to. To Mr. Flower, Collector of Assessment. There is only a sum of Pag. 12 due to the shrotriyamdar from the cutcherry.	285
	Parkinsonia Cultivation	
29-8-14	Near powder mill. The Collector is directed to transfer to the Military Board the ground adjoining the Powder Mill for the purpose of cultivating 'Parkinsonia.'	297-302
	Poligar's Pension	
15-9-14	Teagappa Naick. The Board represents that Teagappa Naick's father did not hold any inams by virtue of his father and that he has no right for the inams held by his grandfather Pedda Naick who was dismissed for abetting robbers. On the abolition of the post of poligar, Teagappa Naick was granted a pension of Pag. 100 per month, which is much more than what he would have derived from his office. Government therefore refuse to enhance the pension.	303-20
	Dutch Pensions	
26-10-14	Statement of.	325-7
	Revenue Defaulters	
14-11-14	Escape to Madras. The Collector of Chingleput should issue his own warrant for the apprehension of defaulters, who escape to Madras, and forward it to the Collector of Madras.	337-44

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Mullick-ul-Nissa Begam

9-1-1815 Daughter of Nawab Walaja—Claims to lands on the South Beach. 1-23

1. The lands claimed by Her Highness are now occupied partly by the buildings of Messrs. Parry & Lane, partly by the road and sea-shore and partly lie waste. They appear to have been assigned by the Nawab to Mr. Latour in 1797 for Pag. 10,000. The Nawab's title itself was doubtful. Messrs. Parry & Lane therefore came to a compromise with Government for the portion occupied

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	Mullick-ul-Nissa Begam—cont. by them. In 1804 all claimants to the lands were directed to set forth their claims, but none came forward. Government therefore referred the present claim to the Advocate-General who said that Her Highness had some title to the land not enough to make Government surrender it unconditionally. Upon this Her Highness had petitioned that the claim may be settled by arbitration. The Collector is directed to investigate more particularly into the titles.	
3-2-15 2-7-15	2. The Collector is unable to find out how the land came into the possession of Government. He cannot recommend the claim.	33-43 153-6
25-1-15	Olive's Battery Plan of.	29-31
9-2-15	Arrack Custody of. Government direct that the Commissary General should keep in his custody all the arrack required for the Civil department and the Collector should receive from him from time to time what is required for general consumption.	45-52
16-3-15	Arrack Smuggling Abetment by Customs servants. 1. The Collector submitted three cases in which large quantities of arrack were seized in the course of evading the payment of duty. The Board directs him to levy double duty on the excess quantities. 2. It remarks that though the Sea Customs department is not under its control, yet it is necessary to invite the attention of Government to these frauds so that care may be taken to prevent such abuses as are abetted by the customs servants.	57-72
20-2-15	Quit-rent Equalization of rates.	53-5
18-3-15	1. The Collector answers the several questions put to him by the Board. 2. Old titles were called in in the year 1800 and Company's grants given instead. There is no mention of equalizing the quit-rent in the correspondence relating to this subject. The rate for lands within the Black Town held under certificates is higher than outside the Black Town. 3. Pag. 1½ per cawni is the present rate. Wet lands should be assessed at Pag. 2 according to the principle of Sami Naick. Exceptions ought to be made in sandy and unproductive areas. The practice of equalizing the quit-rent seems to have been begun in the time of Sami Naick who must certainly have had the orders of the Board for doing so.	75-84
18-3-15	Powder Mill Kistnama Naik's suit for compensation.	85-90
15-4-15	1. Kistnama Naick has brought an action against the Honourable Company. He bases his right to the land on a sale-deed given to him by the mirasidars of Perambur in 1890, but the Collector has reason to believe that Nedumbarai, in which this land is situated, was the inam of the Poligar of Madras and the mirasidars of Perambur were only the cultivators of that land. Therefore he calls for the settlement report of Nedumbarai etc. 2. The trial has been postponed. Meanwhile the Collector submits that the matter may be brought to the notice of Government on account of the great value of the land.	91-102

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Arrack Smuggling			
24-4-15	From Pondicherry. A large quantity of arrack was seized on the way from Pondicherry to Madras. The parties first obtained permission to send 4 casks to Cuddalore but from thence they were sent to Madras as 'brandy' which pays only import duty. Thus they tried to evade the excise duty of Pag. 125 per leaguer. The Collectors of Madras and South Arcot should take steps to find out the parties concerned in the smuggling and prosecute them in the Zillah Court, if possible.		113-32
15-5-15	—Mr. Grant's petition. The Board directs the Collector to inform Mr. Grant that it had been more lenient than usual in his case and that he must pay the double duty imposed upon the arrack smuggled with his knowledge. He should also be severely warned.		139-52
Arrack Sales			
5-7-15	Retail—renting of. The Collector proposes that the sale of the country arrack may be farmed out by divisions. The quantity of Colombo arrack that is in the possession of individuals may be purchased by Government and placed under the custody of the Commissary General. According to the proposed system of renting the renter is different from the manufacturer, which was not the case in the previous system of renting.		157-62
14-9-15	—Prevention of illicit sale. The Deputy Collector in charge represents that the provisions of Reg. I of 1813 do not authorize the punishment of people who sell arrack illicitly. The Regulation provides only for punishing the licensed vendors. There is, however, a large and illicit sale of arrack obtained for the use of invalids as well as that brought in clandestinely from Chingleput. He therefore proposes that the regulation may be amended with a view to preventing illicit sale and the consequent loss of revenue to the licensed vendors.		177-86
21-9-15	—Supply by the Commissary General—Proposals.		187-91
6-10-15	The Commissary General informs the Deputy Collector in charge that he usually keeps a stock of 600 leaguers for the consumption of the public and that this quantity is issued from time to time on indents signed by the Collector. The prime cost including wastage and charges of storing may be about 9 fanams per gallon. Accounts are adjusted periodically by the Accountant-General.		193-7
16-10-15	The Collector is directed to report how many shops there are beyond the limits of the Supreme Court but within the bounds of the Land Custom Mettoos.		205-12
30-11-15	—Retail vend—Terms of licence. Licence cowles should be issued on stamp paper of the first class. Licence for shops should be on unstamped paper. Renters should state how many shops they are willing to have outside the limits of the Supreme Court and when they have agreed to a certain number they should not be allowed to increase it. He should also state the minimum price at which he proposes to sell in those shops. There should be a clause in the licence to hold the renter responsible for any disorderly behaviour that may be found to prevail in his shops. Renters should be obliged to purchase only at the Company's fixed distilleries.		217-24

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4-12-15	Collector of Madras Salary and commission—Orders of the Court of Directors. The Court of Directors do not approve of the salary and commission of the Collector of Madras exceeding Pag. 7,500 per annum, which is the maximum that the Collector of an unsettled district may receive. Similarly the salary and commission of the Deputy Collector should be equal to that of an Assistant Collector in an unsettled district.	225-48
8-12-15	Brazil Rum Import—Remarks. The Collector represents to the Board that a quantity of 'Brazil rum' has been imported by Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co., and that it is sold at a price considerably below that of Batavia arrack. Since Reg. I of 1813 relates only to spirits made to the east of the Cape of Good Hope its provisions are not applicable to Brazil rum.	247-51
21-12-15	St. Thomas' Mount Assignment of land—Capt. Rudyard's application. In connection with the application of Capt. Rudyard for a piece of land within the limits of the cantonment of the Mount, the Board forwards to the Collector a copy of its proceedings dealing with the rights of zamindars and inhabitants to their lands within the limits. The mere act of marking out the boundary limits does not vest the right to the lands within the bounds in Government. Compensation must be made to the persons who have been holding it on legitimate titles. Therefore the Collector is ordered to state whether the land now required by Capt. Rudyard is Government property or not.	253-76
11-4-16	Choultries Endowment of—Singanna Chetty's proposals.	277-98
16-4-16	The Board recommends to Government the proposal of a wealthy Madras merchant named Singanna Chetty to endow permanently with Rs. 10,000 each of his choultries at Madras, Conjeeveram, Chittoor and Benares. Government praise the motive of the donor but refuse to receive an irredeemable loan without the permission of the Court of Directors. Meanwhile the Accountant-General is empowered to receive Rs. 30,000 for the use of the three choultries in the Madras Presidency. The Collectors in the several districts will forward the interest on these sums to the persons in charge of the choultries. Regarding the choultry at Benares the Supreme Government will be consulted at once. Government express their willingness to show Singanna Chetty a mark of their approbation of his endowment.	
2-6-16	Quit-rent Farming—Collection of—Proposals.	299-356
27-6-16	1. In order to avoid loss of revenue by embezzlement on the part of the conicopies who collect the quit-rent and the servants in the Collector's office, the Collector of Madras proposes that the quit-rent of the Black and White towns within the walls may be farmed out as an experimental measure. The bidders may either undertake to pay in what they agree to pay irrespective of their collections, or they may produce the unpaid bills and claim a remission to that extent. There will be no room for rack-renting because the renters are provided with bills for the amount due by each inhabitant and, therefore, cannot claim more than what is due. 2. The Board agrees to this measure and directs the Collector to call for tenders.	

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4-7-16	Wells—Proposed sinking of. 1. The Collector represents that the people of Madras suffer great hardship owing to the lack of a sufficient quantity of drinking water. He therefore proposes 27 sites for digging wells at a cost of Pag. 100 each. He gives a description of the soil which is in most of the places suitable for sinking wells. The expenses may be met from the funds of the lottery.	357-72
16-8-16	2. Government approve the scheme and place the work in charge of the Road Committee.	377-81
	Quit-rent	
14-10-16	Collections—Amildar's signature on bills. Messrs. Arbuthnot Demonte & Co. and Binny & Co., complained that the Collector's peon gave them bills signed by the Amildar and not by the Collector as usual. After consulting the Board, Government ordered the Collector to make his own arrangements to recover the quit-rent, provided there was no room to defraud Government or to call in question the legality of the acquittance.	401-9
	Land Custom House	
2-11-16	Provision of new building—Proposals. The Collector, in consultation with the Superintending Engineer proposes that the present Naval Hospital buildings may be converted into a suitable land custom house and that at a very moderate expense. The site of the present land custom house may then be utilised as hutting ground for the sepoys who occupy the esplanade at present and cause great inconvenience thereby.	413-9
	Jurisdiction	
10-12-16	Collector's magisterial powers—Scope of Reg. No. IX of 1816.	421-30
17-12-16	Replying to certain doubts raised by the Collector, the Commission of the Revision of the Judicial System state that the new regulation does not add to the Collector's powers and that he should be guided by Reg. XIX of 1808. All breaches of the revenue laws which may occur outside the limits of the Supreme Court should be dealt with by the Collector of Chingleput. The office of the Zillah Magistrate belongs to the Collector of Territorial Revenue and not to the Collector of Customs or Licence.	

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	Stamp Act	
17-3-17	Introduction proposed.	7-28
18-7-17	1. Government direct the Collector to consult the Superintendent of Stamps and the Law officers with a view to submitting proposals regarding the expediency of introducing a Stamp Act within the limits of the Supreme Court. 2. The Collector proposes that part of Reg. XIII of 1816 which relates to money papers, contracts, transfers of real and personal property etc., should be made applicable to Madras also. It is notorious that the inhabitants of Madras	

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	contribute much less to the public revenue than the inhabitants of the districts. Therefore the introduction of a stamp duty is only just. Persons who exercise certain professions and traders such as those of shroffs, pawn brokers, auctioneers etc., should be made to take licences on stamp paper.	
	3. With regard to law papers the Collector is of opinion that the expenses of litigation are already very high in Madras and that any additional duty will make it more difficult for the poorer people to apply to the law courts for justice. The propriety of levying a stamp duty before a case is decided has also to be considered.	
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30-3-19	Singana Chetty Application for grant—Orders upon. From the Board. 1. It should be ascertained whether there will be any loss to the Government by the exchange of his lands in Vyasarpadi. The Collector should state the amount hitherto paid as quit-rent by the mirasdars for the lands which are proposed to be granted to Singana Chetty. 2. A grant is issued in his name.	225-7
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9-9-19	New Market Site—Proposals for. 1. The Committee for providing a new market place suggests that the site of the old Land Custom House may be utilised for building a new market, in preference to two other sites recommended by the Military Board etc. 2. The present Infirmary Lines are too near the Government House and are already in demand for the more important use of the Governor's Bodyguard. The proposal to utilise the present buildings of the Female Infirmary is also equally impracticable because they cannot be converted into a market without great expense. The Committee believe that when the old market is sold it will fetch a price which will cover the expenses of the new one. 3. They therefore consider the site of the Land Custom House to be the most eligible for this purpose. They do not support the proposals submitted by Mr. Spottiswoode, the Collector and Member of the Committee to remove the old market to a site within the Black Town itself. They do not consider the objections raised against the proposed site to be serious.	253-314
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15-5-20	Customs Duty Articles of foreign trade—Reduction proposed. Government approve the proposals submitted by the Collector of Sea Customs and the Board of Trade regarding a general reduction of duty on all articles of foreign trade, and the drawback to be allowed on cotton piece-goods and sugar exported on British or Asiatic vessels. The aggregate rates of duty including the inland and the export duty should not exceed the rates mentioned in the table appended to the new rules. The difference between the rate and the amount actually paid will have to be made good.	343-71
28-9-20	Capuchin Church Alienation of lands—Complaint of.	379-88
7-9-20	The Capuchin Padres complain to the Board that the Collector has assigned certain lands belonging to the church to some Christians without taking into consideration the claims of the church. The Collector is therefore directed to obtain their statement before passing final orders. The Collector reports that the lands were given by general consent and that the Christians have the best title to the church and land.	417-8
21-12-20	Triplicane Fishermen Quit-rent—Exemption from. On the recommendation of the Board of Trade, Government grant an exemption from quit-rent to the fishermen belonging to the Coopams at Triplicane on the condition that all of them will be under the immediate control of the Master Attendant.	391-5
20-4-20	Town Pagoda Lands—Improper alienation of. To the Board. The Collector reports upon a petition presented by Tambiappah Mudali, the warden of the temple, complaining of the sale of a piece of land belonging to the temple to Srinivasayyan, one of the temple servants. The sale was	397-406

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23-11-20	Capuchin Church Land dispute. The Collector reports that the Capuchin Padres and the Christian inhabitants do not come to an amicable settlement among themselves. As the Collector's office has discharged its duties in a regular manner on the documents produced by the parties the Collector has no further right to interfere in the matter which is purely ecclesiastical and not revenue.	423-0
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30-8-92	Arrears—Write off. The Board passes orders directing the relinquishment where demands on account of quit-rent. Among these are the ordin and houses owned by H.H. the Nawab. No demand per made in future on account of them but in order to prevent frauds a list must be obtained from the Nawab stating all his houses and lands.	5-20
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	Military Bazaar	
22-8-20	H.M. 34th Rt.—Allotment of land for. To the Board. The Collector proposes that the site of the old Land Custom House may be allotted for the bazaar.	2-3
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25-8-20	Revision proposals.	4-5
15-9-20	The Collector proposes that when new grants are issued or when old ones are renewed the quit-rent should be revised according to the present value of the property, i.e., 10 fanams per 100 pagodas.	25-6
	Customs Tariff	
26-8-20	Articles of foreign manufacture—Proposals. As several articles of foreign manufacture are imported over-land from Pondicherry the Collector proposes that they may be included in the Land Custom House tariff, and not merely in the Sea Customs tariff.	6-7
	Salt Cotaurs	
26-8-20	Danger from the surf. To the Board. “As the surf still gains on the shore” salt will in future be landed at Royapuram and then carried directly to the Cotaurs at Iroongunram.	7

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6-9-20	The Collector reports that the servants of the Salt department	27-8
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	Arrack Sales	
8-9-20	Police restrictions—Complaint of. The arrack renters having complained of great losses suffered by them on account of the police restriction regarding the sale of liquor to be drunk outside the shop, the Collector represents that the Police Regulations and their cowle are at variance. He therefore proposes that the Police Regulations may be amended so as to permit the vendors to pass out liquor.	19-21
	Tobacco Smuggling	
27-9-20	Prevention proposals. Certain tobacco merchants complain that they experience great loss on account of the large quantity of tobacco that is smuggled into Madras. They request that the Collectors of Chingleput, Nellore and Cuddalore may be instructed to issue rowanahs only as far as Roshanagaram which is 20 miles from Madras. The Collector proposes to appoint a permanent establishment of pygusties on Pag. 2 per mensem to prevent smuggling. He also proposes that in order to induce the merchants to sell their stock at a reasonable price, he may purchase a quantity on account of Government and retail it.	32-4
	Mortgages	
30-9-20	Of personal property—Registration of proposals.	36-7
1-11-20	Several inhabitants of Madras having represented to the Collector that mortgage of jewels and other personal property may be registered by him, he proposes to the Board that the system may be introduced and the registration done by the staff who now register mortgages of landed property. He submits rates of fees.	59-60
	Poligar Fees	
30-9-20	Abolition proposed. The Collector represents that a fee of 3 fanams was levied along with the quit-rent from the natives of the Black Town as poligar fees and that it has continued to be collected even after the office of poligar was abolished. He proposes that no demand may be made in future on this account.	57-8
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2-10-20	Amildar of Egmore etc.—Report. The Deputy reports that the Amildar of Egmore and his subordinate have completely neglected their duties. The Collector therefore recommends that they may be dismissed.	41-4
	St. Thomas' Mount	
14-10-20	Additional peons—Appointment proposed. To the Board. The force at the Mount is unable to put down the practice of gang smuggling which is carried on there. The Collector proposes to appoint ten more peons.	50
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10-10-20	Cloths—Evasion of—Report.	47-50
18-10-20	The Collector reports an instance in which Mr. Rutlar evaded payment of duty on several pieces of cloth purchased by him from contractors. He represents that this is the result of abolishing the system of chopping the cloths in the weaver's looms and holding them responsible for the duty. Since the	52-4
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27-10-20	Macdonald, Maj. J. Refusal to pay quit-rent. To the Board. The Collector reports that the Major refuses to pay quit-rent for his house on the south bank of the Adyar, situated within the limits of St. Thomé.	56-7
1-11-20	Revenue Servants Collector's establishment—People drawing more than Rs. 35—Statement.	65
10-11-20	Foreign Spirits Excise duty—Increase proposed. The Collector represents that owing to the reduced amount on rum and brandy imported from America the arrack renters are suffering great losses. Batavia arrack is sold at 40 to 45 fanams per gallon while rum and brandy from America are sold at 25 to 30 fanams. As the latter are very bad for the health it is necessary to restrict their sale by raising the excise duty on these liquors to the level of the duty on Batavia arrack.	66-7
11-11-20	Nyniappa Naik St. Maj. DeHavilland—Encroachment—Report.	
16-11-20	The Collector represents that Maj. DeHavilland has enclosed a piece of ground in Nyniappa Naik street, for keeping his bullocks. As the land is under the custody of the Collector he requests that the Board may interfere in the matter and direct Maj. DeHavilland to relinquish it.	68-72
18-10-20	Temple Funds Supervision. To the Board. When a temple owns any Government promissory notes they may be drawn out in the name of the Collector and the Warden jointly in order that they may not be misused by the latter.	72
20-11-20	Customs Duty Cloths—Collection proposals. The Collector reports that the abolition of the system of issuing pass chits has greatly facilitated evasion of duty. If the Board is still of opinion that the system is illegal, steps should be taken to make it lawful because that is the most satisfactory method of collecting the entire duty on cloth and it has been the practice for quite a long time. As for the corruption of native servants, that applies to all branches of the revenue and not merely to this system.	74-7
27-11-20	—Embroidered cloths—Proposals. The Collector considers that it is but just that embroidered cloth should be taxed even if the plain cloth has been taxed in the first instance. The case is similar to that of taxing white cloth before dyeing and taxing it again after dyeing.	81-2
2-12-20	Pundi Jaghirdar Pension—Distribution of. As the different members of the family do not come to an amicable settlement among themselves, the Collector proposes that the pension may be distributed according to the nature of their relationship to the late jaghirdar. As the family has no right to the pension, Government are at liberty to divide it in any manner they like.	85-7

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1-5-21	The European merchants complain that it will be a hardship to them if they are forced to bring their cloths to the Land Customs House instead of the Collector deputing a person to visit their godowns and chop the pieces. The Collector represents that it is highly undesirable to depute a man on a low salary to do this duty which is full of temptation. Besides, if the privilege is given to the Europeans, the native merchant also will claim it.	213-4
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27-11-20	Restoration of lands to. To the Board. The Collector explains how certain lands belonging to the family near Clive's canal which was then undivided came into the Company's possession. He recommends that the portion belonging to Soncu Rama may be returned to him. The property consists of extensive salt pans.	82-4
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18-12-20 30-12-20	Land Customs Cloths—Divided pieces—Report. There is a practice among merchants to divide a piece of cloth into two or more pieces in order to evade the payment of the higher duty on pieces worth more than Pag. 20 per corga. In such cases it has been the practice to couple them for the purpose of calculating the duty. The Collector is of opinion that the practice is just and prevents frauds.	98-102 107-9
11-1-21	Assignment of Land Issue of grants—Remarks. 1. The practice of issuing grants to the natives for lands outside the limits of the Supreme Court has existed since 1795. The Collector sees no objection to continuing it as it is beneficial both to Government and the people. The long term of the lease is not a disadvantage. Applications for less than a cawnie outside the limits are not usually received. 2. The Collector forwards a list of the correspondence relating to the authority under which grants and certificates are issued.	115-23
24-1-21	Macdonald, Maj. J. Refusal to pay quit-rent. To the Board. The land originally belonged to the Nawab who had built house upon it. It was later on presented by him to Col. Copper, his secretary, who subsequently transferred it to Dr. Mackenzie. No quit-rent has been paid since 1808. As Maj. Macdonald is the present proprietor of the land he is responsible for the payment of arrears due upon it.	129-30
1-2-21	Anderson's Garden Quit-rent—Proposals. The Collector proposes that the botanical gardens of Dr. Anderson may be assessed with quit-rent as they have ceased to be utilised for the original purpose for which remission was allowed. The gardens were divided among several people after Dr. Anderson's departure.	131-2
1-2-21 2-2-21	Salt Cotaurs Repair—Chief Engineer's objections. The Collector reports that the Chief Engineer has prevented him from completing the repair of the Salt Cotaurs on the ground that they injure the Esplanade. He describes the nature of the repairs and the new works and explains that they cannot injure the Esplanade.	133-7
10-2-21	Mr. Rankin's Lands Near Mount Road—Purchase. To the Board. The Collector considers that it is not necessary to purchase from Mr. Rankin the lands behind his shop which are declared by the Superintending Engineer to be a source of nuisance. Two drains may be constructed on each side of the Triplicane Street that runs parallel to the Government garden wall. The water will then find its way into the old drain instead of into the land behind the shop.	141

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24-2-21	Pundi Jaghirdar Pension—Distribution statement. The Collector forwards a statement showing the distribution of the pensions payable to the various members of the jaghirdar's family. He requests orders as to the terms on which the pensions are to be enjoyed, whether for life only or to be hereditary.	151-3
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7-3-21 24-3-21	Irrigation Repairs Proposals. The Collector represents that all the tanks in the vicinity of Madras are badly in need of repair and that they must either be repaired properly or relinquished. He proposes that the Mylapore tank may be repaired but that the tanks at Egmore and Nungambakam may be drained. In that event there will be no paddy cultivation in these two places but the same amount of revenue will be realised by permitting the cultivation of vegetables and allotment of sites for building houses.	158-60 179-84
7-3-21	Chintadripet Shrotriyam—Resumption proposals. The shrotriyam was granted in 1787 to Mangapathy Naik on condition of his paying Pag. 30 to Government and utilising the quit-rent of the pettah towards the expenses of the temple. But latterly all the collections have been misappropriated and the temple is in a state of ruin. The original purpose for which the cowle was given is no longer achieved. Therefore the Collector proposes that the usual quit-rent may be levied on all the lands in the pettah.	161-2
16-3-21	Land Customs Piece-goods tariff—Abolition proposals. The Collector represents that the appraisers are not in the habit of valuing the cloths according to the sorts mentioned in the tariff because it is always difficult to sort them satisfactorily. Therefore he proposes that the practice of preparing tariffs may be discontinued.	170-1

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21-3-21	London Missionary Society House in Davidson Street—Exemption from quit-rent. To the Board. The Collector recommends that the request of the missionaries to exempt the house from quit-rent may be complied with as it is a place of public worship and is used as a charity school.	173-4
31-3-21	Land Customs Search warrants—Proposals. Several people evade payment of duty on laced cloths etc. made and sold within the town. Therefore unless the Collector is permitted to issue search-warrants it will not be possible to detect them because these articles are removed from place to place at night.	185-7
20-4-21	Tobacco Regularity of supply—Remarks. The Board having observed that the revenue derived from tobacco varies considerably from month to month, the Collector explains that it does not indicate an irregular supply of the commodity. There are various external circumstances which regulate the supply of every commodity. Sometimes the market is overstocked. The only way to compare the monthly receipts is to compare them with the corresponding months of the previous years.	204-7
28-4-21	Spottiswoode, Mr. Hugh Late Collector—Arrears of salary. To the Board. Singana Chetty, who has been appointed by the Supreme Court as administrator to the late Mr. Spottiswoode's estate, has claimed the arrears of salary due to that gentleman.	212
30-4-21	Anderson's Garden Purchase by Mr. Garrow. To the Board. The Collector applies for the copy of the grant or cowle that was originally given to Dr. Anderson. Mr. Garrow has purchased some of the lands.	213
15-5-21	Temples Monthly endowment statement.	223-4
17-5-21	Murray, The Hon. L. G. K. Collector—Disrespect to the Board. To the Board. Mr. Murray expresses his regret that the Government should have "observed with regret the freedom of Mr. Murray's remarks upon the orders of his superiors and in particular" to be "displeased at his frequent appeal to the Government upon points which the Board of Revenue are competent to decide." He states, however, that the Board has not always complied with his request to bring several subjects before the Government.	227
23-5-21	Betel, Ganjah etc. Farming proposals.	232-4
6-6-21	The Collector represents that there is a fall of revenue under this head under the amani system due to the conspiracy between the betel gardeners and their brokers who import much less than what is required and enhance the price of the leaves. He therefore proposes that the duty may be farmed out on the condition that the renter shall import 5,000 bundles daily and sell them at 2½ fanams for the first sort and 2 fanams the second.	247-8

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8-6-21	On the request of the renters the Collector recommends that their lease may be extended to 5 years on a somewhat higher rent. They have been very regular in their payments. The renting of both Batavia and pattai arrack to the same person prevents disputes.	251-2
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4-6-21	Storage near the Beach—Proposals.	241
17-8-21	The Collector represents that the Master Attendant desires that about 100 garces of salt may be kept in a godown near the beach for supplying ships. As there is great delay in sending the salt from the cotours the Collector proposes that the method may be adopted. No rent will be paid for the godown.	336-8
	Eye Infirmary	
4-6-21	Supply of water to. To the Board. Mr. Richardson, the Superintendent of the Eye-Infirmary, has been permitted to have access to a well which is in the ground of the Collector's cutcherry. This ground was formerly Mr. Dent's garden.	243
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7-6-21	To the Board. Before the Collector could restore the lands of Suncu Rama, several other members of the family represented to him that the lands belong to the family jointly and not to Suncu Rama alone. The Collector considers that their claims are just because the property is said to have been "given by Government as a boon" to the whole family "from an idea that by the Government having occupied the land an injustice had been done to the whole family."	249-50
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6-6-21	Shrotyam—Quit-rent—Advocate-General's opinion. The Advocate-General is of opinion that since the sum of Pag. 30 has been paid annually, there is no justification for demanding quit-rent from the houses in the village. But the general assessment for cleaning, repairing the streets etc., may be levied without infringing the terms of the cowle.	250-1
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13-8-21	From the Board. 1. "Such expense should only be incurred in opening the bar at the mouth of the Adyar as in your opinion is necessary to prevent damage from an overflow of the waters of that river." 2. Mr. Hodgson of "Cotoor House" has opened the bar at his own expense because the river became dangerously high.	289-90
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15-11-21	The Collector is directed to explain why he has adopted the practice of requisitioning the aid of the Police in escorting smugglers to the Magistrate's Court instead of sending them with his peons. Government accept the Collector's explanation, viz., that the Police are requisitioned only when they have to give evidence.	312
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	On the recommendation of the Justices in Sessions the Collector was ordered to prepare a list of the buildings etc., which are exempted from quit-rent according to Indian usage. The statement forwarded by the Collector was considered to be defective inasmuch as it did not clearly show the grounds of exemption. The statement is ordered to be revised. The Collector should also consult the law officers whether 'grounds' without buildings upon them are also eligible for exemption according to the Statute.	
	Salt Depot	
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	Government approve the proposal of the Board to establish a depot for salt for export to Bengal. The depot will be under the control of the Collector of Madras. The price of salt will be Rs. 26 per garce. The purchasers should make their own arrangements to ship the salt.	
	Triplicane Temple	
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	1. Certain Brahmins belonging to the Triplicane Pagoda complained that they were dismissed by the Durmakarta without any cause and that he is embezzling the funds of the pagoda. The Collector of Madras had ceased to check the accounts of the temples or interfere in any other way in the affairs of the temples, consequent on a law suit in which the Collector's interference was considered to be irregular. The Board now represents to Government that unless the Collector is vested with powers of controlling the temples their affairs are likely to be mismanaged.	
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	Land Customs	
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	Spence, Mr. William	
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	The suggestion made by Messrs. Harrington & Co. is sound. The distance of 85 feet from the sea already fixed is too small to prevent the danger from the surf during storms. The line may be "thrown back about 27 or 30 feet to the westward which is in the same line with the Cooper cutting belonging to Mr. Cochrane."	
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	2. On the recommendation of the Board, Government approve the arrangements made by the Superintendent and direct that the lands appropriated for military purposes may be temporarily rented. The banksalls on the South Beach should be pulled down by the Superintendent if the owners do not do so and the materials sold to recover the expenses.	
	Muhammadan Burial Ground	
8-5-02	Allotment of ground for. Several Mahomedans having represented to the Government that the peons of the Board have prohibited burying their dead in the usual place near the new Custom House, the Superintendent of the Company's lands is directed to allot a convenient spot of ground outside the walls of the Black Town.	206

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	2. The matter has been under litigation for a long time though the garden has been attached by Government, in the meanwhile, for arrears due by him. Just before Chinna Kisnama died he voluntarily relinquished his rights to the garden.	
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	Military Supplies	
25-1-02	St. Thomas' Mount—Fishermen's complaint. The fishermen belonging to the coopams of Cottyvaikum etc., who are set apart entirely for supplying the Mount with fish, complain that they are whipped by the sepoys whenever they fail to provide an adequate number of fish. The Committee of Police therefore inform the officer commanding at the Mount that this will prove very prejudicial to a regular supply of fish in future.	3
	Blyth, Mr. Thomas	
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	Scavenging	
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	2. The most important rules are the following: Every cart should be numbered and provided with 2 bullocks and one driver. Three codies should attend every 2 carts. All sorts of filth and rubbish should be removed from the streets to a convenient distance from the town. Brick canals or drains should be constructed to carry off all waste and stagnant water. Such drains should be kept clear of filth. People should be provided with latrines in suitable places.	
	3. The carts and drivers shall be kept at work from 6 to 12 and from 3 till it is dark. The animals set apart for this work by the contractor should not be utilised for any other purpose.	
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3-2-02	Abolition—Proposed.	17
5-2-02	The Police Committee propose to Government that since the collection are all made by native peons and conicopies a European Collector is unnecessary and the supervision of the Collector may be performed by the Committee themselves. Government accept the proposal. The Secretary to the Committee is appointed as Superintendent of Assessment with a commission of 2½ per cent. on the annual collections.	20
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	Fish	
12-3-02	Sale after 5-30—Fine for. The Police Committee direct the levy of a fine of ¼ of the price of all fish sold after 5-30 in the evening when the fish-market will be closed. This is expected to induce people to bring their fish to the market.	24
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13-4-02	Sale—Rules.	31
20-4-02	1. The market should be opened at 6 in the morning and closed at 9. Meat should be conveyed in covered baskets both by the butchers as well as the ordinary people. Servants deputed to go to the market will be provided with a list of the several articles purchased by them by the Superintending officer in order that they may not cheat their masters. 2. Blowing the meat is prohibited.	33
	Begging	
13-4-02	Prohibited in the streets. As people who are really poor are maintained by the church wardens in food and clothing, begging in the streets should not be allowed. All such persons should be taken to the Police office by the taliars, peons etc.	32
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5-11-02	Some fishermen belonging to Madras went to fish in a branch of the Ennore river near Vichoor. They were prevented from doing so by the people of the village. When the matter of the Karoongooly Zillah was referred to he said that the fishermen of Madras should be made to respect the rights of the fishermen in his district.	41
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	Brickfields	
8-12-02	Licence for manufacture—Rules. Every person who manufactures bricks etc., on the Company's grounds should have a licence. A licence is required for chunam kilns also. Applications for licences should be made to the Collector of Madras who will forward them to the Police Committee. The Public Works Department will have the authority to purchase the bricks they want, in preference to others. The tax to be paid by them is as follows: Pag. 3 per lakh of bricks, 2 for every lakh of tiles, $\frac{1}{4}$ pagoda for every kiln of pots and Pag. 3 for every kiln of chunam. The size of the bricks and other price will be regulated by the Committee.	47
	Rubbish Baskets	
31-12-02	Notification. A basket will be provided at each house into which all rubbish should be thrown. These baskets will be cleared by the scavengers. All persons are desired to throw out water before their doors at 4 o'clock.	63
	Carriages with Bells	
13-5-03	Prohibited—Police Committee's orders. As "many fatal accidents are occasioned upon the highways and in the streets within the town of Madras and its environs by the practice that has obtained among the native inhabitants of driving their hackneys with bells hanging thereto" the practice is to be discontinued under a penalty.	69
	Black Town Channel	
29-7-02	Obstructions—Complaints of. 1. The Police Committee represent to the officer superintending the Public Works that his department has choked up the channel carrying the waters of the Black Town across the Esplanade. They apprehend that Popham's Broadway is in danger of being undermined if the water is allowed to accumulate.	72
16-11-03	2. Mr. Cochrane represents to the Committee that a channel should be cut across the Esplanade in order that the mud and backwater may not damage the arched drains.	83
	Fraser, Lt.	
7-12-03	Public spirited offer. Lt. Fraser, the Superintending Engineer, who was recently appointed as a member of the Committee, volunteered to serve as the surveyor of Madras without emoluments in the place of Mr. Heeftee whom Mr. Cochrane and others proposed to appoint on Pag. 50 per month. Lt. Fraser declared that the appointment of an outsider was unnecessary and that all the members of the Committee should take upon themselves the task of keeping the roads, drains etc., in a state of good repair.	87

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18-6-05	Calatypettah Temple Management—Petition of inhabitants. The inhabitants request the Collector that Caunthaluru Parasurama Varadacharloo may be permitted to discharge the officer of churchwarden until the adopted son of the late Rayasum Parthasarathy Braminy, comes of age.	24
22-6-05	Salt Monopoly Mirasi manufacturers The Collector reports that the meerasi manufacturers have hitherto been paid 60 per cent. of the gross proceeds of the sale of salt produced within the Home Farms. Eringonum is the village where salt is manufactured.	29
13-7-05	Mylapore Temple Management—Regulations. The Board forwards to the Collector a copy of a report made by the Native Committee regarding the affairs of the Capaleswara temple at Mylapore and the rules framed by them for the management of the affairs of the temple. The Collector is directed to check the accounts submitted to him annually by the churchwarden and forward it to the Board.	30
17-7-05	Ashton, Mr. R. A. Refusal to pay subscription to the fencibles. From Mr. Ashton. He states that he has suffered heavy losses by the liquidation of Messrs. Brown, Ashton & Co. and that consequently he is unable to contribute to the support of the Madras fencibles.	49
..	Chinnery, Mr. George Refuses to pay subscription to the fencibles. From Mr. Chinnery. As he is not dependent upon the Company and as his circumstances are bad he is unable to contribute the monthly sum of Pag. 6.	57
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15-8-05	Anstruther, Mr. A. Proposes to sell his house in the Fort. From Mr. Anstruther. 1. Though he was unwilling to sell his house in St. Thomé street in the Fort two years ago when Government offered to purchase it he is now prepared to give it in exchange for the lands taken up by Messrs. Dalrymple and Greig on the beach.	60-1
28-8-05	2. If purchased by Government he wishes to be allowed to use it as an office in his capacity of Advocate-General.	76

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15-10-05	Poligars and Tookeries Emoluments. The Collector informs the Committee of General Police that he has no control over the poligars and their peons, called Tookeries, and that he is concerned only with the collection of certain fees levied on the houses in Black Town amounting annually to St. Pag. 325-12-60. He forwards a statement showing the emoluments of the poligars etc.	110
15-10-05	Blacker, Capt. Valentine House near the Long Tank. From the Board. The Collector is directed to state whether there is any objection to allowing Capt. Blacker to make an embankment in front of the house he is building, from earth taken from the bed of the tank.	115-6
8-11-05	-----To the Board. The embankment will be of great use.	132
22-9-05	Bullock Carts Regulations for driving etc. If a cart is found on the public roads without a driver, the owner shall be fined 3 fanams. Negligent driving should be punished with a fine of 2 fanams. If the bullocks are not provided with cord through the nostrils the driver shall be fined one fanam.	133
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21-12-05	Collector of Madras Appointed Justice of the Peace. From the Government. The Collector will in future "sit as a Justice of the Peace at the General Sessions of the Peace for the Town of Madraspatnam." (In addition to the above the volume contains a large number of applications for grant from Indian and European residents etc).	161

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5-2-1805	Sanitation—Petition of the inhabitants. The inhabitants pray that the Collector may take steps to keep the streets clear of filth. The Collector replies that they do not pay any assessment and that therefore there are no funds to clean the streets regularly. When the proposed assessment is levied the matter will be attended to.	4
	Monigar Choultry	
11-3-05	Valuation of buildings. From Mr. W. D. Brodie, Senior Chaplain. As a claim has been made for the value of the buildings which have for some years past been used by "the poor of the Parish" the Special Vestry of St. Mary's Church wishes to know the valuation that was put upon them in 1782 when all the "houses and huts similarly situated were ordered to be thrown down by Government."	7
	Tondiarpet	
29-4-05	Reduction—Application—Collector's remarks. Three inhabitants of Tondiarpettah complain that their lands are very unproductive and that they are unable to pay the quit-rent demanded from them. The Collector admits that the lands are marshy and that the water is brackish so that they cannot be cultivated. He therefore recommends a reduction of quit-rent from 1½ pagodas to ½ pagoda per cawnie.	42
	Land Acquisition	
4-5-05	New street on the beach. From the Town Major. 1. The Collector is to make a "valuation of the private property the purchase of which will be necessary for the purpose of making a street in the back of the new buildings upon the beach."	63
6-5-05	———Reply. 2. A statement showing the value of the lands to be acquired is forwarded. This improvement will enhance the value of the lands and houses in the vicinity. Consequently the cost of acquisition will be made up by the sale of the remaining lands.	63-7
	Suncu Rama	
7-11-04	Grant for lands issued. To Suncu Rama Chetty. The Collector sends him a Company's grant for ground allotted to him "in lieu of that used for Mr. Cochrane's canal." (In addition to the papers indexed, the volume contains several applications from European residents to be exempted from the payment of subscription to the Madras Fencible Corps. There are also applications for grants from Indian and European residents of Madras.)	87

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	Arrack	
10-3-06	Underselling by punch house-keepers—Complaints. 1. The country arrack divisioners addressed several petitions to the Collector and the Board complaining that the punch house-keepers were selling Batavia arrack at a price which was even less than the authorized price of country arrack. The Collector returned these petitions on the ground that no alterations could be made in the licences of the punch house-keepers until their licences expired. But the Board directs him to find out if they are underselling arrack to the loss of the arrack renters and if so to put a stop to that practice.	20
25-3-06	2. The Collector reports that Batavia arrack was dear and scarce some time ago, but that when a large quantity was imported its price fell from 100 pagodas to 40 pagodas. During the time of scarcity the country arrack sellers had a good sale, but when Batavia arrack became cheap their sales went down. It is possible to regulate the manufacture of country arrack, but it is not possible to regulate the purchase and sale of Batavia arrack. Perhaps the tax on punch houses may be increased in consideration of their increased sales. The underselling of arrack can be prevented only by inflicting a penalty of 20 pagodas per gallon of liquor sold below the prescribed rate.	35
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31-3-06	Arrack and toddy stills and shops—Statement of.	55
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2-4-06	Burial and burning grounds—Inhabitants' complaints.	65
10-4-06	Several inhabitants of Royapuram complained to the Justices that a burial and burning ground had been formed near their dwellings. The Collector on enquiry, found that it is only a pretext on the part of the mirasidars to acquire more of the lands in the vicinity, which were rapidly acquiring value.	68
	Lewcock, Mr.	
23-4-06	Estates—Administration of. From Mr. Tulloh. The Collector is requested to examine the title deeds of the several houses and lands belonging to the late Mr. Lewcock and to value them. The court has admitted the claims of the widows of Muthukrishna against the estate.	75-8
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22-5-06	2. Singaria Chetty proposes to exchange his house in the Fort for a ground in the beach north of the Custom House adjacent to his banksalls.	126-33

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17-6-06	Olive's Canal Compensation for lands—Arrears. To the Board. No compensation has been paid to the mirasidars of Tondiarpettah for 30 cawnis of ground taken from them for the canal. Seven cawnis have also been rendered useless by the construction of the canal.	175-6
19-6-06	Fish Markets on the Esplanade Objections to. From the Board. The Military Board objected that they were a source of danger to the fortification but the Government decided that they were not and that it would be enough if care is taken to see that they are constructed of flimsy materials.	179-82
16-7-06	Toddy Sale to renters—Refusal by toddy drawers.	197
25-7-06	The Collector reports that the toddy drawers have been dissuaded by some people from selling their toddy to the renters. The Magistrate refused to interfere in the matter. As there is a loss of about Pag. 80 per day, the Collector requests the early orders of the Board. The Board is unable to issue definite orders, but directs him to appeal to the Magistrate again.	212
18-7-06	Salt Manufacture Compensation for losses. The Board is of opinion that those who have suffered a loss by their salt pans having been rendered useless, have no right to any compensation because the manufacture of salt is prohibited under the salt regulations. They may apply to the General Agent for the Salt Monopoly who will give them a just compensation if he is satisfied that their interests have suffered.	210
30-7-06	Jamabandi Statement For f. 1215.	215
4-8-06	Toddy Sale to renters. 1. The Collector is advised to consult the Company's solicitor and conduct a prosecution by indictment against the principal offenders. 2. The Collector reports to the Board that he has persuaded 19 people to rent the 19 divisions of Madras at the rate of Pag. 70 per day, and that the toddy drawers have agreed to supply the renters with toddy.	217
21-8-06	Triplicane Brahmins Exemption from quit-rent. From the Board. The Brahmins have complained more than once that quit-rent is demanded from them for their houses contrary to the former usage. The Brahmins of the temple should be exempted if it is customary. "The collection would be trifling and excite much discontent."	229-30
25-8-06	Punch Houses New measure introduced. The Board directs the Collector to provide the punch house-keepers with a measure which will contain 1½ fanams worth of spirits, according to their representation.	234

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	2. The Advocate-General considers the regulations to be regular. According to the statute the Magistrates are empowered to grant licences for the sale of spirits in Madras. But in Madras this licence will be granted by the Justices of the Peace. A revenue licence may also be issued provided its clauses do not come within the scope of police duties. This is true of all revenue regulations which should not infringe upon the duties of other departments.	
16-6-06	3. The Collector is directed to modify the draft regulations accordingly. The revised draft of the regulations submitted by the Collector excludes such parts as appeared to interfere with the police. He recommended that all penalties may be enforced by the Justices and that all matters of police may be regulated by the Police department.	157
	4. The regulations are divided into three, one for country arrack, one for toddy and the third for foreign spirits. Country arrack will be allowed to be manufactured only by those who take out a licence from the Collector. The regulations define the strength of the arrack and its price.	
	5. The toddy regulations prescribe that no person should sell toddy without a licence from the Collector. The vendors are at liberty to purchase toddy where they like, but are prohibited from selling it at less than 4 fanams per gallon.	
	6. Similarly, vendors of foreign spirits should not sell at a price lower than 1½ fanams per dram. Vendors of country arrack will also be permitted to sell foreign spirits. The principal European tavern-keepers will be exempted from the regulations. They are, however, to pay an excise duty of Pag. 45 per leaguer. Spirits should not be removed from place to place without a permit from the Collector.	

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18-9-06	Pedda Naik—Compensation for land. To the Finance Committee. The Collector forwards copies of the several letters addressed to Government by Pedda Naik regarding the compensation to be paid to him for lands taken up by Government for the powder mill. His claim was recognized by the Committee and the value of the ground was paid to him. In the meantime the interest on the amount due to him became quite a big sum. Instead of paying this sum the Collector recommends that the land, which is no longer of any use to Government may be returned to him.	249
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29-9-06	Claims of mirasidars. The mirasidars state that their 'backyards' were granted to their ancestors 200 years ago by Bomma Raja and complain that the Brahmins of the village now pretend that these lands belong to them. They request the Collector not to issue grants in the names of the Brahmins.	270-1
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17-5-08 Collector of Madras—Revision proposals.

19-5-08 With a view to amalgamating the offices of the Collector of Madras and the Collector of Land Customs, Government call for the particulars of the establishments under the several departments. The Collector of Madras submits a list of the servants and is of the opinion that no reduction is possible even if the two offices are amalgamated.

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21-11-07	1. The Board directs the Collector to report whether it is profitable to rent the privilege of selling Batavia arrack to a single individual. They agree to extend the limits of Madras for this purpose as far as the land custom mettoos, which are 5 miles from the limits of the Supreme Court. But the Collector should ascertain the amount which the renters in Chingleput should be paid as remission in the event of introducing the monopoly.	9
9-12-07	2. In reply to this the Collector states that the offers made by the proposers of this scheme are Pag. 3,000 less than the revenue derived under the old system, and that it is hardly necessary to change the existing system. He is of opinion that the abolition of the sale of country arrack has produced a great loss of revenue and created discontent among the people.	
22-12-07	3. The Board decides to adhere to the old system until it receives more favourable proposals and the further remarks of the Collector on the desirability of renting the arrack for one or more years to a single renter.	
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21-1-08	4. Government also desire to continue the practice of issuing	14
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9-5-08	accustomed to it. The proposals are therefore dropped.	28
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30-1-08	Disposal of.	10-1
	From the Board.	
	The building in Sembudoos street, may be restored to the owner if it is the private property of anybody. It is said that Chinnia Mudali has a claim to it. If it is the property of the Government it may be sold.	
20-4-08	———Reply.	24-5
	The building belongs to Chinnia Mudali.	
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19-3-08	Land acquisition for.	12
	To the Board.	
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	Munro, Lt.-Col. Thomas	
30-3-08	Grant for lands in Bellary.	13-4
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	A grant has been issued in favour of Lt.-Col. Munro.	
	Shaik Tippu, Subadar	
17-3-08	Fresh allotment of land.	19-20
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	The Collector is ordered to make over to him 7½ grounds in Pedda Naick Pettah instead of the 30 grounds he was formerly assigned in Triplicane.	
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	Two grounds are assigned to him in Pedda Naick Pettah.	
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4-7-08	In accordance with the recommendation of the Collector, the Board directs the daily tax on punch houses to be raised from 2 pagodas to 2½ pagodas, and the retail price of arrack to be increased from 1½ fanams to 1¾ fanams. This increase is made in consequence of the increased sale of arrack in Madras.	32

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31-8-08	2. The Collector reported that Krishnama Naik, to whom these lands had been alienated, refuses to accept these terms and that he demands a compensation of Pag. 360 per cawnie for all the lands.	61

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20-5-08	The meerasidars of Kilpauk complained that one Chinatomby Naik had included $3\frac{1}{2}$ cawnies of their lands with the lands he held under a grant and that when they enclosed this portion with a hedge Chinatomby filed a suit in the Supreme Court which was decided against them. The Collector found on enquiry that the court had declared Chinatomby to be the owner of the $3\frac{1}{2}$ cawnies on the ground that he had been in possession of the land for more than 20 years. But he had already received the quit-rent from the mirasidars, because on a similar occasion the meerasidars of Egmore were offered such a piece of land by Government on payment of the arrears of quit-rent. The same course was adopted in this case also.	
27-6-08	Waste Lands Company's claim to—Law officer's remarks. The Collector consulted the Company's law officer regarding the best method of inducing claimants to come forward with their claims for lands which are now lying waste but for which the Company's titles are questionable. He replied that the Collector should erect a fence round such grounds and put up a notice near it declaring the land to be the property of the Company. If anybody opposes his doing so, he will naturally have to prove his claim.	47
29-7-08	Wright, Mr. John Offers to exchange his house for lands on the beach. From Mr. Wright. He is willing to sell his house in the Fort to the Government in exchange for lands on the North Beach of the same value as his house.	57-8
31-8-08	Kilpauk Land dispute—Mirasidars' complaints. The Board remarks that the Collector had no authority to levy the arrears of quit-rent from the mirasidars when the land had actually been in possession of Chinatomby. The proper course would have been to demand it of the latter and leave the mirasidars to substantiate their claims. In the event of their being declared to be the lawful owners of the land the Collector could have transferred his demand to them. He is therefore directed to refund the amount levied from them and to take steps to recover the same from Chinatomby.	59
6-9-08	Lautour & Co., Messrs. Houses exchanged for lands. From the Board. Certain houses belonging to the firm in the Fort are to be transferred to the Government in exchange for lands on the South Beach. The buildings to be constructed by them need not be uniform as ordered before, but none should be built which will interfere with the public convenience.	68-71
8-10-08	—As Messrs. Lautour & Co. refuse to give up all their houses the proposal is ordered to be dropped.	75A-B
7-11-08	New Jail Water-supply. From the Board. The Collector is directed to acquire a piece of ground in the vicinity of the new jail for digging a tank for the use of the jail. (In addition to the papers indexed the volume contains several applications for grants from Europeans in Madras and in the districts.)	81-3

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21-2-1809 Misappropriation of funds—Complaints of.

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One Vedantachary complained that the churchwarden of the temple was appropriating for his own use the surplus funds of the temple, amounting to about Pag. 500 per annum. On enquiry the Collector found that the surplus funds which amounted to more than Pag. 700 per annum were invested in Company's paper bearing interest for the use of the temple.

Punch Houses

7-3-09 Dangers of sub-renting.

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The Superintendent of Police represents to the Collector that a private of the Royals threatened a mob of people with a loaded gun, in a fit of intoxication. The punch house-keeper who had taken out the licence had left the entire control of the shop to another man. In order to prevent quarrels and other unseemly behaviour in punch houses it is necessary to compel the licensees to conform to the articles of their licences.

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25-3-09 Assignment of land—New forms of certificate.

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The certificate for lands on the South Beach prohibits the establishment of taverns, coffee houses, eating houses etc., on these lands. Roofs should not be of thatch or other combustible materials.

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Salt Manufacture

27-3-09 Home consumption—Remarks.

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The Board observes that the Collector could have taken proper steps to manufacture enough salt for the consumption of Madras. The population of Madras, which is estimated at 7,00,000, may require 1,500 garce annually. When the actual quantity sold for home consumption falls far short of this amount, there is reason to fear that there is a clandestine sale of salt.

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	Encroachments	
1-4-09	On public roads—Complaints. The Road Committee complain to the Collector that people residing near the roads are in the habit of making encroachments on them and that this is especially the case with the road leading from the new bridge near Anderson's Gardens to the river at Chintadripettah. They request the Collector to examine these roads and remove encroachment.	78
	Abkari	
29-4-09	Defaulting renters—Notification. The Collector notifies that persons, who fail to fulfil the terms of their proposals, will not be allowed to bid on any future occasion.	101
	Wright, Mr. John	
3-5-09	Exchange of his house for lands.	107-9
13-5-09	From the Board. His offer may be accepted on the condition that seventeen per cent. be deducted from the valuation of Pag. 4,000 put upon his house by himself.	
23-5-09	———From Mr. Wright. He refuses to accept the condition.	113-4
	Roads	
30-5-09	Width—Orders. Government do not agree with the Board's proposals to restrict the width of the roads on the South Beach to 20 ft. They are of opinion that roads should be at least 30 ft. wide in order to avoid congestion. It is advisable to forego the amount that may be realised by selling the strip of land 10 ft. wide, rather than produce inconvenience.	133
	Arrack Distillery	
15-6-09	Application of Shamier Zorerats. Shamier Zorerats, an American, applied for permission to erect a distillery. According to the regulations no retail sale of such arrack could be permitted. Again, arrack, rum etc., manufactured solely for export overseas do not pay duty of any sort, but this exemption is limited to Europeans. The Board, therefore, recommended that an excise duty equivalent to the import duty on arrack may be levied on the arrack manufactured by him, and that he may be prohibited from selling it retail in Madras. Government approved the proposals.	147
10-6-09	———Bond executed by Shamier Zorerats.	335
	Arrack	
30-3-09	Excise duty—Proposals for levy. 1. The Collector represents that drunkenness has increased considerably on account of the low price of arrack. The punch houses are especially encouraging drunkenness by selling arrack at a price which is lower than what is allowed. It is impossible to convict them because their customers will not give them away. The Collector therefore, proposes that the sale of Batavia arrack by each punch house may be restricted to 4½ gallons per day. The quantity produced by the country arrack stills should also be restricted to the same extent. The tax on punch houses may be raised from 2½ to 2¾ pagodas per day and the price of Batavia arrack from 1½ to 2 fanams per dram. The stills should pay the same tax and the price of country arrack should be raised from 1 fanam to 1½ fanam. The punch house-keepers are now making an enormous profit and many of them are in the habit of entrusting their shops to others and thereby failing to keep order within the shops. The licensees should be forced to abide by the terms of their licence.	155

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3-7-09	2. The Board agrees with the Collector that it is necessary to reduce drunkenness, but it is of opinion that 4½ gallons per day is too small a quantity. It proposes to levy an excise duty on the actual quantity sold by each punch house-keeper. If all the arrack sold by them is taxed they will not be able to undersell the liquor. The Board considers that it is unnecessary to raise the selling price of arrack.	164
10-7-09	3. The Collector issues a notification to the effect that a tax of	170
11-7-09	Pag. 2½ should be paid for every 4½ gallons of arrack	172
12-7-09	sold by punch house-keepers. They should give to the Collector's peons a certificate of the quantity purchased by them and take a receipt from him for the tax paid by them.	174
	Jamabandi Report	
24-8-09	For f. 1218—Review.	179
30-9-09	The Board observes that the revenues of 1928 are far below those of f. 1217. There are large balances on account of quit-rent. Such of those as are due from public servants should be recovered from their pay. The Collector should proceed against the others according to law.	208-12
	Powder Mill	
30-9-09	Land acquisition—Compensation—Kistnama Naik's offers.	213
	The Collector represents that Kistnama Naik has agreed to relinquish his rights to the lands provided Government would pay him Pag. 1,200 which he actually paid to the mirasidars. He considers that the compensation is reasonable and recommends that a moderate rate of interest may also be allowed.	
	Chintadripet	
6-10-09	Shrotriyam—Quit-rent—Payment to the Justices.	233
	The Justices of the Peace direct that the amount mentioned in the cowle should be paid by the shrotriendrar to them and not to the Collector of Madras as it is intended to be utilized for cleaning the streets of Chintadripettah.	
	Carnatic Debts	
28-10-09	Investigation.	237-9
	From the Commissioners.	
	The Collector is requested to trace the transfer of a house in Egmore which was originally in the possession of Mr. Jones, but which after several transfers came into the possession of Lt. George Mackay. The transfers which took place in regard to two other houses in Black Town, which originally belonged to Lt. Call, are also to be traced.	
	Singana Chetty, Colla	
24-11-09	Certificates for lands assigned on the Beach.	273-5
	Country Arrack	
20-12-09	Illicit sale in Black Town—Proposals.	294
	The Superintendent of Police represents that there are several huts belonging to Pariahs and other low caste people situated close to the European shops in Black Town, and that there are some sheds among them, which are used as country arrack shops. As the existence of these shops and these huts is a great nuisance the Superintendent suggests that the Collector should remove the huts to some other place and prohibit the sale of liquors except in regular streets.	

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22-12-09	Annual statement of accounts for f. 1219. The following statements are forwarded:— (1) Huzzor cutchery servants. (2) Salt servants. (3) Farms and licences. (4) Collector's commission. (5) Repairs of tanks. (6) Survey expenses. (7) Pagoda and mosque allowances. (8) Pension and charitable allowances. (9) Rusooms and maniams.	299
	Salt	
5-7-09	Price—Madras pans—Orders.	327
27-7-09	The Board directs the Collector to raise the price of salt at the Madras pans to Pag. 30 per garce. The charges of bringing salt from the interior should be added to this fixed price whenever salt is brought from outside.	340
	Anstruther, Mr. Alexander	
25-7-09	Certificate for lands on the Beach.	333-4
	Toddy Shops	
5-8-09	Keeping of—Permission from Divisioners—Notification. The Collector notifies that no person will be allowed to keep a toddy shop without the permission of the divisioner to whom the division is rented. Similarly toddy should not be removed from place to place without the permission of the several divisioners.	353
	Arbuthnot & Co., Messrs.	
20-9-09	Certificate for lands on the Beach.	360

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	Ellis, Mr. Francis W.	
20-12-1809	Appointed Collector of Madras. Mr. Ellis is to succeed Mr. Ogilvie as Collector.	1
	Black Town	
15-1-10	Nuisance from Paraya huts. To the Superintendent of Police. "The nuisance arising from the increasing of Pariar huts within the walls of the Black Town is jointly complained of by every description of persons, European as well as native," but Government alone can remove them beyond the walls.	28-30
	Salt Manufacture	
16-1-10	To be discouraged in Madras. As the manufacture of salt in Madras unlike in other districts, requires the particular encouragement of the Collector the Board directs that it should be steadily discouraged until it is stopped entirely. The Board is averse to stopping it immediately because the owners of salt pans are likely to claim compensation. The idea of exporting salt from Madras should be given up.	30
	Toddy	
8-2-10	Renting to Shanars—Collector's suggestions. 1. The Collector represents that in order to protect the toddy renters he has been forced to notify that all Shanars should supply the shops in their division at the usual	51

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	price before they carry it to another division. Those who refuse to sell toddy at the price fixed by the Collector will not be allowed to draw toddy.	
21-3-10	2. He suggests that the toddy division should be rented to people of the Shanar caste only because that will unite the interests of Government and these people, whose occupation is toddy drawing. The Board approves entirely his proposals.	101
	Salt Manufacture	
20-2-10	Relinquishment of—Collector's remarks. The inhabitants are not less eager to manufacture salt in Madras than in other districts. They showed a disinclination solely with the object of procuring larger advances. They have been alarmed by the rumour of the discontinuance of their salt pans and have been very busy trying to make amends for the past. As they are depending for their livelihood upon this industry it will be a great hardship to them if they are prohibited or discouraged from manufacturing salt. The Collector suggests that they may be allowed a just consideration for their labours and permitted to work upon the pans.	58
	Quit-rent	
20-3-10	Arrears—Liability of purchaser—Notification. The Collector notifies that persons in possession of lands and gardens at the time when the quit-rent is demanded, viz., 30th April should pay the balance standing against such lands etc. It is the duty of intending purchasers to adjust with the seller the arrears that may be due on the lands they wish to purchase. All purchases of land should be registered and all arrears cleared before transfers are effected.	84
	Salt Manufacture	
17-3-10	Madras pans. The Board approves the Collector's proposal to proceed with the manufacture at the Madras pans. If it should be later on decided that they should be abandoned, the Collector will be put in charge of the pans at Vullore and Atteput.	99
	Government Gardens	
22-3-10	Land near alienation—Prohibited. Government direct that the land opposite to the Government garden gate should be considered to form part of the gardens and that it should not be sold on any account to anybody. It should be kept free from sheds and hovels.	114
	Register of Government Grants	
2-4-10	Collector of Madras appointed. The Collector of Madras will receive applications for grants of land in the various districts. He will forward them to the Board in the capacity of "Register of Government Grants." The grants will be issued to the different Collectors through him only. When an application is made for a grant the Collector who forwards it should furnish full information regarding the titles, arrears of quit-rent etc. When a grant has been made the Collector of that district will collect the quit-rent due on it.	118
	Chintadripet	
18-4-10	Shrotriyam—Street cleaning—Expenses. The Collector forwards to the Justices an account of the annual sums spent by the shrotriyamdar in cleaning the streets of Chintadripettah. Though the average of the last seven years is only about Pag. 57 he suggests that an assessment of Pag. 60 may be demanded by the Justices from the shrotriyamdar, in consideration of their having undertaken to supervise the cleaning themselves.	134

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Scavenging duty—Sunca Rama's lands in Tondiarpet—Proposals.

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1. The Collector submits the details of a case relating to the lands originally granted to Sunca Rama in Tondiarpettah, as an example of very many similar instances of refusal to pay quit-rent. These lands were given to Sunca Rama by Government in consideration of his father's gardens which were resumed by Government without paying compensation. Sunca Rama's lands were partly alienated. The present holder of this alienated portion, Vencayer by name, refuses to pay more than the amount specified in the grant. The Collector is of opinion that the conditions of the grant regarding quit-rent hold good only in the case of the original grantee and that the new purchaser has no right to such an indulgence.
2. In order to make an example for the benefit of the other people who refuse to pay their quit-rent, he proposes that Government should empower him to attach a part of the land or the crops and proceed to recover the arrears. By taking such a step most of the balances are likely to be realised in a short time.
3. The question of the legality of levying a quit-rent or scavenger's duty upon lands held under Government grants has been the matter of discussion as early as 1784. In that year the Judges of the Supreme Court held that the Madras Government had no right to impose any assessment which was not specified in the grant. But the charter relating to the Court of Madras clearly says that all matters concerning the revenue do not come under its jurisdiction. If there is any doubt as to the precise meaning of the term 'Revenue' and whether it will include quit-rent, the Collector considers that it is open to Government to so define it in a regulation, as to include quit-rent under the term revenue.
4. A copy of the grant issued to Sunca Rama is enclosed.

Arrack

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Manufacture and sale—Government control of—Proposals.

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1. The Collector represents that the introduction of an excise revenue on all the arrack consumed by the people has not met with that success which was expected from it. The peons, entrusted with the work of securing the liquor and drawing it out as required on payment of the tax, have on several occasions connived at abuses and frauds. Consequently, a large quantity of arrack never paid any duty and there was a loss of revenue to Government.
2. He therefore proposes that all Batavia arrack intended for sale in Madras should be deposited in one place so as to be under the immediate control of the Collector or his assistant. To carry this out the retail dealers may be forced to deposit the liquor they purchase at the Government depot, or Government may purchase the liquor and sell it to them or the storing of the arrack may be entrusted to a contractor. The licences held by the retail dealers may be altered in order to include these provisions. Of these three methods the Collector prefers that of purchasing and stocking by Government.
3. *Distilleries.*
In order to prevent similar abuses in the sale of country arrack he proposes to establish three distilleries for the manufacture of arrack. All the divisions will be supplied from these three distilleries.
4. The effect of these measures will be to prevent the liquor from becoming too cheap and to protect the interests of Government.

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24-5-10	Krishnayya Braminy Claims to a land on the North Esplanade. From the Board. V. Krishnayya possesses three grounds which encroach upon the Esplanade. The Collector may arrange with him to exchange them for other lands, though Krishnayya's proposal to receive an equal extent on the Beach behind Mr. Parry's house is unreasonable.	194-9
25-5-10	Ennore Society Premises to be surveyed. From the Board. There is some dispute regarding the boundary of the premises belonging to the society. As Capt. Bishop's house is adjacent to these the boundary can be easily ascertained by measuring the premises for which a grant has been issued to him.	201-2
2-6-10	Harington & Co., Messrs. Application for land. From Messrs. Harington & Co. They apply for some lands in the Second Line, "immediately behind the Justices Office."	203
5-6-10	———Reply. The ground has been measured and allotted to them.	209
19-6-10	Balfour, Mrs. Jane House opposite to Government Garden House—Removal ordered.	234
27-7-10	On the recommendation of the Town Major, Government direct the Collector to remove the materials of the widow's house to a suitable place or to pay her the value of the materials. As her house is frequented by very many people and is the scene of quarrels etc., it should be pulled down along with the other houses situated in the tope. The Collector recommends Pag. 80 which is much more than what is usual.	347
22-6-10	Woodcock, Messrs. Edward and J. B. Pender Application for land in Cuddapah. From the Collector of Cuddapah. Recommends that a grant may be obtained for the land required by them for building a house at Nagarajapalle near the town of Cuddapah.	249-51
25-6-10	Carnatic Debts Investigation. From the Commissioners. They wish to obtain a copy of a bill of sale of a house situated at Paracheri executed by Mr. Arthur Cuthbert in favour of H. H. Omdut-ul-Omrah.	252
26-6-10	Toddy Individual licences—Proposals. The Head Shanars are in the habit of forming a combination among themselves with the object of preventing outsiders from bidding for the divisions so that they can take them up at very low rents. The Collector represents that this evil can be remedied only by issuing licences to individuals instead of to renters of divisions. The only objections that may be raised against the system of individual licences are that it increases the expenses of management and does not afford sufficient security for the revenue.	252
2-7-10	Arrack Manufacture and sale—Greater control—Board's remarks. The Board recommends to Government the proposals submitted by the Collector for storing arrack on account of Government and the construction of distilleries for country arrack. The Collector is directed to construct the distilleries without delay.	255

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Collector of Madras		
2-7-10	Jurisdiction—Proposed regulations for. Though the general regulations for the conduct of Collectors apply to the Collector of Madras also, the Board considers that it is desirable to form separate regulations to define the duties of the latter. The Collector is, therefore, directed to submit a draft of such regulations as he thinks fit. The proposed regulations should provide for the Collector's duties in the Land Customs department also.	266
Powder Mills		
5-7-10	Additional lands to be acquired for. From the Board. A piece of waste ground lying immediately to the north of the mills is to be acquired for constructing an expense magazine capable of holding 5,000 barrels of gunpowder.	280-3
Ennore Society		
12-7-10	Grant for premises. To the Secretary to the Society. The boundary of the grounds belonging to the old choultry has been ascertained from the plan attached to the grant of the lands now in the possession of Capt. Bishop. After the choultry was demolished and after the stables, the billiard room and the bungalow were built Mr. John Beckwith was placed in charge of them. A grant was applied for in 1797 under the personal instructions of Lord Hobart, but was not actually issued. The Collector now wishes to know the extent and particulars of the land for which the society requires the grant.	293-9
Toddy		
17-7-10	Supply to bakeries—Arrangements. 1. The Clerk of the Market represented to the Collector that bakers were unable to procure toddy for making bread. The Collector replied that they were in combination with the toddy-drawers who had refused to sell toddy as usual to the renters etc. He has, however, made arrangements for supplying the bakers with toddy from Chingleput and from a few shops which were still open.	310
17-7-10	2. Writing on the same subject to the Superintendent of Police and the Board the Collector represents that a meeting was convened at Tiruvellore by the toddy-drawers with the object of defeating the steps taken by Government to realise the revenue from toddy. The Superintendent of Police promises to disperse such meeting.	314
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Toddy		
18-7-10	Individual licence—Issue—Notification. The Collector proposes to notify that licences will be issued to those who desire to open one or more shops in any division. Offers will be received also for renting the division excluding the shops already opened on individual licences. Such division renters should on no account molest the holders of separate licences.	324
Shanars		
1-8-10	Arrest of—Petition against. Mr. Caruthers, Attorney-at-Law, demands the release of 8 people of the Graminy caste whom the Collector is said to have arrested and placed under confinement. The latter replies that in his capacity of Magistrate he had detained 8 persons on information regularly received by him.	333
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7-8-10	Toddy Shops St. Thomas' Mount—Complaints.	365-6
8-8-10	1. The Officer Commanding at the Mount represents that a few toddy shops have been opened on the north bank of the river and that according to the proclamation issued by the Judge and Magistrate of Chingleput no spirituous liquors are allowed to be sold within a radius of 4 miles round the Cantonment. He desires they may be removed. 2. The Collector replies that he is not aware of any orders prohibiting the sale of spirituous liquors within 4 miles of a Cantonment and that the Magistrate of Chingleput had no authority to issue any such proclamation. He considers that it is necessary to restrict the sale of spirituous liquors near Cantonments but he does not believe that toddy comes under the head of "spirituous liquors" or that it is pernicious to the health of the people.	403
8-8-10	Shanars Arrest of—Further proceedings. 1. The Collector forwards the 8 Gramanias arrested by him to the Judge and Magistrate of Chingleput to stand their trial before him. He states that these people had held several meetings, the last of which was at Coimbedu at 12 o'clock at night on the 30th of last month. They persuaded toddy-drawers to stop supplying toddy to the bakeries and actually forced several people to remove their plots from the trees. 2. The Collector forwards the evidence taken down from several Shanars all of which prove that the accused had formed a conspiracy to prevent the realisation of Government revenue in the usual course. The sitting Magistrate of Madras considered that the case was not within his jurisdiction. Therefore, the matter is referred to the Judge of Chingleput. 3. The latter reports that he has punished them.	367
22-8-10	The latter reports that he has punished them.	416
27-8-10	Mount Road Bridge Land acquisition—Mrs. Jane Balfour's land—Collector's report.	419
4-9-10	The Collector reports to Government that the land opposite Government garden gate on which the house stands was purchased by the Superintending Engineer for the purpose of diverting the Mount Road consequent on the building of the new bridge. Her house was on it when the purchase was made. This and the other huts had been allowed to remain on it by the previous owner who also allowed her to collect a rent on the adjacent huts. She has no certificate, bill of sale or document of any description. The Collector is directed to come to terms with her.	430
28-8-10	Revenue Recovery Arrears of quit-rent—Distraint and sale—Notification. 1. The Collector represents that the punishment meted out to the toddy-drawers who conspired against Government by the Judge and Magistrate of Chingleput will have a wholesome effect upon the people in inducing them to pay their dues regularly. He suggests that if he were to proceed according to law against some of the prominent people who were refusing to pay their arrears of quit-rent, the others would readily pay their arrears. 2. For this purpose he proposes that a notification may be issued to the effect that if a quit-rent bill is not discharged after it is presented for the third time the personal property of the owner will be distrained in the first instance and sold. If that is insufficient the house or lands for which the quit-rent is demanded will be sold likewise. 3. The proposals are approved by the Board.	430
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	Adyar Bar	
5-9-10	Opening of. To the Secretary to the Road Committee. The bar has on two occasions been opened at public expense so as to enable the Engineer "to continue the building of the new bridge."	431-2
	Native Infirmary	
6-9-10	Old buildings sold. From the Secretary to the Madras Infirmary Committee. Government having ordered the sale of the buildings and ground of the native Infantry for Pag. 2,000 to Mr. William Harrington the Collector may issue a new grant in Mr. Harrington's name.	447-9
	Temples	
15-9-10	Arrears—Appointment proposed. 1. As the churchwardens of the several temples in Madras are not furnishing their accounts and are suspected of mis-managing the affairs entrusted to them, the Collector proposes to appoint ameens to inspect the temples on behalf of Government.	463
24-9-10	2. The Board approves the measure.	471
	Bribery	
25-9-10	Subaroya Mudali—Dismissal of. The Collector forwards the evidence taken down by him regarding the bribe received by Subaroya Mudali for making out certificate. The truth of the charge was confirmed by Sunca Rama Chitty, a very respectable man of the Suncuwar family. Subaroy Mudali has been dismissed from service.	476
	Ground Rent	
29-9-10	Timber stored on the Beach—Complaints.	495
14-11-10	1. Messrs. Harrington & Co. complained to the Board that the Collector had demanded ground-rent for the space on the beach opposite to their buildings. They represent that the waves sometimes approach very near to their buildings and that to prevent the inroads of the sea they have erected a masonry platform adjacent to them. 2. The Collector represents that there is no other effective method of keeping the beach clear of timber and other articles than that of levying a ground-rent.	533
	Jamabandi Report	
1-10-10	For f. 1219. The total collections exceed those of f. 1218 by about 47,000 pagodas. The greater control over arrack proposed to be introduced shortly will bring in an increased revenue from Abkari. Licences have been issued to a large number of Shanars for opening toddy shops. The amount shown under quit-rent for this fusly is actually the assessment for the last fusly, but according to the existing practice this demand is made only after the expiry of the year for which it is made. The revenue derived from salt shows signs of improvement.	508
	Colletpettah Temple	
1-10-10	Allowance—Payment by the Collector of Madras—Orders. The Board agrees with the Collector of Chingleput in thinking, that since Colletpettah is within the control of the Collector of Madras so far as the arrack revenue is concerned, it is more proper that the allowance made to the temple of the arrack revenue of the village should be made by the Collector of Madras. The allowance, which amounted to 500 pagodas per annum, was sanctioned in 1806 as an advance of for the revenue derived by the sale of toddy by prompt village which was resumed by Government.	667-8 667-31

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Arrack Distilleries		
9-10-10	Renting proposals.	529
1. The Collector represents that the 3 distilleries are ready for use and that proposals may be called for for renting the country arrack divisions.		
2. Division renters should store their ingredients in the godowns attached to the distilleries near their division and distil arrack in the manner allowed by the regulations. The tax on each still is Pag. 234 per day. The retail price of arrack will be 90 cash per dram.		
3. No arrack should be distilled except at the 3 distilleries. Illicit manufacture will subject the manufacturer to a fine of Pag. 50. The informer will receive a reward of Pag. 50.		
Land Customs		
10-11-10	Control by the Collector of Madras—Orders.	565
1. The Board transmits to the Collector its correspondence with Government regarding the feasibility of uniting the offices of the Collector of Land Customs and the Collector of Madras.		
2. The Board proposed to Government that according to the regulations the Land Customs Department should properly come under the Collector's control and not under that of the Board. In other districts the Collector is always in charge of the land customs. By placing this department under the Collector of Madras it is hoped that the entire revenues of the Presidency will be managed more efficiently and with a smaller establishment than under two officers.		
3. Government accepted the proposals of the Board and directed that the two offices of the Collector and Land Customer should be united immediately. In order to fix the remuneration of the Collector and his deputy they call for particulars of the revenue derived from the various sources in the preceding years.		
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12-7-10	The following statements are forwarded:—	625
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(2) Salt servants.		
(3) Farms and licences.		
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(7) Pensions and charitable allowances.		
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Ground Rent		
5-12-10	Timber yard—Arrears claimed.	667-8
6-12-10	Messrs. Harrington & Co. complained to the Collector that his peons had obstructed the sale of certain timber belonging to them. The Collector replied that until the arrears of ground-rent were paid he could not permit them to remove the timber. Messrs. Harrington & Co. deny the existence of any arrears. They say that they are always very prompt in discharging their bills.	667-81
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4-12-10	Cuthbert, Mr. Alexander Dealings with Omdut-ul-Omrah. To the Commissioner for the Carnatic debts. The house referred to by them in Pedda Naik Pettah originally belonged to the Nawab who transferred it to Mr. Cuthbert in 1783. A bill of sale from the Mayor's Court has been traced relating to this.	1674-6

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14-1-1811	Timber etc. stored on the Beach—Proposals.	12
19-2-11	1. The Board agrees with the Collector in considering that it is important to levy a ground rent on timber, grain and other articles which are stored on the beach. He is directed to suggest the rates of assessment, and to exempt such articles from ground rent only for a reasonable time after unloading. 2. The Collector is of the opinion that ground rent should be charged from the day on which the goods are landed.	138

Postal

17-1-11	Parcels—Evasion of land customs—Proposals. The Postmaster General desires that the Collector should station one of his peons at the General Post Office to watch the parcels when they arrive, so that articles received by post may not escape the payment of land customs. The Collector replies that the parcels are examined at the chowkies and that he has instructed the conicopies to inform the Postmaster General whenever they suspect any parcel to contain tobacco, betel, bang etc. It is not possible to station a peon permanently at the G.P.O.	20
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25-1-11	Control by the Collector—New arrangements—Report. 1. The Collector submits a report of the new arrangements in the establishments etc., consequent on the amalgamation of the offices of the Collector of Madras and the Collector of land customs. The decrease in the establishment is not considerable because under the new arrangement a Sherista department has been formed and Madras has been divided into several taluqs under the management of amildars. A large number of gate and pygust peons have been disbanded on account of their duties having been entrusted to the Police. The Collector forwards a notification declaring their rights to examine goods coming to Madras and proclaiming the share to which they are entitled on the value of goods seized by them. The peons who have been dismissed may be granted pensions for their lives. The pay of the Sheristadar and the Naib are far less than what is paid in the districts. 2. The establishment at the land custom house is divided into 'inside' and 'outside' departments. The former has the management of the duties on piece-goods and other manufactured articles. The latter deals with the duties on gruff goods, beetle, tobacco etc. Regarding the pay of the Collector and his deputy he represents that the Court of Directors have fixed the pay of the Collector of Madras	27
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	Cochrane's Canal Land acquisition—Compensation to Mirasidars of Tondiarpet. The Vellala Mirasidars of Tondiarpettah, whose claim to certain lands through which the canal runs was recently recognized by the Supreme Court, applied through their attorney to Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co., Agents for the Honourable Basil Cochrane, lessee of the canal, claiming compensation for the lands. On the recommendation of the Board, Government direct that the Collector should be asked to call the parties before him and submit a report on the merits of their claims. He should state whether the Mirasidars are entitled to any compensation for the ground in question, and if he finds that they have a just claim he should propose the amount to be paid to them. He should also consider the question of the lessee's liability for this amount.	91
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28-2-11	For the Navy—Duty on—Collector's report. The Collector reports that the records do not show whether tobacco intended for the use of the Navy was at any time exempted from paying duty. As Reg. X of 1803 makes no mention of exemption it is reasonable to suppose that prior to that date, i.e., during the monopoly period, there was no exemption of this sort. The Collector's Assistant, Mr. Saunders, remembers an instance in which the Board of Trade insisted upon the payment of duty on some tobacco purchased for the Navy, on the ground that the benefit of the remission is more to the person supplying tobacco than to His Majesty's Government.	178.
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8-3-11	Government consider that the value of the land on the South Beach should not be allowed to stand in the way of constructing the cistern where it is most suitable to place it. The Collector is, therefore, directed to mark out the ground and debit the Commercial Department for the loss sustained by the Revenue Department.	226.
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1-3-11	In Madras—Abandonment proposals. To the Board.	193.
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	4. Regarding the rights of the lessee of Cochrane's canal to levy toll upon salt, Government are of opinion, that though there is no mention of it in the contract, yet Government are entitled to an exemption. They, therefore forbid the payment of tolls in future on the Company's salt.	
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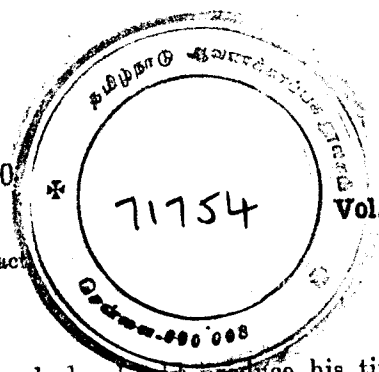
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6-7-11	Christian Boatmen Fees for Church. The Collector represents that no fees were collected by the boatmen for the maintenance of the church. Four Mahomedans were making certain collections from the shopkeepers who had built shops and stalls close to the boatmen's huts. These shops were not paying quit-rent to Government. When the Collector tried to enforce payment of it the people raised protests. In his opinion private collections of this kind for religious or for any other purpose should be stopped as they are easily liable to abuse.	48
19-7-11	Assault Shroff's charge against sepoy—Collector's remarks. A sepoy belonging to the Volunteer Battalion is alleged to have beaten a shroff at the salt depot for not supplying him with salt in preference to others. The Collector desires the Officer Commanding to punish the sepoy in order that others may not ill-treat a public servant while on duty in a similar manner.	53
20-7-11	Arrack Distilleries Report—To the Board. 1. In accordance with the orders of Government the Collector constructed two distilleries, one at Tondiarpettah and the other at Royapettah. All the divisioners were ordered to supply themselves from these two distilleries only. The cost of constructing them including the price of the land and charges of sinking wells amounted to about Pag. 2,500. This expenditure is likely to be realised in the form of utensil hire etc., in the course of about two years. 2. The effect of restricting the manufacture of country arrack to the Government distilleries had the effect of reducing the quantity distilled. Formerly a large quantity was distilled unlawfully and sold at rates below the regulation price. But now there is a duty on all the arrack consumed. Shopkeepers prefer to deal in Batavia arrack for which they find a better sale. However, there is an increase of revenue, which speaks for the success of the new system. It has also rendered this revenue less subject to fluctuation than before.	58
25-7-11	Salt Manufacture Effects of the storm. The Collector represents that the late storm destroyed several salt pans and rendered it impossible for them to produce the quantity originally expected. Advances have been made to the people to resume their work on the pans. They have been exerting themselves with such vigour that much more salt is likely to be produced than is usual after the 12th July.	107
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4-10-11	3. They were awarded 500 lashes each and dismissed from the service.	274
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28-9-11	Capt. W. Ormsby complained to the Board that the Collector had refused to refund the amount which he had paid twice on the ground that he did not produce the rowanah before the end of the month. The Collector reporting on this petition remarked that he is forced to close his accounts every month and forward the rowanahs, for which a refund has been made, to the Civil Auditor. It is not, therefore, so easy as the petitioner thinks, to adjust the accounts.	239
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23-9-11	2. He reports that the petitioners would not produce their grants and that Nattu Soobaroy is a quarrelsome person.	242
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21-10-11	2. The Collector represents that he has left 2 garce at Covelong for the use of the inhabitants of that place. He has also employed carts for transporting the salt, but use a sufficient number of boats is not forthcoming and because conveyance by lands is almost as cheap as conveyance by sea.	304 307
23-10-11	3. The Board directs the Collector to proceed next to Durugazapatam in the Nellore district.	311
24-10-11	4. He suggests that the price of salt may be raised from Pag. 30 to Pag. 40 per garce in order to meet the expense of carriage.	
30-10-11	5. Government direct that H.H. the Nawab of the Carnatic should be supplied with one garce every month.	332
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21-11-11	Cochrane's Canal Tolls—Government exemption of Government property. Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co., Agent of the Hon. Basil Cochrane, demanded the toll due on a cargo of salt which passed through the canal on the way to the salt depot. Payment was refused by the Collector on the ground that Government property is exempted from payment of tolls. They point out that salt is included in the list of articles paying toll and that no exception is made to salt or any other Government property in the agreement. Government call for the remarks of the Collector and the Board.	353
3-2-11	Lane, Mr. J. F. Purchases 'Myrtle Grove'. From Mr. Lane. States that he has purchased the garden at Royapettah known as Myrtle Grove and requests to know the arrears of quit-rent due upon it.	376-7
3-12-11	———Reply. He is informed that he will be held answerable for the arrears.	377-8
7-12-11	Shadi Mahal Lands near—Sale objected to. 1. Abdul Gafoor Khan represents to the Collector that the lands opposite to the Shadi Mahal, belonging to Mahomed Hafizuddin Khan and Bibi Sahib should not be sold lest strangers should purchase it and build houses which may overlook the apartments of Her Highness the Nawab Begam, in the Shadi Mahal. 2. The Paymaster of Stipends informs the Collector that the Governor wishes to see that the lands are not sold to strangers. 3. The Collector replies that unless specially authorised to do so he cannot prevent the owners of the lands to whomsoever they like. It is very doubtful whether under the Mahomedan Law or any other law a person can exercise any right over the lands of his neighbours. He therefore suggests that the Law officers may be consulted.	385
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9-12-11	Ruees-ul-Umrah Bahadur Applies for a grant. From the Board. The Collector is ordered to report upon his petition regarding the exemption of his lands in Chepauk which were granted to him by Lord William Bentinck and which he has set apart for performing the Muharram ceremonies.	398-5
23-12-11	Salt Collector's commission. The Collector of Chingleput desired that he should be allowed to draw commission on the price of salt exported to Madras, calculated at the price for which it is sold in Chingleput. The Board, however, is of the opinion that adjustments should be made only at the rate of the prime cost of salt in Chingleput, because under normal conditions, the exportation of superfluous salt does not affect its sale in Chingleput, upon which alone the Collector can expect to receive a commission.	425
24-12-11	Smuggling Sepoy—Remarks. The Collector reports to the officer at the Mount that a sepoy was seized by his peons in the act of smuggling. He also suggests that, as a precautionary measure, the sepoy should not be allowed to leave the cantonment at night without a leave chit.	430

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24-12-11	Jamabandi Report For f. 1220.	433

There is an increase under all the items except "sales of land" which forms no part of the regular revenue. The revenue from quit-rent would have been greater if it were not for the peculiar difficulties which attend its Collectors. These are (1) the difficulty of making out bills against the proper person on account of the rapid transfers of landed property, many of which are not registered and (2) the impossibility of collecting the current demand before the arrears are paid. Receiving the current demand amounts to a virtual abandonment of the arrears; therefore the revenue authorities cannot receive the current demand. As for arrears people are often unable to pay all the demands at the same time. Or, the arrears may have accumulated before the land came into the possession of the present owner, in which case he will usually resist the earlier claims.

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Betel and Tobacco

9-1-1812 Inland transit duty—Proposals.

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1. The Collector of North Arcot represented to the Board that the consumption duty on betel and tobacco is demanded at the Presidency even when the merchants produce their rowanahs for having paid the inland duty in his district. He suggests that he may be allowed to refund the duty levied in his district in all cases where the collection of a second duty at Madras is certified on the back of the rowanah.
2. The Collector of Madras is directed to state whether there is any objection to adopting this system.

Assignment of Land

12-1-12 Renewal fees—Proposals.

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The Collector represents to the Board that though it is expressly stated in the grant that a sum of Pag. 30 should be paid once in every 30 years, it has not been the practice to demand this when grants are resumed. He desires to know whether he should also levy a proportionate amount for any broken period under 30 years when an old grant may be renewed. He suggests that in future all arrears on account of this fees should be demanded when transfers are registered.

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15-1-12 Tolls—Exemption of public property—Collector's report.

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When the articles of agreement regarding the subject of tolls were considered, the salt monopoly had not been established. Therefore, salt was also included in the list of articles liable to pay toll on passing through the canal. When the agreement was finally executed in 1806, the monopoly had been introduced, but salt was not removed from the list, most probably in the hurry attending the enactment of the articles. Since the right of exemption from tolls and other exactions as regards public property is universally recognized, and since the agreement does not make any specific mention of levying tolls on public property, it is to be inferred that tolls cannot be demanded in justice, by the lessees of the canal.

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-1-12	Cemetery Black Town—Exemption from quit-rent. To the Board. There is no objection to exempt the ground purchased by the Capuchins for a new burial ground. "As a general principle, however" the Collector is of the opinion "that the public charity is better manifested by any other mode than by the alienation of the public revenues."	50-1
1-12	Arrack Distilleries Construction—Orders. (See 987/279-360.)	57
-1-12	Mutton Farming supply for Madras market—Kistnama Naidoo's application.	122
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1-12	Government direct the Collector to report upon an application made by Kistnama Naidoo for farming the tax levied on sheep supplied to the Madras market. The applicant promises to pay Pag. 2,412 per annum. The Collector reports that this tax is one of those miscellaneous revenues transferred to him from the control of the Justices and promises to submit a detailed report shortly.	
-12	Jurisdiction Collector of Madras—Revision—Orders. (See 987/279-360.)	59
4	Assignment of Land In Zamindari—Government grant—Refused.	119
-12	The Collector of Madras returns the application for a Government grant made by Mr. Hay, because according to the orders of the Board, it is not necessary to issue a Government grant when the lands belong to a zamindari and are held on a grant given by the zamindar.	
6-4	Customs Chowki Adyar—Removal by the Military.	135
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6-2	The Chowki conicoply represented to the Collector that the Officer Commanding the Pioneers near the Adyar river had forcibly removed the chowki from its usual site. Upon this the Collector desired the officer to obtain the permission of Government to remove it if the land should be required by him for military purposes. As the site of the chowki was fixed by Government, they alone have the authority to alter it. The Officer Commanding replied that the hut about which the complaint was made was not the regular chowki, but was situated far away from the road. He desires that it may be removed a few paces.	
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6-2-12	2. Statements of the various sources of revenue formerly under him and now transferred to the Collector are also enclosed. ———3. Superintendent's functions. (a) He controls the maistries, palanquin bearers etc. and posts bearers. (b) The manufacture of brick and chunam is supervised by him. (c) He has a general control over shepherds, poulters etc. (d) Stamping weights and measures as well as examining them periodically forms part of his work. (e) He has charge of the convicts working on the roads.	192
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21-4-12	2. The Collector addresses Mr. John to remove the obstruction caused by his house in Errabalu Chetty street. He suggests that the Justices may be willing to make him some compensation for the trouble of demolishing the projection and building up again. The executors of Chamier represent that the projection is very old and that the value of the house will be reduced if it is removed.	
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3-8-12	Piece-goods—Complaints of. 1. Regarding the complaints made to the Collector of Madras by several merchants, the Collector of Chingleput replies that most of the chowkis in his district being new, the persons in charge of them have failed to understand clearly their duties. He states that he could have set it right if the Collector of Madras had informed him or if the merchants had applied to him in the first instance. 2. Since the receipt of instructions from the Board, he has called his subordinates before him and explained to them that the general inland duty is only five per cent. and not eight per cent. The additional duty of three per cent. is leviable in certain cases only at the presidency.	10
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6-8-12	Revenue transferred from—Abolition of certain dues. 1. The Board forwards to the Collector copies of its correspondence with Government on the subject of the miscellaneous sources of revenue hitherto collected by the Superintendent of Police Details. 2. The Board recommended that the tax on sheep and kids as well as the stallage fees on beef and pork stalls might be abolished, as they interfered with a free supply of foodstuffs to the town. Government accepted this recommendation and ordered these taxes to be abolished from September 1812. The stamping duty is permitted to be continued until a report of its exact nature is received from the Collector. The magistracy and police will hereafter interfere in the affairs of the market only to the extent of keeping peace within it. As the duties formerly done by the clerk of the market and the Superintendent of Police Details have now devolved upon the Collector of Madras, their offices will be abolished. 3. The Collector is directed to submit the draft of a notification to proclaim these changes to the people at large.	37
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20-8-12	Repairs—Report to Government. 1. The Collector reports that it is not known how the present buildings came into the possession of Government. The quit-rent due on them has always been carried to the consumption account from the first establishment of the office of the Collector of Madras. The present buildings are so very crowded, that the Collector proposes that an additional market should be established.	101
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27-8-12	Gruff goods—Approval of rates. The rates proposed by the Collector are approved by Government. The form of the muafee rowanah is altered so as to include all the districts. The Collector of Sea Customs will issue rowanahs, when required, for goods on which he may have levied duties.	134
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21-9-12	2. Another complaint of corruption is received from Chitumbala Gramany.	
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3-9-12	Occupation of Hall's Garden. From the Begam. Requests permission to erect a railing around her house at Hall's Garden in Mount Road.	188-90
7-9-12	—Reply. The ground applied for is part of the road and should not be enclosed.	190-1
7-10-12	—From the Begam. Requests to be allowed to heap some earth around her house to protect the walls against the rain. States that she has left 10 feet for the road.	350-1

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5-9-12	Amani system recommended.	197
	1. The Collector is decidedly of opinion that the continuance of the amani system is highly desirable and his only motive for recommending a system of renting was to facilitate the working of the new monopoly. The Shanars are a rude and ignorant class of people. It would be, therefore, desirable to procure the help of the Gramanias, who are more educated, in managing the caste in general.	
	2. A reduction in the number of toddy shops will not diminish the vice of drunkenness. Raising the price of toddy by a higher tax is the only method of discouraging drunkenness. It is not advisable to reduce the number of shops all of a sudden, because by doing so a large number of families will be left without the means of livelihood.	
	3. The present Police Regulations requiring the vendors of arrack to keep shops in their own dwelling places has caused almost all the people to abandon their licences. Except the Anglo-Indians and the Pariahs no other people will consent to convert their houses into liquor shops.	
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18-9-12	Renting—Orders.	254
	1. On the recommendation of the Board Government approved the proposals of the Collector to rent the toddy divisions, which under the new police arrangements, they consider, will be preferable to the present amani management. If experience should show hereafter that the amani system is better, it may be adopted.	
	2. In order to prevent the illicit consumption of toddy the Justices will issue an adequate number of licences. They should co-operate with the Collector in preserving the morals of the people. The Superintendent of Police should consult the Collector before issuing licences.	
	3. The clause in the Police Regulation, which has given rise to the supposition that liquor should be sold only in the house of the licensee, will be amended so as to make it clear that it is not the intention to enforce any such condition.	
18-9-12	——Retail licences—Police Regulations. The number of shops, taverns etc., and the persons to whom licences will be issued will be determined by the Superintendent of Police and the Justices. Liquor should not be sold in retail or wholesale to soldiers and seamen except it be for consumption on the spot in taverns. The minimum quantity that may be sold by wholesale is 12 bottles. Licensees should not allow their agents to manage their shops, but should be present always at the shops and keep order and peace. No liquor should be allowed to be removed except with the permission of the Superintendent of Police. Persons under age should not be supplied with liquor. No shop should be kept open after 12 o'clock. Liquor should not be sold except for money. Receiving articles in barter is prohibited. Nothing but liquor should be kept in punch houses and toddy shops. The Police will have access to the shops etc. whenever they desire to inspect them.	264

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28-9-12	Batavia Arrack Import duty—Proposals. The Board recommended to Government that the proposals of the Collector to establish a monopoly may be accepted. But Government considered that the scheme was open to several objections, and, therefore, suggested that, according to the instructions of the Court of Directors, an import duty may be levied on all spirits manufactured east of the Cape of Good Hope. They directed the Board to fix the rate of this duty with reference to the present excise duty. They also forwarded the draft of an advertisement to proclaim the introduction of the import duty.	309
10-10-12	Amildar Of St. Thomé—Complaints of conduct—Collector's remarks. The Collector represents that the several complaints brought against the amildar were instigated by Tellesinga Gramany whose son keeps a toddy shop and on account of which some balances are due. These petitions were the result of the amildar's taking steps to recover the arrears.	352
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22-10-12	———Government refuse to sanction a pension.	374
25-10-12	Batavia Arrack Import duty—Collector's opinion. 1. The demand of a high import duty renders it difficult for the merchants to import arrack as usual from Colombo where it is obtained in exchange for the articles exported from this coast. In order to keep the price of liquor as high as ever it is necessary to levy a high rate of import duty, which will have the effect of inducing none but the wealthy merchants to import it. 2. Country arrack should not be made cheaper on account of the import duty on imported arrack. Therefore, the Collector proposes that the excise duty on country spirits should be modified to make its sale under 1 fanam 10 cash per dram impossible. 100 pagodas per leaguer will answer the purpose, and will leave the retailer a net profit of 20 per cent. An import duty of Pag. 185 per leaguer of Batavia arrack will return a net profit of 26 per cent. provided it is sold at 1 fanam 60 cash per dram. 3. The imposition of the proposed import duty will in very many cases prevent the shop-keepers from purchasing the arrack at an initial outlay which is beyond their means.	382
21-12-12	Black Town North and West Esplanades—Committee for formation of. Government appoint the Collector of Madras and the Superintending Engineer to form a Committee for acquiring the land required to form an esplanade on the north and west faces of the Black Town. The Committee should also report the difficulties that may attend the execution of the plan with the remedies that they would suggest to overcome those difficulties.	401
31-10-12	Toddy Sale near St. Thomas' Mount—Arrest of Shanars.	406
4-11-12	The Collector represented to the Judge and Magistrate of Chingleput that several Shanars had been summoned by him and punished for selling toddy in the vicinity of the cantonment at the Mount. The Judge replied that these persons were sent to him by the officer commanding at the Mount and that the Collector should prevent them from selling toddy in future within one mile of the cantonment according to the regulations.	428

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	1. The Christian inhabitants of Wallajapett near Tripilicane complained to the Governor that the Nawab's people were preventing them from burying their dead bodies in the place where they had been burying for the last 41 years.	
	2. The Collector is directed to report upon the merits of the several claimants to the ground in question.	
14-11-12	3. The Superintendent of Police is also directed to make a report on the rights of the Christians to the land.	438
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11-11-12	Widow of Omdut-ul-Omrah—Complaints against the Collector. From the Board.	443-8
	Forwards a petition from her complaining that the Collector has interfered unjustly in a dispute between her and another person relating to a garden which she possesses in Meer Pettah.	
18-11-12	———Reply.	518-24
	The lands purchased by her from Kodambakkam Namasivaya Mudali were purchased on the condition that if on measurement there appeared to be an excess over the stipulated extent the surplus was to be returned to Namasivaya Mudali. The Begam receded from her agreement when she found that there was an excess of 17 grounds.	
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19-11-12	Detention at the custom house—Complaints of.	526
	On the recommendation of the Superintendent of Police Government direct that, in order to encourage the importation of grain in these times of scarcity, the Collector should not detain the dealers at the Custom House for the purpose of registering the quantity of grain, especially at night.	
	Walaipet Burial Ground	
1-12-12	Dispute—Collector's report.	569
	1. The Collector reports that the land under dispute was not regularly ceded to the Christians by the Nawab. It was lying waste for a long time, but when the Christians tried to enclose it the Nawab interfered.	589
	2. The Collector forwards a letter from Father Fulety in which he says that he had almost persuaded the Nawab to give the land to the Christians as a gift when the latter interfered and forced the Nawab to change his mind.	
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	1. The Collector represents that almost all the arrack only remain shut owing to the want of people to set up licences, which, according to the new Police Regulations are to be given by the Police only. The Government have called for proposals in vain. Government are incurring a great loss of revenue.	
	2. The Board directs the Collector to ascertain from the usual renters why they did not take them the licences offered by the Police. The Collector should make them valid arrack, the Board remarks, should be for the amount course, increased by the shutting up of the parties who work shops. The Collector should, the Board says, consider there is a decrease in the sale of arrack, side with the other.	

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	Amildar	
10-12-12	Of St. Thomé—Complaints of conduct. The Collector is directed to report upon two petitions presented to the Board by Tellesinga Gramany and Chitumbala Gramany stating that the amildar of St. Thomé had made various exactions from the toddy drawers and toddy shop-keepers and that he had ill-treated the son of Tellesinga Gramany by having him beaten by his peons and by confining him in his cutchery. The Board called the petitioners before them and is satisfied that the matter requires a careful investigation. The Collector is authorized to suspend the amildar if his suspension would facilitate the enquiry.	641
	Walaipet Burial Ground	
24-12-12	Dispute. Government desire the Collector to settle the dispute with the Christians if he can do so amicably. It is quite probable that the Nawab will consent to relinquish his rights to the land if Government were to request him to do so. But they wish to know the merits of the case before making any representation to His Highness.	655
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28-12-12	Import duty—Orders. (See 987/557-90.)	669
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28-12-12	Licence—Police Regulations—Defects. 1. The Collector reports that he has interviewed several of the people who were in the habit of renting the sale of arrack. They delivered in a paper in which they stated that they were against the system established on the erection of the distilleries and the system of receiving police licences and becoming liable to be punished as common criminals. 2. The decrease in the sale of Batavia arrack is due to the interference of the Justices, who refused to give licences to several of the old shops. At present there are only 4 shops which are open, the remaining 12 being shut up. This causes a loss of revenue amounting to more than Pag. 12,000.	689
	Bills	
31-12-12	Collector's signature—Orders. Government consider that the Collector's name should be printed on the quit-rent bills in order to make them valid. The conicopies will, however, pass a receipt for the amount under their signature, if required by the parties who order the payment. actor,	137

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There is a net increase of about Pag. 4,600 over the revenue of f. 1220. There is a considerable increase in the department of salt. There is a decrease in the revenue derived from the sale of spirituous liquors. The interference of the police has forced many of the usual renters to refrain from making offers. It is essential that the new Police Regulations should be so modified as to induce more people to take licences.

Batavia Arrack

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Import duty—Draft regulations.

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1. The Collector forwards the draft of the proposed Abkari Regulations relating to the import duty on arrack manufactured to the east of the Cape of Good Hope.
2. All such liquors on importation by sea at Madras shall, in addition to the present duty of 8 per cent., pay a duty not exceeding Pag. 150 per leaguer. A period of 3 months will be allowed to pay this duty. Liquor should not be removed from the Sea Custom House without the permission of the Collector of Madras. Arrack should not be sold by wholesale in smaller quantities than 5 leaguers. In addition to the price of the liquor and the import duty the Collector may levy an excise duty not exceeding 1 pagoda per gallon. The licensed retail dealers will be supplied by the Collector at the rate mentioned above. The excise duty will be common to both Batavia arrack and country arrack.
3. In order to discourage the sale of country arrack the Collector suggests that the Magistrates should be empowered to issue licences for the sale of Batavia arrack by people other than punch house keeper and tavern keepers.

Periodical Returns

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Statement of charges for f. 1222.

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The following statements are forwarded:—

- (1) Huzur and district servants.
- (2) Land custom servants.
- (3) Salary and commission.
- (4) Establishment for stamping weights and measures.
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- (6) Survey expenses.
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- (8) Clothing for peons etc.
- (9) Extra revenue charges.
- (10) Pagoda and mosque allowances.
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Quit-rent

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Bills—Signature of the Collector—Orders.

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For lands and gardens held under Government grants, quit-rent bills will be issued under the signature of the Collector, his deputy or his assistant. Also, for lands held under certificates from the Board the signature of the Collector, his deputy or his assistant should be affixed.

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18-3-13	Pensions—Payment at Madras. The Collector is authorized to pay the pensions allotted to the several members of the late jagirdar's family, who are all residing in Madras. Rusheed-I-lah Khan will receive 2/8 of the pension. The remaining 6/8 will be divided equally among the widows and daughters. The pensions should cease on the death of the individuals.	289
	Salt Manufacture	
19-3-13	At Madras—Application from the Mirasidars—Collector's report. The mirasidars request permission to manufacture salt at the Madras pans. The Collector observes that permission to renew the manufacture cannot be granted, but that their claims for compensation on account of the manufacture having been stopped will be considered with proper attention.	281
	Assignment of Land	
21-3-13	Grants—Issue by the Collector—Proposals. 1. Considerable delay and trouble would be saved if the grants were issued by the Collector in the same manner as certificates issued by him. He therefore proposes that he may be empowered to issue grants in all ordinary cases such as renewals for grants for lands in Madras. 2. When a lower quit-rent is proposed to be assessed the Collector will obtain the orders of Government. Similarly, when grants are requested for lands not hitherto held under grants Government will be consulted. As the applicants for grants of land in the provinces are usually Europeans it is desirable that all transfers of such lands should be brought to the notice of Government. 3. The Law officers are of the opinion that the grants can be considered only as legal documents and that the payment of quit-rent cannot be enforced by resuming the lands. The Collector, therefore, proposes to overcome this objection by printing on the back of the grants an endorsement to be signed by the grantees binding themselves to conform to all revenue regulations.	290
	Land Customs	
17-3-13	Indigo—Levy of duty.	293
22-3-13	1. The Collector submitted for the orders of the Board an instance in which Messrs. Parry & Co., claimed a drawback of 3 per cent. on some indigo exported to Europe. The Board decided that when indigo has paid both the inland duty of 5 per cent. and the additional duty of 3 per cent. on importation by land at Madras, the drawback should be allowed on exportation to Europe. If the additional 3 per cent. has been received at any of the subordinate seaports, then the drawback should be made by the Collector of Sea Customs. 2. It is the intention of Government to encourage the importation of indigo into Madras especially for dyeing clothes before exportation. Therefore in no instance should the highest demand on indigo imported by land exceed 8 per cent. on the actual value of the commodity.	299
	Moorat, John Arathoon	
24-3-13	Land dispute. He complains that Mr. J. L. Heefke mortgaged a garden house to him and he now finds that part of it is occupied by native huts.	303

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29-3-13	Ground Rent Grain landed on the Beach—Collector's remarks. The Collector represents that the Sea Customer was in favour of levying an assessment on grain piled on the beach, as may be seen from his correspondence with the Collector. He is unable to explain why he has adopted a different attitude in addressing the Board of Trade on the same question.	324
1-4-13	Salt Manufacture At Madras—Compensation to the Mirasidars—Proposals. The mirasidars withheld their accounts and thus made it impossible for the Collector to calculate the amount which they should be paid as compensation for the discontinuance of the manufacture of salt at the Irungunam pans in Madras. He has been, therefore, forced to make out from his own accounts an estimate which amounts to about Pag. 750 for f. 1221.	326
1-4-13	Salt Atteput and other pans—Restoration of service inams. The Collector proposes to restore certain meras and maniams which were formerly allowed at the Atteput and other pans. The holders of these allowances should in that case be forced to perform diligently their duties at the pans.	331
8-4-13	Land Customs Chopping cloths. Maj.-Genl. Conran's late head servant asks order to chop cloths which he has brought from the country. "I have nineteen pieces of cloths, such as turbans, doobtahs, chintz, mushroos etc."	352
12-4-13	Land Customs Rowanahs—Return to place of issue—Orders. The Collector is directed to bring to account only the additional duty leviable on imports into Madras. He should omit the charges hitherto shown under the head of 'Drawback'. This removes the objection to return the rowanahs to the place of issue. The Civil Auditor will be supplied with a register of the rowanahs instead of the rowanahs themselves, and the latter will be returned to the several districts in order that the several Collectors may discover the frauds that might have been committed.	359
15-4-13	Marine Yard Removal from present site—Proposals. (See 933/21-5.)	367
15-4-13	Assignment of Lands Renewal fees—Notification. (See 933/5-20.)	373
20-4-13	Story's House Salt. From Messrs. Colt, Hart & Co. They have sold the house to Syed Ahmed who wants to add to it a spot of ground in the north-west corner "in a line from the house occupied by Mr. Brodie towards the river for the purpose of making it his boundary. They propose to purchase it from the Government.	380
21-4-13	————Reply. Their request will be complied with.	381-2

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6-5-13	House-tax—Complaints of. The Collector is directed by the Board to report upon a letter received from the Resident at Poona in which it is stated that the Peshwa's Vakeel in Madras named Nagoo Shew Ram has complained to his master that an unusual tax was about to be levied on the house in which he was living. It is represented that the Vakeel lives in Madras only in the capacity of vakeel to the Peshwa and that he is not possessed of any property in Madras.	416
	Quit-rent	
10-7-13	Bills—Collector's signature—Objections to. 1. The Collector Mr. F. W. Ellis represents that the late orders of Government obliging him or his European assistants to sign all quit-rent bills are likely to prevent them from attending to more important work. Since the signature of a European officer is insisted upon only by the Europeans the Collector proposes that their bills may be signed by him, that all other bills may be signed by the amildars and countersigned by the collecting conicopies. This system will act as a check against the frauds usually committed by the conicopies. 2. "A public officer ought to consider no labour too great which essentially promotes the benefit of the public service. But in this country especially where so many are governed by so few, duty rightly understood should prevent the occupation of his time and attention by details which he can safely entrust to his subordinates."	419
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13-5-13	St. Thomas' Mount—New buildings—Proposals. (See 988/14-4, 27-30 and 61-2.)	439
	Girls' School	
24-5-13	Black town—Application for site of yard for scavengers' carts and bullocks. (See 988/31-40; 1012/278.)	449
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25-5-13	Encroachments. To Mr. Waddell. He has no right to enclose the public lane between his house and that of Mr. McNicoll at Chetput. The mirasidars have no right to "sell any road, lane or accustomed way, either public or private."	455-6
	Tobacco	
25-5-13	Muafee rowanahs—Issue—Discussion. 1. The Collector brings to the notice of the Board an instance in which the Collector of Nellore refused to recognize the right of certain merchants to pass their tobacco through his district though they held muafee rowanahs issued by the Collector of Madras. 2. According to the regulations muafee rowanahs are to be recognized by all Collectors. The Collector of Nellore may issue them, but before the tobacco is brought to Madras part of it may become deteriorated in which case the merchants may suffer a loss by being forced to destroy it. If the muafee rowanahs were to be issued by the Collector of Madras the merchants merely give security to him in the first instance and after importing the tobacco pay duty only on the actual quantity that is found to be in a good condition. The Collector, therefore, recommends this system in preference to the other.	456
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Disputes—Further report of Collector.

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1. There are 3 claimants to the land under disputes, (a) H.H. the Nawab, who asserts that the land has been immemorially his and that it has not been alienated to anybody; (b) Padre Fidelis who claims it on account of the church erected on part of the land; and (c) the Christian inhabitants who dispute both of these claims.
2. The Collector is of opinion that Government need not interfere in the matter and that they may at any rate wait and see how the case brought before the Supreme Court for trespass is decided. (Unfinished.)

Arrack

12-8-1813 Decrease in revenue—Explanation.

1. In reply to the observation made by the Board regarding the decrease in the revenue desired from the sale of spirituous liquors the Collector explains the various circumstances which have led to it.
2. The sale of country arrack has ceased entirely on account of the unwillingness of the people to accept licences from the police authorities. The Magistrates are not authorised to increase the number of Batavia arrack shops, with the result that there are only four shops which are selling Batavia arrack. If the Magistrates are empowered to license more shops the revenue must considerably improve.
3. The present fall in revenue is not attended by a fall in the quantity of liquor consumed. Liquor is smuggled in from various places outside the limits of Madras. Illicit distilling of country arrack has also increased, consequent on the absence of licensed shop-keepers whose interest it is to prevent clandestine sale of liquors.

Tobacco

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Muafee rowanahs—Issue—Instructions.

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The Board remarks that the Collector was wrong in issuing muafee rowanahs to persons other than permanent residents of Madras. The issue of muafee rowanahs by the Collectors of the neighbouring districts for the free transit of goods for the consumption of Madras is not objectionable, though not authorised by the regulations. If the practice will be advantageous to the traders steps will be taken to make it regular.

Powder Mill

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Land acquisition—Compensation—Kistnama Naik's claims—Remarks.

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Assignment of Land

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Subedar Shai Muhi-ud-din Khan—Collector's report.

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1. In accordance with the orders of Government, the Collector desired the Subedar to point out the place where he would like to have the 16 cawnies of land which it is the intention of Government to grant him and his heirs for ever.
2. The spot pointed out by him lies in San Thomé, immediately to the south of Mr. Sullivan's gardens. It may be purchased for about Pag 4,800. There are no lands in Madras which are the absolute property of Government. However, there are several lands which have been attached for non-payment of quit-rent. If any of these lands were given to the Subedar, it is quite likely

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	Assignment of Land—cont. that claims may be bought forward later on regarding the ownership of the land. Therefore, Government should either purchase the lands chosen by him in Mylapore, or take steps to legalise the transfer of lands attached by them.	
29-7-13	Salt Manufacture At Madras—Compensation to mirasidars—Orders. Government approve the Collector's proposal to pay to the mirasidars Pag. 756-27 per annum as compensation for the loss sustained by them in being forced to stop the manufacture of salt at their pans. Their amount will be divided among the 34 mirasidars mentioned by the Collector.	131
29-7-13	Salt Meras Attiput etc. pans—Restoration of orders. Government accept the proposals of the Collectors to restore certain meras and maniams formerly attached to the salt pans at Attiput etc.	131
2-8-13	Arrack Decrease in revenue—Government's remarks. Government desire that steps should be taken immediately to put a stop to the loss of revenue. They therefore direct the Collector to consult the Superintendent of Police with a view to ascertaining how far it is practicable to prevent the loss of revenue caused by the entire cessation of the sale of country arrack, and the smallness of the number of shops licensed to sell Batavia arrack. If a modification of the police regulations will mend matters, Government are willing to make the necessary amendments. They call for an early report on the matter with a view to preventing further loss.	143
28-8-13	—Licences—Issue—Notification. 1. The Collector calls for proposals for taking licences for arrack shops, under the following conditions. 2. The parties must state the place where they intend to establish shops, and must obtain a police licence before they commence the sale. On the production of a public licence, a revenue licence will be issued. Licences may be relinquished at 15 days' notice. The quantity to be sold in each shop will be limited, but the tax must be paid on 4½ gallons at least per day. Each man may retail at any rate he likes. Every dealer may sell country arrack or Batavia arrack as he pleases, but country arrack should be purchased only from the distilleries erected by Government.	193
2-9-13	Powder Mills Compensation to Krishnama Naik—Board's opinion. The Board is convinced that compensation ought to be made to the owners of the land in question, but they doubt very much, whether Kistnama Naik is the lawful owner. Therefore, until he establishes his claim to the land no compensation should be made to him.	196
6-9-13	Fishermen's Huts Quit-rent—Exemption application. (See 933/69-86.)	203
20-9-13	Wetherall, Maj.-Genl. F. A. Complains about customs duties. From Maj. Gen. Wetherall. The shawls purchased by him for presenting to his friends in England were charged with a duty of Pag. 46. He demands that this sum should be refunded as the merchants from whom he purchased the shawls would have paid the usual duties in the first instance.	237-3

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30-11-13	He must produce proper certificates to prove that duties have been paid upon them within the Company's territories. ———From Maj. Gen. Wetherall. The shawls were purchased in Bengal by his agents "for the sole purpose of sending them to England as presents and not for any mercantile purpose." His accounts with his agents will support this statement.		476-7
7-12-13	———To the Board.		487-8
18-12-13	The matter is referred to the Board for its decision. ———To Maj. Gen. Wetherall. The inland duty can be refunded if there is proof of sea customs duty having been paid on the shawls.		544-5
20-9-13	Quit-rent Payment—Enforcement—Legality of. (See 988/87-94.)		243
26-9-13	Fishermen's Huts Quit-rent—Collector's report. (See 988/95-110.)		248
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5-10-13	Company's Washing Green Transferred to the Military Department.		261-5
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4-11-13	The ground may be transferred to the military authorities and registered in the name of the Quartermaster-General.		
7-10-13	Black Town Esplanade to the west—Notification. The Collector notifies that the owners of houses, huts etc., situated on the Esplanade should remove them before the 10th of November. After that date all buildings that may remain on it will be demolished. Those who remove their buildings voluntarily will be paid the cost of rebuilding them.		268
11-10-33	Arrack Shops Distance between shops—Notification. It is notified that the distance between shops should be as follows:— (1) From punch house to punch 800 ft. (2) Do. do. to Batavia shop 800 ft. (3) Do. Batavia shop to do. 500 ft.		273
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5-10-13	Jamabandi Report For f. 1222. 1. There is a total decrease of Pag. 95,130-13-70 when compared to the revenue of f. 1221. The collection of land revenue has been impeded by the large arrears standing against several individuals and which have to be realised in preference to the current demand. The Collector suggests that these balances may be removed from the accounts and that only whatever can be realised in future may be entered in the accounts.		323

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2. Under the head of spirituous liquors there is a decrease of about Pag. 35,000 occasioned by the total absence of shops for the sale of arrack. The new regulations may produce an increase of revenue. The revenue derived from toddy has been steady in spite of the operation of the police regulations which prevented them from establishing their shops in the most suitable places.
3. There is a large decrease under land customs owing to the state of affairs in Europe and of the markets in India usually supplied from this port.
4. There was a decrease in the salt revenue but there must have been a corresponding increase in the revenue of Chingleput.
5. The Collector proposes that the fees levied for stamping weights and measures may be continued because the people have been accustomed to it from very early times. This department may be conducted more efficiently by entrusting the several amildars with the duty of examining the weights and measures in the areas under their control.
6. A table of fees paid half-yearly for examining and stamping weights and measures is appended.

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5-11-13	Indigo—Petition from merchants—Board's remarks.	390
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1. Certain merchants engaged in the manufacture of indigo complain that the present state of affairs in Europe is such that the fixed duty of 5 per cent. on all indigo exported to Europe causes a great hardship to them. The tariff valuation of St. Pag. 204-28-15 per candy is higher than the actual market price and a duty of 5 per cent. upon this valuation is as good as a duty of 8 per cent. on the market value.
2. The Board directs the Collector to report upon the present market value of indigo in India and in England and also to furnish particulars of the quantity of indigo which passed through Madras during the last three years. If any concession is to be allowed to the merchants it should be in the nature of a drawback to be allowed at the Sea Custom House, which will have the effect of obliging the indigo required for the consumption of Madras to pay the usual duty.

Tyagapa Naik

16-11-13	Late Poligar of Madras—Pension application—Board's remarks.	423
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The Collector is directed to report upon a petition presented by Tyagapa Naik, late Poligar of Madras, for an addition to his allowance. When the office of poligar was abolished Government granted him a pension of Pag. 100 per month, which they considered was far greater than his usual emoluments. Since Tyagapa Naik has applied for an addition the Board desires the Collector to furnish a statement showing the collections made by or on behalf of the poligar during a series of years, in order that it may finally decide whether an addition should be made.

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30-11-13	1. Two indigo firms inform the Collector that the indigo produced by them sold in London for a price which was only half of that exported from Bengal. The charges including the duties are the same both in Bengal and in Madras. They also represent that the manufacture of indigo has ruined several persons and that no one has found it profitable.	469
3-12-13	2. Messrs. Hunter, Hay & Co., another indigo firm, represent that the price of the coast indigo in England is nearly 2 shillings per pound lower than that of the Bengal indigo.	481
	Native Infirmary	
8-12-13	Madras Free Schools—Application. The Secretary to the Madras Free Schools requests that the lands belonging to the Native Infirmary, which were recently transferred to them by Government, may be exempted from quit-rent. Since the lands were given free they hope that they will be made quit-rent free.	490
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10-12-13	Prevention of—Regulations—Collector's remarks. 1. The Collector replies to the circular calling upon him to give his remarks upon the regulations proposed to be enacted for preventing corrupt practices among the native revenue servants. 2. <i>Security.</i> He is of opinion that it is not always possible to procure an unlimited security or even a fixed security. If security is insisted upon several deserving people will be disqualified from holding offices of trust. An agreement may be demanded from all revenue servants, binding them to make good their defalcations with all the property that they may be possessed of. 3. <i>The oath.</i> Regarding the administration of an oath of office, the Hindus are in general averse to the taking of a prospective oath. Since there is a practice of taking retrospective oaths, a clause may be inserted in the sunnuds of appointment obliging the holders of offices to take such an oath whenever required by the Collector. 4. <i>Bribery.</i> People, who offer bribes to native servants, do not always declare the fact. Whenever it is proved that a person has offered or given bribes he should be severely punished in order that others may be deterred from doing so. 5. <i>Pensions.</i> As an encouragement for the faithful discharge of service the Collector proposes the granting of inams of land to persons retiring from service. This is an ancient practice and is highly appreciated by the people. The native pension fund can never become half so popular as this measure, because people are as a rule averse to allowing any stoppages to be made from their pay.	501
	Sea Customs	
23-12-13	Shell lac—Complaints of tariff price. Mr. Edward Watts, manufacturer of shell lac, complains that the tariff price of Pag. 32½ per candy is much more than what the commodity can bear, especially in the initial stages of the industry. He states that Pag. 15 is as much as it can reasonably be valued at, considering its small value and the great bulk on which the freight to England is about 50 per cent. of the first cost.	550

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24-12-13	Indigo—Complaints of tariff price—Collector's report. The price of indigo at Madras is higher than the tariff price of St. Pag. 204, for superior sorts, but the inferior sorts sell for much less than the tariff price. It is not possible to ascertain the exact quantity manufactured by Europeans and natives respectively. The industry is a very old one and was not introduced by Europeans as stated in the petition of the merchant.	557
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24-12-13	Arrears—Recovery by distraint—Orders. 1. The Collector reported to the Board that the law officers were of opinion that a grant was only a legal document and not a revenue document, and that it was not lawful to distraint the property found on the premises for the recovery of the quit-rent. He therefore suggested that a new clause should be added to grants in future authorising recovery by distraint. The Board recommended these proposals to Government. 2. They consulted the Advocate-General who opined that it was lawful to enforce the payment of quit-rent by distraint and that it was not necessary to add a new clause to the grants. Government, therefore, refused to accept the proposals, but they agreed to allow the Collector to issue the grants in his name provided their previous permission was obtained. The grants may be altered so as to make it lawful to issue them under the signature of the Collector instead of the seal and signature of the Governor in Council.	567

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3-1-14	Subscription—Arrears statement.	14
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5-1-14	Shell lac—Complaints of tariff price. The Collector informs Mr. Edward Watts that the tariff price of shell lac is not higher than the market price of the article in Madras. If he desires that any special encouragement should be shown to the industry he should address the Government.	36
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24-1-14	Quit-rent—Exemption application. 1. The Secretary to the Nawab represents that the houses and gardens belonging to the Nawab's predecessors had always been exempted from quit-rent. The Nawab is not unable to pay the amount that may be demanded from him but desires the exemption only as a mark of respect due from Government to their ally.	76
26-1-14	2. The Collector replies that Government have considered the matter at length and have directed that the exemption should be allowed only to the extent authorised by them and that no new certificates or grants should be issued free of quit-rent to the Nawab or any of his family.	99

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24-1-14	Demand—Refund of duties on shawls. From Maj.-Genl. Wetherall. He considers that the duty of Pag. 46 levied from him is excessive considering the value of the shawls, viz., Rs. 546. He therefore requests that the excess money may be refunded to him.	79-80
28-1-14	———Reply. It is impossible to ascertain now whether the valuation of the shawls was excessive because they have already been exported to England.	101-2
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17-11-14	Customs Cardamoms and cloves—Tariff price. The Board agrees with the Collector in considering that Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co., have not made out a case for lowering the tariff price of cardamoms and cloves. The Board cannot think of a better mode of appraising the articles than by a fixed tariff price, which is a practice widely prevalent in all countries noted for their commerce. The tariff prices at Madras are as a rule very favourable to the merchants. However, in order to obviate similar complaints, the Collector should publish beforehand the day on which the tariff prices will be fixed so that merchants may make any representations that they may have to make regarding the accuracy or the inaccuracy of the proposed prices.	260.
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	2. Mylapore is divided into 3 watches, viz., Tengur, Vadagur, and Pattanapattu. Since the robbery took place within the limits of the Pattanapattu watch, the other two watches refuse to accept responsibility for the loss. The people, however, state that according to usage all the three watches are equally responsible.		
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	Individuals is exhausted and when it is no longer possible to obtain liquor that has not paid the import duty or excise. Smuggling of tobacco has been so frequent that there is a decrease of about Pag. 20,000 under this head. A large number of seizures were effected, but the punishment meted out to the smugglers was obviously not deterrent. The Collector suggests that the practice of whipping may be resumed, because the lower castes among the natives fear nothing so much as corporal punishment.	
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28-2-15	2. The Magistrate replies that the Collector ought to have furnished him with a list of the licences that might have been granted for selling liquors within the jurisdiction of the Magistrate of Chingleput. The Collector should also see that permission to sell is restricted to the time specified in the regulations.	167
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30-6-15	Country Arrack Renting notification. 1. The Collector invites proposals for renting the manufacture and sale of country arrack. The conditions are as follows:— There will be as many divisions as there are taluks, viz., 6. These are Tondiarpettah, the Eastern, the Western, Egmore, Pudupakam and St. Thomé. The number of shops in each division within the limits of the Supreme Court is limited, but beyond these limits an unlimited number of shops may be opened. 2. The manufacture of country arrack will be restricted to the Government distilleries where distillation may be carried under the surveillance of the Collector's peons. The renters should obtain a police licence before applying for a revenue licence. If the site chosen by the renter is objected to by the Police he will have to remove it to another situation. There will be no restriction upon the amount of the liquor to be sold or the price at which it may be sold. Any renter may supply the punch houses and Batavia arrack shops with country arrack provided the renter of the division in which they are situated has no objection to his supplying them.	447
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2. Vernacular records.

The vernacular correspondence is not copied fair, because the trouble of copying it is too great. The letters received from the amildars etc., are pasted into books and the drafts of letters sent are also preserved for reference. The accounts are kept in Tamil. The accounts relating to the period before 1810 are incomplete, most of them having been destroyed by vermin and damp. Cadjan leaves are used for preparing the accounts and these are bundled up and arranged by the samparti and conicopies of the several departments to which they belong.

3. Staff.

The Collector suggests that a record-keeper may be appointed.

Salt Pans

3-8-15

Abolition of manufacture—Compensation to Mirasidars.

The Mirasidars of the Irungunam salt pans refused for a long time to accept the annual compensation ordered to be paid to them as compensation for giving up the manufacture in their pans. Now they consent to receive their respective shares provided Government will give them a certificate authorising them to receive this amount for all time. The Collector submits a form of the certificate that may be granted to them.

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Collector of Madras

3-8-15

Salary and commission—Orders of the Court of Directors.

The Court approve the amalgamation of the offices of the Collector of Madras and the Collector of land customs, but the total income by way of salary and commission received by the Collector and his assistant is exorbitant. As it is the Collector will receive about Pag. 9,000 per mensem and his assistant about Pag. 4,500. This should be reduced to Pag. 7,500 in the case of the Collector and the emoluments of his assistant should not exceed those of an Assistant Collector in an unsettled district.

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Country Arrack

22-8-15

Renting cowls.

1. The Collector represents to the Board that he has received no offers to rent the country arrack divisions on the terms notified by him. Four persons, however, have offered to take up all the divisions for an annual rent of Pag. 25,000 which though low is the best offer under the circumstances. The Collector forwards the draft of a cowl proposed to be issued to the renters.

2. They may open 50 shops within the limits of the Supreme Court and an unlimited number beyond the limits. For the 50 shops it is necessary to obtain police licences also. For the others, the Collector will issue his own licences. The renters are at liberty to sub-rent the shops. They may sell at any price they like provided, it is not less than 75 cash per dram within the limits of the Supreme Court. Liquor may be sold to be drunk outside the shop if the quantity sold is more than 1 quart and is accompanied by a permit given by a Magistrate or Justice of the Peace. The thirty-five punch houses which are already established will continue to sell a limited quantity of country arrack every day. If they want to sell more they should obtain the permission of the renters. The rules regarding punch

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	houses and Batavia shops will not be altered so long as they hold the rent. Manufacture of the liquor will be restricted to the 2 Government distilleries.	
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1-9-15	Reward for destruction. To the Board. The Collector recommends a reward of Pag. 5 to Serg. Thomson for destroying a hyena within the limits of the Collectorate.	640-1
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14-10-15	Punch house-keeper—Complaint. 1. The punch house-keeper and Batavia arrack shop-keepers complained to the Collector and the Board that the existing regulations are such as to make them great losers by selling Batavia arrack. 2. The Collector thinks that the only point worth consideration is the rule enforcing the sale of a minimum quantity of arrack every day. Whether the shop-keeper is actually able to sell so much or not he is bound to pay the daily tax of 3 pagodas upon it. If he demands a larger quantity he has to pay the tax upon the extra quantity. If he sells less he suffers a loss, while Government realise the gain if he sells more. The petitioners desire an uncontrolled charge of their liquor, but this may lead to adulteration. This is not, however, so easy because liquor at 25 per cent. under London proof, cannot bear much further deterioration in its quality.	754
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	Kotwal	
23-10-15	Krishnama Naik's family—Pension. To the Native Pension Fund. 1. The Collector recommends a pension of Pag. 10 for the family of Krishnama Naik, late Kotwal of Madras.	780-3
27-10-15	2. The Collector replies that under Reg. I of 1808 these shopkeepers are under the authority of the Zillah Court of Chingleput and that according to the renters' cawle, the amount of sale and the retail price are to be unrestricted.	789

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21-11-15	Mr. Harris, the Deputy Collector-in-Charge, reports that he has suspended Appasamy Mudaliar for levying a tax on certain toddy shops which were unlicensed, and utilising the amount for his own use. He is also found guilty of ordering a conicopy under him to disburse from public funds various sums on his private account.	840
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	Smuggling	
4-12-15	Of cloths—Alteration in the rowanah. The Collector of Masulipatam reported 2 cases in which some pieces of clothes were smuggled through one of his chowkis, under a rowanah issued by the Collector of Madras. These rowannahs did not specify the value of each item and it was therefore possible for the persons to pass through the chowki goods other than those for which the rowanah was originally issued. The Collector of Madras is, therefore, directed to specify the value of each item intended to be passed under a rowanah. The practice of stamping the rowanahs with a facsimile of the Collector's name should also be discontinued.	866
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-12-15	Amildar of St. Thomé—Prosecution—Proposed. The Deputy Collector-in-Charge reports a further instance of misappropriation of public funds by the amildar. In this connection he represents that under the existing regulations revenue servants are not amenable to the Zillah Court of Chingleput. The Collector is authorized only to attach and sell their property for realising the amounts appropriated by them. It is not clear whether these persons may be prosecuted in the Supreme Court, because the regulations expressly made for districts lying outside the bounds of the Supreme Court may also be applied to the places lying within its limits.	886
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-12-15	Monthly statement—Board's remarks. It is essential that the statement should contain an abstract of the circumstances under which goods are seized. Otherwise the native servants of the Land Customs department are likely to make unjust seizures in the hope of sharing the profits of confiscation. If they are always obliged to give particulars of the seizure they will be less prone to fabricate false statements.	897

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18-12-15	1. Several sepoys of the 1st Battalion were detected in the act of smuggling in a cart-load of tobacco from Madaveram, a village two miles distant from the land custom mettoo. They had registered the Custom House peons when they tried to seize them. Some of the peons and other people who came to their assistance were wounded with bayonets and stones. 2. The Collector reported the matter to the Officer Commanding the battalion and the Board in order that effective steps might be taken to prevent such serious instances of smuggling. As the sepoys go about in large parties the peons incur a great risk in seizing them. The Collector recommends a reward to the wounded peons.	941	
19-12-15	European Burial Ground New site to be chosen. From the Military Board. The ground allotted at Madras as a burial ground is "too small and other inconveniences attend interment on that spot." The Collector is requested to suggest some other ground "in the vicinity of either St. George's Chapel or beyond the Esplanade of the Fort."	952	
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20-3-16	From Messrs. Edward Vaughan etc. Government have directed them to ascertain the price of the ground adjoining the church. The Collector is to enquire if the possessor of the ground, "Tottecala Vedachala Mudaliar, the son of old Kesava Mudaliar" whether he will sell the ground and at what price.	320	
2-1-16	Assignment of Land Renewal of grants—Increase of quit-rent. 1. In connection with an application made by the executor of the late Mr. Latour for a new grant for certain lands transferred to Mr. Latour, it was suggested by the Collector that an increased quit-rent should be inserted in the grant. He represented that it had been the practice since the time of Sami Naik, who was the Collector of Quit-rent in 1800. Though no written orders are traceable authorising such a procedure it is presumed that he had the verbal orders of the Board to do so.	3	

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	2. The present Board is of the opinion that Government have no right to increase the quit-rent when an application for renewal is made. When Government have already disposed of their property in the land on certain conditions they have no right subsequently to alter those conditions to their own profit. If the value of the land has increased the benefit should go to the tenant.	
	3. Government entirely agree with this view.	
	Land Customs	
3-1-16	H.H. the Nawab of the Carnatic—Exemption proposals. From time to time articles arrive at the land custom house which are claimed by the Nawab's wakil as property belonging to His Highness. This practice is liable to be abused. The Collector, therefore, suggests that in future the Political Agent alone should be authorized to claim exemption for goods intended for the Nawab.	14
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4-1-16	Night patrols—Appointment of. The Board directs the Collector to appoint night patrols of peons for detecting smugglers. As the revenue derived from tobacco has diminished considerably the Collector should suggest the best means of rewarding the detection and seizure of smuggled tobacco.	19
	Flood Damage	
6-1-16	Tanks and salt heaps—Report to the Board. A heavy fall of rain filled all the tanks in Madras and caused them to break their banks. The Collector, with the help of the Superintending Engineer, has carried out such of the repairs as had to be carried out immediately in order to prevent damage to crops etc. The floods have washed away a large quantity of salt from the salt depot. The heaps which were protected by palm leaves were not secure from the rain. The situation of the depot is very low and it is consequently necessary to transfer it to some elevated ground. The land custom house, which is proposed to be abandoned for a new building, may be utilized for this purpose. The charges will thereby be increased only by one pagoda per garce.	23
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18-1-16	Servants—Differences with the Police. The Collector is directed by the Board to report upon a letter received from the Government Agent at Chepauk complaining that the Collector's peons are alleged to have tried to enter forcibly into a garden belonging to the Nawab. A person named Vengoo Chitty had preferred a claim to garden, but the Agent had in his possession a document to prove the Nawab's right. His Highness's servants, who obstructed the Collector's peons were summoned before the Magistrate by the Superintendent of Police but the Nawab refused to send them before the Magistrate denying the right of the Superintendent to interfere with his servants. The Agent requests the orders of Government regarding the jurisdiction of the police authorities over the Nawab's followers.	92

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31-1-16	2. The Magistrate admits the propriety of allowing this privilege.	112
1-2-16	———Outside the limits of the Supreme Court—Restrictions on Board's remarks. 1. The Board observes that the cowl given to the arrack renters allows them to establish an unlimited number of shops and to sell at any price they like outside the limits. This induces many persons to go outside the limits of the Supreme Court in order to indulge their passion for strong liquors. The Board desires to put a stop to the vice even at the sacrifice of revenue. The Collector is therefore directed to report on the best means of placing the sale of country arrack beyond the limits of the Supreme Court but within his jurisdiction on the same footing as the sale of that article within the first mentioned limits. 2. The Collector replies that though the cowl states an unlimited sale, an unlimited price and an unlimited number of shops, actual experience has shown that the renters are unable to sell at a price much lower than that in the shops situated within the limits. The prime cost of arrack coupled with the excise duty upon it and the renter's expenses on the shop raise the cost of the commodity sufficiently high.	146
22-2-16	3. To restrict the quantity consumed by the people is impossible because if there is a demand for a commodity it will be supplied by some means or other. If the legal supply is restricted clandestine sale will take its place. In this instance the very large number of stills and shops established in Chingleput adjacent to the limits of Madras is a never failing source of clandestine supply. Since renting the shops outside the limits of the Supreme Court, this has been stopped to a great extent by renters' vigilance. 4. If the Board still desires to restrict the price and the number of shops it may be done at the end of the term of contract. This excise duty may also be raised. Perhaps, the bark of the "vel valam" tree which is an ingredient used in distillation may be taxed with a higher inland duty than now. But whatever method may be adopted it is essential that that method should be extended to the shops situated in Chingleput and adjacent to the limits of Madras.	150
	Jamabandi Report	
1-3-15	For f. 1224. There is a net increase of more than Pag. 18,000 over the revenue of f. 1223. The collections under quit-rent would have been greater had not the collecting concoplies been detained in the office for nearly two months for the purpose of detecting certain extensive frauds committed by some of them. The abkari revenue shows no decrease. The revenue derived from land customs has increased by nearly 1/5 of what it was in the last fasli. This indicates that the export trade of Madras is showing signs of improving. Several	203

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	seizures of betel and tobacco were made with the result that the revenue from that source shows an increase of more than Pag. 7,000. There is an increase under the stamping duties owing to the detection of certain fraudulent practice.	
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7-3-16	Recovery by distraint—Remarks of the Court of Directors. The Court of Directors consider that the houses must be considered as security for the ground rent and that "the exercise of a justifiable rigour in a few instances against defaulters would be the most effectual means of ensuring a more punctual discharge of the public dues."	220
	Tondiarpet	
12-3-16	Salt and sandy lands—Revision of assessment. The Collector represents that several salt and sandy lands lying in Tondiarpettah have been assessed at Pag. 1½ per cawni which is far more than the real value of those lands. These rates were imposed by Sami Naik, the Collector of Quit-rent in 1800. It is necessary that they should be surveyed again and such of them as are unproductive should be allowed a remission of quit-rent. New grants need not be given but an endorsement may be made on the old ones to the effect that the quit-rent is reduced until further orders to Pag. 1 per cawni.	231
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1-4-16	Enumeration of trees—Proposals. As a preliminary to renting the sale of toddy, the Collector proposes to depute a small establishment to enumerate the trees (palmyras, coconuts and dates) in each taluk, and to find out the actual amount paid by the toddy-drawers by way of tax upon these trees.	278
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8-4-16	Prosecution—Amildar of St. Thomé's case. Replying to the question raised by Mr. Harris, the late Deputy Collector in charge, regarding the legality of prosecuting the amildars and other revenue servants in the Supreme Court or the Zillah Court of Chingleput, the Board says that his doubts are unfounded. Regulation XXXIII of 1802 for the recovery of all public money is not expressly limited to the districts outside the limits of the Supreme Court. It is therefore presumed, as is the case with several other regulations, that the Collector and his subordinates are all amenable to the Court of Chingleput under section XXXIV of Regulation III of 1802, which says that "all native officers" as well as the Collector and his assistant are amenable to the Zillah Court "for any acts done by them cognizable therein under the existing regulations."	391

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22-4-16	Renting proposals—Board's remarks. The Board desires the Collector to report fully the precise conditions upon which he would propose to rent the sale of toddy. It is necessary that excessive drinking and intoxication at the shops beyond the limits of the Supreme Court should be prevented. The Board suggests that the renters should be obliged to keep a Sirkar peon at each of the shops to see that terms of the cowle are adhered to.	428
	Banyans' Garden	
23-4-16	Encroachments. To the Police Magistrate. The heads of the Banya caste have complained to the Collector that a person named Gundavedi Subbaraya Chetti is erecting a building in the garden which is a charity land belonging to the whole community. He may be prohibited from doing so.	518-9
	Collector of Madras	
25-4-16	Salary and commission—Remarks of the Court of Directors. 1. The average emoluments of the Collector of Madras and his assistant including salary and commission, are computed at about Pag. 9,000 and Pag. 5,000 respectively. This is entirely in contravention of the orders already issued by the Court of Directors, viz., that the Collector should receive no more than Pag. 7,500 per annum and his assistant no more than what an Assistant Collector in an unsettled district receives. All the collections over and above this limit should be brought to the credit of Government. 2. Government direct that the Board and the Civil Auditor should not take any action until a reply to a further reference on this subject is received from England.	522
	Arrack Shops	
25-4-16	Adyar etc.—Prohibited sites—Orders. 1. The Board directs the Collector to receive an arrack shop established near the ruins of the bridge across the river Adyar on account of its proximity to the residence of European gentlemen. 2. In this connection the Collector is advised not to allow any shop to be established within the "limits of the villages of Cotoor, Adyar, Aminjicaray, Kilpauk and other villages that are in the immediate vicinity of the established residence of the European community, or so immediately on the borders of the limits of the jurisdiction of Madras as defined by the boundary stones erected in 1799."	523
	Collector of Madras	
27-4-16	Salary and commission—Collector's opinion. 1. The Collector represents that the Civil Auditor has already communicated to him the remarks of the Court of Directors and had directed him to draw no more than Pag. 625 per month. In his reply to the Civil Auditor he had stated that Government had not prescribed the exact method of procedure to be adopted in order to carry out the proposals of the Court of Directors. It is the Collector's opinion that "the fees received by the Collector in the land customs cannot be considered the same as the salary and commission allowed for the administration of the land revenue as they are confirmed to him by the regulation by which the duties themselves are imposed, and can only be abolished by the revision of such part of the regulation as relates to them." In the absence of such revision the orders of the Court of	530

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2. Government accept this suggestion pending further orders from England and instruct the Civil Auditor accordingly.		
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Encroachment in Baniyans' Agraharam—Police interference—Report.		
1. The Collector reports an instance of interference by the police in the execution of an order issued by him to his peons. One Gundavedi Subbaroydoo attempted to construct a wall in the agraharam belonging to the members of the Baniyan caste, contrary to usage. The agraharam forms part of a garden endowed as a charity by Government. When the Collector ordered Subbaroydoo to stop the work he refused to do so on the strength of an order issued by the Magistrates. Upon this the Magistrates were requested to send a copy of this order, which they refused to do. The Collector next ordered his peons to demolish the wall, which they immediately did. Soon after two European constables came and caused the wall to be built again.		
2. In connection with this incident the Collector represents that the Supreme Court has no jurisdiction over disputes and matters relating to the occupancy of land, and similar affairs of a revenue nature. In support of this view he quotes Act 37 of George III which says, "Nor shall the said court have or exercise any jurisdiction in any matter concerning the revenue under the management of the said Governor and Council respectively, either within or beyond the limits of the said town, . . . or concerning any act done according to the usage or practice of the country or the regulations of the Governor and Council."		
3. Police interference in matters relating to revenue affairs is likely to make the task of collecting the Government dues more difficult than what it is now, because by being encouraged to set aside the orders of the Collector by another authority the revenue officers will not be treated with due consideration by the people.		
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Arrack Shops		
Sites of—Proposals.		
1. The Board directs the Collector to prepare a sketch of the country round the limits of the Supreme Court to a distance of 8 miles, with a view to selecting the most proper sites for establishing shops. A list of the villages situated within this area is also required.		
2. Meanwhile the Board calls for a report on the practicability of placing the shops situated beyond the 8 miles limit under public native servants. Under this plan no arrack of inferior quality will be sold within this area and more restrictions may be placed on the sale of arrack than is possible at present.		
3. The Superintendent of Police should be consulted with a view to placing a police peon over each shop within the limits of the Supreme Court. Their pay should be met out of the fees received for licences. Drunkenness would then come under the immediate cognizance of the Police, and riots and disturbances will be checked.		

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28-5-16	Exemption from inland duties—Collector's remarks.	616
	1. It has been the practice for a long time to exempt the Nawab's property from paying inland duty. It originated perhaps at the time when the Nawab rented the land customs of Madras. The sum thus remitted to His Highness amounts to about Pag. 3,000 per annum, the major part of which is on account of betel and tobacco.	
	2. The Collector recommends that this privilege may be continued to him but that in order to prevent abuses it should be stipulated that articles will be passed through the chowkies only on the production of certificates issued by the Political Agent.	

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2-6-1816	Farming proposals. (See 999/299-356.)	631
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	Gallows	
3-8-16	Near new jail—Acquisition of land for. The Collector is directed to report whether it is possible to purchase the lands lying to the north of the new jail for the purpose of erecting new gallows and drop.	644
	Arrack Shops	
20-6-16	Outside the limits of the Supreme Court—Selection of sites. 1. In the cawle that may be issued to the renters of the ensuing fasli it should be specified that the sites selected for opening shops outside the limits of the Supreme Court should be approved by the Collector. The shops in Chingleput adjoining the bounds of Madras will be transferred to the Collector of Madras in order to "include these limits under an improved system." The retail price should be fixed and should be enforced under a heavy penalty.	667
24-6-16	2. The shops situated within the new limits should be transferred to the Collector of Madras to whom the Collector of Chingleput should forward a list of villages situated in that area.	680
	Sherman, Mr. J. S.	
29-6-16	Complains of unjust assessment. From Mr. Sherman. He considers that it is unjust to demand of him the large arrears of quit-rent which had accumulated on the houses purchased by him from Mr. Wright in Mount Road and from Messrs. Bruce & Scott in Popham's street, before he purchased them.	712-5
6-8-16	———Reply.	880-1
27-8-16	As the transfers were not registered as they ought to have been in the Collector's cutcherry it is impossible to ascertain what portion of the arrears is due by him and what by the others.	999-1001

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	Assignments of Lands	
26-6-16	Military stations—Statement of grants.	684
	Wells	
4-7-16	Construction—Proposals. (See 989/357-72.)	742
	Betel, Tobacco and Ganja	
15-7-16	Renting proposals. The Collector proposes to rent the duties leviable on the betel garden and the tobacco and gunjah imported into Madras, experience having shown that it is much more profitable than aumani. The betel gardens will be offered to the gardeners in the first instance because they have an interest in the gardens. But public proposals may be invited for renting tobacco etc.	743
	Land Custom House	
22-7-16	New site—Collector's proposals. There are two convenient sites to either of which the present land custom house offices may be removed. One is in Egmore, opposite to the house of Mr. J. Defries. The other site is that of the present Naval hospital buildings which are likely to be vacated consequent on the removal of the Marine establishment to Trincomalee. The Naval hospital may be converted into a suitable land custom house and the old land custom house may be demolished and the ground utilized for keeping the bullocks and carts arriving at the land custom house.	769
	Arrack Shops	
25-7-16	Cantonment limits—Board's remarks. The Collector is directed to receive charge of the shops included within the limit of 8 miles from the limits of the Supreme Court. The several shops that are found to have been established within 4 miles from the Mount cantonment should be removed. The Collector may, however, report if he can arrange for the sale of arrack in Saidapet. For this purpose he is directed to consult the Officer Commanding at the Mount and if he should have no objection the Collector should establish one shop there and place it in charge of one of his subordinates.	787
3-8-16	Supervision proposals. 1. <i>Amani.</i> The Collector forwards a list of the foreign liquor shops, country arrack shops, and toddy shops within the limits of the Supreme Court and outside those limits. He objects to the proposal of the Board regarding the shops outside the limits, viz., that the Collector should entrust those shops to his servants. This is not a practicable measure because no respectable Hindu will agree to sell liquor, and because experience has shown that whenever a shop was taken under amani it was worked at a loss and was, besides, the source of several complaints. It is not advisable to entrust a shop to a low paid servant because the temptation to commit frauds will be too much for him. 2. <i>Renting.</i> With a view to providing for the same kind of supervision over the shops outside the limits as exists now over those placed within, the Collector proposes that proposals may be invited for renting together the shops inside and outside the limits. The number of shops to be established outside the limits will be restricted to 50, which is 40 less than what is at present. The sale price of arrack will be restricted to a minimum of 55 cash per dram. The renter will be held responsible for conducting the shops properly.	820

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Arrack Shops—cont.		
	3. The one shop that is proposed to be established in Saidapet will also be rented to him, if finally decided on, upon conditions which will be stipulated later on.	
Customs Drawback		
8-8-16	Goods exported to England—Orders.	886
	1. On the recommendation of the Board of Trade, Government direct that a drawback of all duties over $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent, which might have been levied, shall be paid at the time of export to England. The Board of Revenue had proposed that the rowanahs on which the drawback is allowed should specify the various kinds of duty paid by the goods at the inland chowkies or at the subordinate seaports, in order that the proper proportion of the drawback may be received in the Land Custom department. But this involves a great deal of labour and frequent exchange of rowanahs. 2. It is therefore decided that at the time of export to England a duty of $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. only should be levied and that if more has been paid at any other place the excess should be returned by the Collector of Sea Customs on the production of the rowanahs. In order to give the proportion due upon goods imported from other ports to the Sea Customs department it is directed that the drawback should be divided between the two departments in the proportion of their usual income from general drawbacks. 3. <i>The Investment.</i> As for the Company's investment the land customs peons should not interfere with the Company's weavers. The Commercial Residents will issue certificates for the cloths woven by the weavers and the lands customs peons should not detain them on any account until they come to the Sea Customs department where they will be valued and taxed with a duty of $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	
Wells		
15-8-16	Construction of—Orders. (See 989/377-81.)	914
Poonamalle Burial Ground		
15-8-16	Consecration.	920-2
	From the Board.	
	The Collector is to state whether a grant may be issued for the ground which has been used as a cemetery. The Archdeacon proposes to consecrate the ground "according to the rites and rubric of the United Church of England and Ireland" provided there is no objection to issuing the grant.	
Arrack Shops		
19-8-16	Supervision—Board's remarks.	965
	1. The Board approves the Collector's proposal to rent together the shops lying within and without the limits of the Supreme Court and exercise the same kind of control over both. The Collector should be careful in choosing the sites of shops. The Board approves the proposal to oblige the renters and subrenters to take out a licence for each shop and to hold both the agent and principal responsible for any breach of the conditions of the licence.	
21-8-16	2. A notification is published calling for proposals to rent the sale of arrack.	976

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3-9-1816 **European Burial Ground**
Land acquisition.

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To the Committee of St. George's Church.

"Insuperable obstacles at present oppose the purchase of the ground of which Tottecala Vedachala Mudali the grandson of Kesava Mudali is stated to be the possessor."

4-9-16 **Kapaleswar Temple**

At Mylapore—Subbaroya Mudali's gift.

1034

1. Pammala Subbaroya Mudali had endowed the temple with about 50 cawns of ground which he purchased for that purpose. When he applied for a grant for these lands free of quit-rent the Collector refused to recommend an exemption, and so the grants were never issued.

2. On the death of Subbaroya Mudali his legal representatives tried to possess themselves of these lands, but the Collector handed them over to the new churchwarden as there was ample proof of the genuineness of the gift. The parties now brought a suit in the Supreme Court against the Collector.

10-9-16

3. In a similar case which arose in 1803 Government empowered the Collector to defend the suit at public expense. He, therefore, proposes that this suit also should be defended at public expense. Suing the Collector rather than the trustees is the correct mode of procedure in such cases. Permission is granted.

1074

Land Custom House

9-9-16

Purchase of a new building.

1044-5

From the Board.

If the valuation put upon his house by Mr. Waddell is not reduced to what may be considered reasonable the Collector may, in communication with the Superintending Engineer, procure another site for a new land custom house.

H.H. The Nawab of the Carnatic

10-9-16

Lands and houses in Madras—Statement of.

1049

The Collector forwards a list of the houses and gardens owned by the Nawab and his relations within the limit of the Supreme Court. Grants have been taken out by the present owners only for a few of those. No grants have been issued for the rest because the possessors refuse to accept them except on the condition of exemption from quit-rent, which the Collector could not agree to because they were all recently purchased.

Gallows

11-9-16

Land acquisition for.

1079-80

12-9-16

From the Sheriff.

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The proprietors of the ground at the back of the jail are willing to dispose of it for the purpose of erecting the new gallows and drop.

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23-11-16

———To the Board.

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Part of the ground required by the Sheriff is an inam which is not supported by titles, and belongs to the Government. The remaining portion is offered by the mirasidars for St. Pag. 844.

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19-9-16	Betel and Ganja Renting—Board's remarks. The Board approves the Collector's proposal to rent the betel gardens situated within the home farm villages. Though a preference may be given to the gardeners bidding should not be restricted to them alone. The duty on opium etc., may be rented but it will still be necessary to help the renter in detecting illicit importation.	1099
21-9-16	Drainage Mount Road—Improvements. From the Superintending Engineer. He has been ordered to "adopt measures for draining off the waters which during the monsoon accumulate to the southward of the Mount Road at the junction of the Triplicane Street near the gardens of the Right Honourable the Governor." The natural course of these waters along the western side of the road into the river a little above the Governor's Bridge is obstructed by the building newly erected in that neighbourhood. The Collector is to ascertain whether there are any encroachments.	1111-3
26-9-16	Misconduct Revenue servants—Proceeding against—Instructions. The Board permits the Collector to dismiss Sahadeva Moodaly and Venkatachala Pillay though it is not clear from the Collector's report whether he heard what they had to say in their own defence. In future care should always be taken to obtain their statements on oath and to transmit the substance of such statements to the Board in order that the guilt or the innocence of the parties may be discovered.	1122
27-9-16	Dent's Garden Title deeds. From Mr. Edward Dent. He requests that the original title deeds of the garden in Vepery, for which a grant was issued in 1802 in the name of Cotton Bowerbank Dent, Esq., may be returned to him.	1126-7
28-9-16	Customs Personal—Cloths—Chopping—Collector's opinion. 1. New cloths worn by persons, even though they have the appearance of having been worn before, are seized if found without the chop. Cloths once washed are seldom seized. If they are seized for any reason they are chopped gratuitously. 2. "The detaining of all cloth indiscriminately should continue as at present and the restoration of it should be left to the judgment of the European officers, for if any latitude in this respect were given the peons, extensive fraud would inevitably ensue. The necessity of an application by the owner to the cutcherry even when the cloth is restored constitutes also a species of minor punishment appropriate to the irregularity committed and tends in its effects to check the introduction of unchopped goods."	1130
1-10-16	Poonamalle Burial Ground Grant. To the Board. The ground in question belongs to a mirasidar named Sivapada Mudali. It has to be purchased from him before a grant is issued.	1153-7

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14-10-18	Official Dispute	1179
	Magistraterial clerk's letter—Collector's objection to. The Police Magistrates represented to Government that the Collector of Madras had refused to receive a letter written by their clerk in reply to one received from the Collector. The appointment of the clerk was approved by Government and it has been usual with them to communicate with other persons through this person. The Collector, however, took exception to this letter and addressed the Magistrates in rather strong language. Government consider that the Magistrates meant no offence to the Collector by corresponding with him through their clerk, and that the Collector's letter is written in a style which they do not approve.	
14-10-18	Quit-rent	1194
	Amildar's signature on bills—Validity of. (See 989/401-9.)	
16-10-18	Native Fund	1202
	Claims—Discussion. Replying to a letter received from the Secretary to the Native Fund, the Collector states that by the term 'family' is meant not merely the wife and children of a person, but also other close relations who have a claim upon him according to usage. Thus a widowed grandmother has a claim upon her granddaughter. Her parents or brothers are not expected to look after her when once she is married. If claims to the native pensions can be received only from the wives and children of a deceased public servant, it is but fair that such of them as have none should be exempted from contributing to the Fund.	
23-10-18	Sankara Sastri, B.	1218-9
	Appointed Sarishtadar. (See 1016/850.) To the Board. The Collector recommends that Sankara Sastri, who resigned his post as Sarishtadar to accept that of Head English Master in the College may be re-appointed as Sarishtadar according to his request.	
2-11-18	Land Custom House	1248
	Construction proposals. (See 939/418-9.)	
4-11-18	Ennore Salt Pans	1254
	Manufacture—Compensation proposals. A certain person named C. Mootiah Mudaliar claims compensation for the loss sustained by him owing to the prohibition of manufacture of salt in 20 cawnis of land at Ennore. His father had been granted a cowle in 1801 permitting him to manufacture salt for 10 years on rent of Pag. 400 to be paid by annual instalments. Since the Ennore pans are now under the control of the Collector of Madras, the Board desires that officer to report upon the merits of the claim and the compensation that he would propose to be paid. The Collector is also directed to report whether it is possible to allow the petitioner to manufacture salt during the unexpired portion of his lease, in which the question of compensation would not arise.	
16-11-18	Jamabandi Report	1281
	For f. 1225. There is a net increase of about Pag. 21,000 over the revenue of f. 1224. The collection under land revenue would have been greater if the collecting conicopies had not been detained in the cutchery in connection with the frauds committed by	

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the amildar of Mylapore etc. The revenue derived from the sale of spirituous liquors shows an increase of more than Pag. 21,000 which has to be attributed to the good effects of renting the sale of country arrack and the consequent prevention of smuggling. There has been no increase under land customs which speaks for the dullness of trade, especially the trade with Europe.

Land Custom House

18-11-16

Land acquisition—Mr. Waddel's offer.

Mr. Waddel offers his house and adjoining lands situated in Egmore to Government as a suitable site for the construction of a new land custom house. He is prepared to accept the valuation that may be put upon it by the Superintending Engineer and the Collector of Madras. As the Collector has already reported that the site is very convenient, he is direct to arrange with Mr. Waddel to buy it.

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Quit-rent

23-11-16

Renting—Notification.

1. The Collector invites proposals for renting the collections of quit-rent. The amount of the quit-rent leviable for 1226 is Pag. 5,896-2-28. Arrears of 1. 1220-5, amounting to Pag. 17,026-24-72 are also to be realised. The lease will last for 3 years during which the arrears will have to be liquidated. If an increase of ground rent takes place the renter must pay a proportionable sum in addition to his rent. Poligars' fees should not be collected upon the houses of Europeans, Armenians and Portuguese, situated in streets commonly occupied by these people.

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2. Proposals may be made to rent in 2 ways:—

(a) By becoming responsible for the whole amount without any right to exemption; and

(b) by submitting an account at the end of the 3 years and returning the bills that have not been discharged, for which a remission will be allowed to the renter. In this case the offers must be much higher than in the other case.

3. The renter should present his bills 3 times before obtaining a warrant of distraint and sale. He must pay the wages of his establishment which should consist of the conies and peons who are now employed by the Collector. He may, however, dismiss them for any just cause. He should report every instance that may come to his notice in which quit-rent has not been levied on houses or lands. The renters will be allowed the option of retaining the rent in his own hands at the expiration of the 3 years if he should be willing to continue it on the same terms.

25-11-16

H.H. the Nawab of the Carnatic**Exemption from inland duty—Orders.**

On the recommendation of the Collector and the Board of Revenue, Government order that all articles passing through the custom methods and said to belong to the Nawab should be accompanied by a certificate from the Political Agent at Chepauk before they are allowed to pass free.

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Spur Tank

25-11-16

Overflowing—Complaints of.

From the Clerk of the Peace.

Forwards a letter from Mr. George Garrow, who complains that the tank overflows into the house occupied by him belonging to Mr. Joseph Baker, because of the stopping up of the outlet for the waters which formerly existed to the westward of Mr. Edward Dent's garden. He proposes that a small bridge may be constructed across the road leading to Mr. Baker's gardens and that a channel may be cut for carrying off the water.

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28-11-16	Mount Road New drain—Proposals. The Superintending Engineer represented to the Military Board that it was necessary to construct a newer and straighter drain near the Mount Road. He suggested that Mr. Orton, through whose gardens the drain will have to run, may be given in exchange a piece of hollow ground, lying in front of his house, which may be levelled up for his benefit. The proposal was accepted by the Military Board and Government. The Collector was consequently directed to make the necessary alterations in Mr. Orton's grant.	1351
3-12-16	Kotwal Krishnama Naik's family—Pension. (See 1017/780.) From the Native Pension Fund. A pension of Pag. 10 a month is granted to the widow and children of Krishnama Naik.	1364
3-12-16	Collector's Establishment Conduct etc.—Statement.	1368
10-12-16	Jurisdiction Collector's magisterial powers—Scope of Reg. IX of 1816. (See 939/421-30.)	1400
10-12-16	Arrack Shops In Chingleput—Underselling—Complaints. The renters complain that arrack is being sold at 40 cash per dram in the shops situated in Chingleput close to the limits of Madras, and that they are great losers by being forced to sell at a minimum price of 55 cash.	1405
12-12-16	Triplicane Temple Dancing girl's land—Dispute. 1. The warden of the temple complained that a woman named Ammu had instituted a suit in the Supreme Court for ejecting Peria Papal, a dancing girl attached to the temple, from a piece of ground assigned to her by the temple authorities. Ammu's father-in-law had been permitted to build a house on the land by Peria Papal, but it was understood that he was to remove the building when required on payment of its value. 2. The claim set up by Ammu touches the right of the dancing girls to the property assigned to them for the service performed by them at the temple. The Collector therefore recommends to the Board that the Company's Law Officers may be directed to defend the suit.	1413
18-12-16	Police Funds Particulars of fees collected.	1428-9
28-12-16	To the Police Committee. In answer to an enquiry made by the Committee the Collector states that "the 'Cavel Magamei' or Poligar's fees received at the Land Custom House of Madras ceased early in f. 1222 " under Reg. III of 1812. The fees seem to be still collected at the Sea Custom House. The caval maniams in the several villages seem to have been for the most part alienated. An enquiry into these alienations is likely to be " indefinitely protracted."	1474-5
24-12-16	Extra Revenue For f. 1225—Statement of charges.	1444
28-12-16	Dismissal Appasamy Mudaliyar—Mr. Ellis's remarks. 1. On the recommendation of Mr. Harris, the acting Collector, Appasamy Mudaliyar was dismissed from service. When Mr. Ellis resumed his duties he found that the charges upon which he was considered guilty had no foundation, and therefore he reports in detail the circumstances which induced Mr. Harris to dismiss the amildar.	1476

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2. During the amildar's illness his peshcar and another person named Virabudren had appropriated the collections made by the peshcar without the knowledge of the amildar. The latter, however, made good the deficiency because he considered himself responsible for the missing quit-rent bills. This does not prove that he had embezzled the amount himself. There are witnesses who depose that Virabudren knew that the peshcar was the person who had appropriated the sums.
3. Another serious charge brought against the amildar was that he had committed several frauds and thereby appropriated to himself, public money amounting to Pag. 15,000. Ramaya Pillay, the informer, who was formerly dismissed by the amildar for misconduct, was allowed to prove the guilt of the amildar by examining the books. It was, however, found that he tampered with the accounts to a great extent, by removing several important cadjan accounts and inserting false ones. Depositions have been obtained from several persons to prove the truth of this.
4. On a consideration of all the circumstances, Mr. Ellis does not so much as find reason to suspect the amildar, much less to dismiss him from service. He therefore considers that it is his duty to recommend his re-appointment.

Charges

28-12-16

For f. 1226—Statement of.

The principal difference between these and the statements of last fasli lies in the abolition of the taluk of Pudupak which has been united partly with Mylapore and partly with Egmore. The Cooum has been made the boundary between the two taluks.

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Dismissal

31-12-16

Public servants—Procedure—Discussion.

1. In connection with the case of Muniappa Chetty etc., whom the Board refused to dismiss because the report made by the Collector did not contain the substance of the defence made by the suspended servants, the Collector represents as follows.
2. According to Reg. I of 1809 only Government could dismiss the "head ministerial native officers." Regarding all others receiving more than Rs. 10 per month the Collector was obliged to frame charges and obtain their explanation before reporting to the Board about them. These conditions were altered by Reg. V of 1811 by which the Board was vested with the powers of dismissing head ministerial servants and secondly the Collector was not obliged to call for a formal explanation. Sec. xvi of Reg. I of 1809, however, remains in force and empowers the Board to call for further information or to refuse ultimately its sanction to dismiss a person. The Board has consequently taken upon itself to lay down the procedure to be observed by the Collectors. This in the opinion of the Collector is not within the scope of the Board, because only Government can lay down the rules regarding it.
3. The Collector may very often have reason to be dissatisfied with a person on account of his idleness or incompetency. In such cases the invariable defence that may be set up by him will be that he is neither incompetent nor idle. Such a charge and such an explanation will not give any additional information to the Board. On the contrary it will have the effect of setting the Collector's authority at naught. It is therefore the Collector's opinion that discretion should be given to the Collector to require an explanation or not as he thinks fit.

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	Strachan, Mr. James Morgan	
1-1-1817	Becomes a partner in Arbuthnot & Co. From Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co. They inform the Collector that Mr. Strachan has become a partner in their business and forward his specimen signature for the Collector's reference.	1
	Ohinnakesavaperumal and Mallicawarar Temples	
6-1-17	Warden—Muthukrishna Mudali—Appointment proposals. 1. The Collector has received an application from Muthukrishna Mudali requesting to be appointed as warden of both the temples in the place of his deceased father, Chinnaya Mudali. The stanical and nitya vasacal of the temples agree in writing to accept him as their warden. The Collector therefore recommends that he may be appointed on the usual terms.	11
6-2-17	2. Appointment authorised.	72
	Hayes, Col. Thomas	
15-1-17	Property at the Mount—Encroachments. From Col. Hayes. Protests against the issuing of a grant in favour of an old subedar who has applied for it for a ground which has always been used as a burial ground by the Mahomedans, but upon which lately the subedar has begun to construct several houses to the annoyance of the people living in the houses built by Col. Hayes on the adjoining piece of ground. Col. Hayes requests that the grant for the burial ground may be issued in his own name in which case he promises to see that it is not misused.	20-3
24-4-17	From the Board. A grant is to be issued free of quit-rent in favour of Inath Khan Subadar on the condition that no more buildings are erected upon the ground and that it is utilised only as a burial ground for Mahometans.	364-5
	Land Customs	
23-1-17	Timber sold by the Collector—Exemption from duty. Mr. Dalrymple, who imported a large quantity of timber from Cuddapah, complained to Government that inland duty had been levied on it even though he had paid another duty in Cuddapah. This duty was one imposed under the authority of the Board upon all timber which may be felled from Government forests. The object of this duty was to protect the forests from indiscriminate destruction, and the Board had empowered the Collectors in the Ceded Districts to levy this duty in the first instance in lieu of all further claims by Government. The Board therefore recommended to Government that the amount paid by Mr. Dalrymple may be refunded to him. This was agreed to by Government.	39
	Pensions	
30-1-17	Bahadur Ali Shah—Succession—Orders. 1. Israr Ally Hossain, son of Bahader Ally Shaw, petitions that the pension of Pag. 50 paid to his father in lieu of a resumed jagir may be continued in his name. The Collector had refused to renew the pension on the ground that the pension was for life only.	65

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2. The Board points out that the Collector was wrong in considering Bahader Ally Shaw to be the sole recipient of the pension, because it was granted to his family. He is therefore directed to deduct the share of the deceased and divide the remainder among the several members of the family.

Public Buildings

1-2-17

Demand for quit-rent.

From the Commissary General.

In reply to a demand made by the Collector for Quit-rent for certain buildings "appropriated for the accommodation of the Commissary General's office as well as of the General Arrack Depot", the Commissary General states that as they are public buildings purchased by the Government and appropriated for public purposes, no quit-rent is chargeable, and at any rate that he has no authority to pay it.

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Quit-rent

17-2-17

Farming—Orders.

Government approve the proposal of the Collector to rent the collection of quit-rent for the period of 3 years as an experimental measure, and to relinquish the arrears which might have accrued during the f. 1211-19.

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Mount Road

24-2-17

New drain—Compensation to Attipatta Wongatta Chitty.

1. The Superintending Engineer reported to the Military Board that the proposed new drain would cut through a valuable plot of ground situated near the Mount Road and belonging to one, Attipatta Wongatta Chitty. This person would by no means consent to the construction of the drain except on the condition of Government paying at the rate of Pag. 72 per ground for the area occupied by the drain, and building 2 bridges over it at the places pointed out by him.

2. The Military Board considered that his terms were reasonable and accordingly recommended them for the sanction of Government, which was readily given.

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Gallows

24-2-17

Land acquisition for.

From the Board.

The Collector is authorized to purchase the ground recommended by him and to inform the Sheriff as soon as the transfer is effected in order that the gallows may be erected without delay.

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———To the Sheriff.

He may begin the work upon the ground.

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Grant, Mr. W.

27-2-17

Complains of over assessment.

From Mr. Grant.

Mr. Grant considers that the demand made for quit-rent for the space in front of his house in Armenian street because trees are growing there is unjust because trees are growing in several of the streets and no quit-rent is demanded on that score. He also objects to the rate of Pag. 10, a ground which is the rate fixed for lands on the beach.

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16-3-17	Quit-rent Arrears on houses sold by the Sheriff--Recovery--Procedure. The Sheriff complains that the Collector's peons are in the habit of producing their bills for arrears just at the time the purchaser is paying in the money. This has the appearance of establishing a counter authority to the legal authority under which the sale is conducted. The Sheriff suggests that the Collector may advertise in the "public prints" 10 days prior to the sale or send the bills to him so that he may warn intending purchasers about their liability to pay the arrears due on the house.	138
17-3-17	Stamp Act Limits of the Supreme Court--Introduction--Proposals. (See 990/7-28.)	145
20-3-17	Poonamalle Burial Ground Land to be purchased. From the Board. The Collector may purchase from the mirasidar the land which has been utilised as a burial place. The charges will be debited to the Military department.	155-8
21-3-17	Toddy Farming proposals. 1. The Collector proposes that in view of the numerous offers made to him for the farm of toddy, it would be better to invite proposals publicly. The enumeration of palm trees etc., has had the effect of inducing people to raise their offers as high as possible. It has been the practice hitherto to rent the toddy farm every half year. The Collector suggests that this may be altered to annual rents in future. Since some of the principal men of the Shanar caste have come forward with very fair offers he proposes to restrict the bidding to people of this caste. 2. Conditions of the farm are:--(a) Toddy shops should be placed within the limits of the sayer mettus only until the pattal arrack cowle expires. After that the renters will be at liberty to open shops within the new limits fixed for the arrack farm. (b) The shops within the limits of the Supreme Court will be regulated by the Police Magistrate. (c) The renter may sub-rent the shops. (d) Within the limits of the Collectorate, the renter may place the shops where he likes but when once a shop has been opened in a particular locality it should not be removed to another site without the permission of the Collector and the Magistrates.	154
24-3-17	Ennore Salt Pans Manufacture--Prohibition--Compensation to Parasurama Mudali--Collector's remarks. 1. The accounts relating to the manufacture of salt in Ennore are not extant. The mirasidars have no objection to allowing Parasurama Mudali to manufacture salt during a period equal to the unexpired term of the lease. It should however be understood that the manufacturers at Attiput, who now supply Madras, should not lose by this arrangement. 2. The rights of the present claimant to compensation are questionable. "A cowle conveying a farm of revenue cannot ever be transferred except it contains an express stipulation to that effect."	151

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25-3-17	Quit-rent Arrears—On houses sold by the Sheriff—Recovery—Procedure—Discussion. 1. Replying to the Sheriff the Collector says that claims on account of arrears of quit-rent must be allowed precedence over every other. It is not possible to enforce the claim while the house is the object of litigation. As soon, however, as the case is decided the claim is put forward. It is essential that bidders should be made aware of the claim on account of quit-rent standing against the property. Otherwise it will lead to complaints. The Collector has no objection to sending the notices to the Sheriff before publication so that he may also inform intending purchasers of their liability.	190
23-3-17	2. The Sheriff consents to this arrangement.	242
1-4-17	Manali Salt Pans Manufacture—Resumption—Effects of. 1. The Collector of Madras represents to the Board that the renewal of manufacture of salt at the Manali pans by the Shrotriyamdar of Manali will have the effect of introducing clandestinely large quantities of salt into Madras. At the time when the Board agreed to allow the shrotriyamdar to manufacture salt, the limits of Madras did not include Manali. Since that time, however, the Collectorate has been extended beyond the limits of Manali in the Land Customs Department. This is likely to facilitate smuggling.	257
10-4-17	2. The supervision of these pans is transferred to the Collector of Madras.	267
2-4-17	Pensions Mahmud Bauker Hussain—Disputes. 1. Mahomed Bauker Hussain, son of the late Kader Nawas Khan, is entitled to a pension of Pag. 50 per month. By the will of his father this was to be received by Hafis Ahmed Khan until he attained the age of 21. But long before this his mother sued the executor in the Supreme Court for getting the pension transferred to her. The court decided that Ahmed Khan was entitled to receive the amount until the boy arrived at the age of 15. On the strength of this decision Bauker Hussain, as soon as he attained the age of 15, applied for and obtained the pension for himself. Upon this the executor produced the orders of Government passed in 1904 empowering him to receive the pension until the boy became 21 years old. In these circumstances the Collector requests the orders of the Board regarding the future payments.	268
24-4-17	2. Government direct the Collector to pay it to Ahmed Khan, according to their original orders.	272
17-4-17	Ryotwari Settlement Introduction of—Questions. 1. The Board forwards to Mr. Ellis, the Collector of Madras, a copy of its circular letter to all Collectors directing them to measure, classify and assess a village as an experimental measure. If there should be no village in Madras which is 'warapett' he will be allotted a village in the vicinity of Madras which he will have to experiment upon. 2. Besides this, the Board desires to know— (a) whether in the Pashungarai villages under him the land was assigned to particular individuals on the tserva being fixed thereon or left to be charged annually or periodically as heretofore;	287

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- (b) whether the mirasidars lost their rights and privileges in the land occupied by the ulcoodies and poracoodies; and
- (c) whether the poracoodi had any of the land assigned to him in perpetuity and whether the ulcoodies and poracoodies have sold such land.

Inams

20-4-17

Answers to questions.

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1. Mr. Ellis replies to the questions put by the Board regarding the nature of tarappadi or village inams.
2. The resumption of these inams never took place in Madras. There is at present no distinction between lands formerly classed as manyam and varpatt. The curnams in Madras are of little use to the Collector's office. Mr. Ellis is of the opinion that this office always leads to the oppression of the ryots. Curnams should be appointed in mirasi villages by the mirasidars from people of the canicoply caste.
3. *Gramamanyams.*
It is a misnomer to call 'gramamanyam' by the term 'inams' because an 'inam' means a gift made by a king or a competent authority while the gramamanyam is a privilege which has been enjoyed since the establishment of the village and has nothing to do with the king or his revenue. The Government may only enforce the performance of service where it is obligatory on the part of the holder of the 'manyam.'
4. When the mirasidars cultivate the land which falls to their share of the 'caniyatchi manyam' a share of their crops goes to the formation of a village fund to which other sources also contribute. The village manyams are cultivated by the holders if they possess ploughs and cattle. If not, the lands are cultivated by another who pays a share to the holder of the manyam.
5. *Resumption.*
The resumption of the manyams by Government is sure to cause a hardship to those who cultivate their own manyams. In the case of mirasidars the resumption of their manyams means a deprivation of property equal to the 'melvaram' received by him.
6. The possession of manyam does not lay the owner under any obligation to cultivate it. It is his absolute property and he may do what he likes with it. Lands assigned for temples and mosques are cultivated by the ryots of the village who give the melvaram to those institutions.
7. *Inams.*
The sunnud inamdar's position is just the reverse of that of the owner of a manyam. He has a right only to the melvaram of the land held as inam. He has no right to cultivate or interfere with the cultivation of the land.
8. In the villages of Tondamandalam all the lands of the village are arranged according to the general and subordinate heads. These are distinguished in the tarapadi accounts which also show the extent and ownership of the several manyams etc.
9. Inamdars or manyamcars cannot claim anything if their lands are not cultivated, but if the cultivation of their lands is prevented by Government they have got a right to damages. In practice, however, it has been the custom to give a preference to Sirkar lands over inam and manyam lands.

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	10. "The Tarapadi accounts contain a detailed record of all manyams and inams, describe the extent of each and show what are held under sunned and what ancient prescription."	
	11. A statement showing the usual manyams and their extent is appended. These are divided into 4 classes. The first class comprises the manyams of the mirasi proprietors. In the second class are included the manyams enjoyed by the village officers and servants. The third class gives a list of the manyams belonging to religious establishments and the ministers of religion. All miscellaneous manyams come under the fourth class. The extent of land enjoyed by the various manyamcars has been compiled by taking the average of 11 villages situated in Madras.	
Arrack Shops		
8-5-17	Poonamalle Military Station—Location of. The Collector of Madras represents to the Collector of Chingleput that the invalid station of Poonamalle has never been considered to be a cantonment within the meaning of the regulations and that consequently he had licensed several shops to be situated within 4 miles of it. As the renters are entitled to a remission for every day these shops remain shut the Collector requests that they may be allowed to be opened at once.	391
Quit-rent		
12-5-17	Public property—Remission proposals. It has been the practice to carry the amount of the quit-rent due on public buildings, which have been in the possession of Government for a very long time, to account remission. The Collector desires to know if he may have general instructions to write off to remission account the quit-rent that may be due on buildings which come into the possession of the various departments from time to time.	396
Assignment of Land		
13-5-17	Grants—Procedure. Replying to the Collector of Visagapatam the Collector says that it is usual to issue grants for lands lying outside the limits of the Supreme Court to Europeans only. Such Europeans should apply to the Register of Grants through the Collectors of the Districts. The Collectors are also authorised to call upon them to apply for and obtain regular grants, and in case of neglect or refusal to report the circumstance to the Board of Revenue. Grants are not issued to natives through the Register of Grants for lands lying outside the limits of the Supreme Court. For lands which are under the area of a cawni only a certificate is issued.	401
Pensions		
13-5-17	Mahmud Hauker Hussain—Disputes. 1. The Collector reports that Hauker Hussain is about to apply to the Supreme Court for the restoration of his pension to himself. As the court has already limited his period of minority to his 15th year it is likely to order payment of the pension to him from the date of his completing his 15th year. He therefore suggests that a part of the pension may be paid to the family and that the rest may be kept in deposit in order that it may be paid when he becomes 21 years of age.	403
16-5-17	2. Government refuse to revise their orders and threaten a total stoppage of the pension.	403
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Smuggling
26-5-17 Piece-goods—Report.

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1. Veerasamy, a boy aged 18, was caught in the act of carrying away out of the Land Custom House 20 pieces of cloth more than what was specified in his rowanah. These 20 pieces had been chopped by a peon named Ponnappen who had done this act in consideration of a small bribe received by him. The Magistrate who tried them found them both guilty and ordered the peon to pay a fine of three times the duty on the cloth and as for the boy ordered that his cloths should be confiscated.

2. As the boy was only an agent for the merchants and as they hope to get the price of the clothes from his father, who is their broker, they have not come forward to claim the clothes. The Collector recommends that, as the punishment of confiscation will fall upon the agents, who are the people who usually commit the frauds, it will be an example to others.

3. The custom house is always crowded so much so that a person can easily carry away a few of his unchopped goods along with the chopped ones. Instructions have been issued to prevent such frauds.

4. Rules.

When the cloths arrive at a chowky the conicoply issues a chit for the number of pieces. Then they are brought to the Land Custom House where they are registered and secured in the Government godowns. On the second day the cloths are sorted and on the third day they are appraised, chopped and a rowanah issued to the merchant, who pays the amount of the duty to the huzur shroff and obtains a receipt from him. Upon the production of this receipt to the darogha he is permitted to carry his cloths away. A register of the rowanahs issued by the custom house is sent to the huzoor cutchery as early as possible.

5. Gruff goods are appraised and taxed without delay and the same procedure is adopted in their case as in that of piece-goods.

6. Confiscated goods are sold once in 3 months, except betel, tobacco etc. which are sold twice a week. The hircarrahs report whether frauds are committed either in sorting, valuing or chopping. The hircarrahs in the gruff goods department send a report of the goods cleared every day.

7. Weavers are obliged to obtain permission chits from the conicoplies of the amildars. Under this system they cannot escape paying the duty on any clothes that they may weave. After weaving, the cloths and the chit are taken to the Land Custom House, where the usual procedure is followed in the matter of appraising, sorting, etc. The duty on these clothes is levied according to the purpose for which they are manufactured. Cloths meant for the consumption of the place pay 10 per cent., cloths for export pay 8 per cent. and articles of native dress pay only 3 per cent.

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8. The Board of Revenue, in reply to this letter, suggests that the Collector should appoint the head native servant of the Land Custom house to superintend the chopping of goods in person and to see that no more goods are issued to the person entrusted with the chop than are registered.

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25-6-1817 Effects of grants and certificates—Answers to questions.

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1. Mr. Ellis replies to the questions put by the Board.

2. *Mirasidars.*

The issue of grants and certificates had the effect of converting pasungarai into arudicarai, i.e., of fixing permanently the portion of the common land to be held by each of the inhabitants. This was done by the people themselves who cast lots in the usual manner.

3. Paracudies have not received certificates for the lands they occupied. Ulcudies have been given certificates in some cases. The mirasidars have in several cases opposed the issue of grants and certificates to these people. The rights of a mirasidar to receive his cuppattam, merai and other dues from the produce of his lands are recognized by all people, though long possession entitles the Ulcudi to cultivate the land himself.

4. *Ulcudies.*

The ulcudies have been known to sell their lands to others, but such transfers cannot affect the rights of the mirasidars to the lands so transferred. By issuing grants and certificates for the lands in Madras the mirasidars were not affected directly, but "incidentally and as it would seem by the tacit consent of all concerned the right of receiving merais was allowed to fall into disuse." General convenience seems to have led to this, for though the purchaser of the mirasi rights can enforce the payment of the merai, yet when made to Europeans and others the trouble of collecting it would be more than its worth.

5. This system is likely to lead to the total extinction of mirasi rights in Madras. The fixing of the rights of the mirasidars to particular plots of land and their desire to sell them for the high prices they obtain in the vicinity of Madras produce this effect much more rapidly.

Ryotwari Settlement

25-6-17 Introduction proposals—Collector's remarks.

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1. There are no varapatt villages in Madras. Mr. Ellis, therefore, proposes to take under his charge the village of Vayalur for the purpose of training himself in conducting the ryotwari system of settlement.

2. *Vayalur.*

The village of Vayalur was originally pasungarai but was converted into arudikarai about 15 years ago. It is divided into 10 shares, 2 of which are held by 2 families of Brahmins and 8 by 20 families of Pallis. Excluding tarapadi and sunned manyams as well as poramboke, the remaining varapatt lands extend to 1,969 cawnies. Of this only about 260 cawnies are under cultivation. The customary share to the Pallis is 45 per cent. and to the Brahmins 50 per cent.

3. The conversion from varapatt into tirvapatt can be effected in this village without disturbing the general interest of the community, which may continue to be administered jointly.

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There is not much difference between the puttahs issued by Col. Munro in the Ceded districts and the certificates issued in Madras, because in most villages in the Ceded districts most of the ryots hold the same villages from year to year. The certificate regulates the demand while in the case of the patta the demand is regulated by the extent of the land annually cultivated.

5. Rules.

Mr. Ellis proposes a set of rules as below for converting varapatt lands of mirasi villages into tirvapatti which are applicable to the several villages originally comprised in 'Tondaimandalam.'

6. The village accounts should be taken as the basis of the settlement. The foundation of the assessment on these accounts shall be the basis of calculation for the assessment of nanja lands. The assessment now paid on punja lands including totacall shall, as nearly as possible, be continued. The information of the assessment on these shall be based on the average produce of a certain number of years. The settlement shall be made with the actual cultivator, but the rights of the mirasidars, mortgagors etc. shall be reserved to them. The lands shall be divided according to their fertility. It is not necessary to measure the lands again because the assessment on a field is going to be fixed only with reference to its previous varam. Commutation of the Government share into money shall be done by taking into consideration the average price of each kind of grain and the average produce from each kind of soil. The tirvai shall be on a field and not on a certain number of cawnies.
7. The pattayams issued to the mirasidars, ulcudis, mortgagors etc. shall describe their tenures, respectively. The village accountant shall keep a register of all pattayam. This will complete the settlement.

8. Comments on the rules.

A re-measurement of the lands is unnecessary because from a revenue point of view the settlement is going to be made not on its extent but on its ascertained average produce. The waste lands should be left to the mirasidars free of assessment because that will induce them to cultivate more and more and thereby reduce the rate of assessment paid by them. There is no fear of their abandoning their full assessed lands for the purpose of cultivating the un-assessed or low-assessed wastes because the mirasidars have an innate love of the soil to which they have been "chained and riveted" from very early times, and no gain or advantage will induce them to desert their ancestral lands in favour of new fields.

9. In districts where the mirasi system is unknown, the puttahs may be issued direct to the ryots, but in place where the system has been in existence it is desirable that the ryot should receive his puttah through the mirasidar in order that he may still feel that the mirasidar is his superior.
10. There are several points in Col. Munro's instructions which are not applicable to this part of India. One of these is the latitude given to the measurers to subdivide the fields. If a subdivision or alteration of the boundaries becomes necessary the inhabitants themselves should do it. The use of the English measure will create confusion in the minds of the people. The cani and the col or cushi will be in every respect preferable to the acre and rod.

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3-7-17	Arrack Shops Poonamalle Cantonment—Objections to. The Board submitted for the consideration of Government the question whether Poonamalle could be treated as a cantonment for the purpose of the arrack regulations. Government decided that it is a cantonment and that the Collector of Madras had no authority to allow the arrack renter to establish shops within a radius of 4 miles of it.	531 554
15-7-17	Pedda Naik Resumption of inams. From the Collector of Chingleput. Forwards certain documents required by the Collector of Madras and in addition gives the following information:— Mr. Place ordered the resumption of the poligar's cowle privileges and the mokhasa village of Nedumbara held by him under the Company in 1794. The village was rented to the mirasidars in f. 1205-6 and to the renter of Perambur in f. 1207. In f. 1208 it was transferred to the control of the Board of Revenue.	550-1
24-7-17	Ryotwari Settlement Experimental measure—Board's remarks. 1. The Board expresses its appreciation of the report made by Mr. Ellis. The village of Vayalur has been ordered to be transferred to him to carry out the experimental measure of ryotwari settlement. 2. The Board is of the opinion that the existence of concealed cultivation necessitates a fresh measurement of all the lands. Tarabuddy and sunnud maniams are to be entered separately in the accounts. Mr. Ellis is requested to give a separate report upon sunnud maniams similar to that he sent regarding tarabuddy maniams. In conducting the settlement he should keep a diary to note the objections that may be raised by the ryots or their observations on the subject of ryotwari settlement. Whatever may be the mode of settlement, it should be understood that no ulcudi is entitled to a permanent puttah. 3. A copy of a letter from Government is enclosed relating to this subject. The ryotwari settlement should be introduced wherever it is practicable, according to the instructions of the Court of Directors. An initial survey and field assessment is not always requisite for settling ryotwar. A settlement concluded every year with the ryots is all that is meant by ryotwari settlement.	579
18-7-17	Stamp Act Limits of the Supreme Court—Introduction—Proposals. (See 990/7-28.)	590
11-8-17	Pension Gooruvappa Naik—Claims to. The Collector is directed to report upon a petition received from Gooruvappa Naik in which he claims as Poligar of Connoor a pension in lieu of the mera maniams formerly enjoyed by his ancestors from several villages in and near Madras. He states that he was very young when the maniams were resumed and that he did not know that pensions were offered by Government in lieu of these maniams.	618
18-8-17	Arrack Renting—Triennial lease—Proposals. 1. The Collector proposes that the rent of the arrack farm may be given to the old renters who have been very punctual in their payments. As the system of renting has been found to be beneficial to revenue as well as to the	628

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	other aspects of abkari he suggests that triennial leases may be given in future in order that the trouble of renting it annually may be avoided.	
21-3-17	2. The Board directs the Collector to advertise in the usual way for proposals. The notifications should state that shops should not be placed within 4 miles of Poonamalle.	649
Ryotwari Settlement		
21-9-17	Vayalur village—Report. 1. Mr. Ellis has taken charge of the village from the Collector of Chingleput but finds that though the soil is poor it is quite suitable for the experiment because of its different varieties. The village contains a number of tanks, cashams and columns, and the people welcome a settlement with the Government after a period of abject poverty enforced upon them by the exactions of the zamindar. 2. Mr. Ellis recommends that advances may be made for repairing the tanks and conducting the cultivation.	689
Mirasi Rights		
18-9-17	Mr. Ellis's report—Printing of. Recognising the merits of the replies furnished by Mr. Ellis the Board recommended to Government that 200 copies of these papers may be printed. Government gladly accepted the proposal.	697
Quit-rent		
...	Part payment—Notification. The Collector notifies that part payment of quit-rent bills enables the collecting conicopies to commit frauds. In order to prevent this, people are informed that all demands should be paid in full and that so long as the bill remains with the conicopy the person in whose name it is drawn out will be held responsible for the whole amount.	720
Naval Hospital		
9-10-17	Building—Conversion to Land Custom House—Orders.	
22-10-17	Government direct that the Naval Hospital should be utilised as the Collector's Outchery and Land Custom House and that the Company's stationery may also be stored in part of the buildings.	723
Civil Orphans Asylum		
12-10-17	Female Free School House—Exemption from quit-rent allowed. The Collector forwards an application received from the Directors of the Male and Female Free Schools and Female Free Orphan Asylum requesting that the school-house purchased by the charity in Jones' street may be exempted from quit-rent.	764
14-11-17	Exemption is granted by the Government.	795
Tobacco Smuggling		
31-10-17	Murder of a peon—Report. A party of smugglers beat and severely wounded a custom peon who with 2 others endeavoured to seize them and the tobacco they were bringing in. The wounded man died a fortnight later. In forwarding the depositions given in by the various persons connected with the case, the Collector recommends that the widow of the deceased should be given a decent pension in order that all the peons may be encouraged to exert themselves in the service of Government.	780

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	Mirasi Rights	
1-12-17	Mr. Ellis's report—Printing of—Remarks. Mr. Ellis suggests that a sketch of Tondamandalam according to its ancient boundaries and subdivisions would form a suitable appendix to the report. He also proposes that another appendix may be added which would contain the principal information available from the records of the Board on this subject. By doing so the reader may compare Mr. Ellis's opinions with those of the other authorities who have studied the subject.	827
	Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge	
8-12-17	Landed property in Madras. From the Secretary to the Special Committee of the Society. Applies for an extract from the registers relating to the lands possessed by the mission in Madras.	839-40
	Ryotwari Settlement	
9-12-17	Vayalur—Report. 1. Mr. Ellis forwards the report submitted by his Head Assistant, Mr. Viveash, regarding the settlement of the village of Vayalur. 2. Large advances have been made to the people to cultivate as much land as they could. Under the management of the mootadar several of the inhabitants had deserted the village. Only a small fraction of the cultivable land was actually cultivated. When the village was resumed people returned to it and by this time more than 1,000 cawnis have been brought under cultivation. The tanks have been repaired at public expense. There were some disputes regarding the occupancy of certain lands, but these were settled by arbitration. The inhabitants have requested that the cumbucatti or water-distributor's manyam as well as the caval manyam may be restored. 3. Survey. The surveyors proceeded with their work until the rains put a stop to it. Their progress is not quite as rapid as may be expected from Col. Munro's report. This is due to the fact that here they have to survey not merely the pallams but also the tadis (?) minute portion of a pallam. Mr. Viveash suggests that this detailed survey is unnecessary, where the whole pallam is the property of a single individual. Mr. Ellis recommends to the Board that the system of detailed measurement may be abandoned so as to enable the survey to proceed far more speedily. 4. The commutation settlement of the present year has been made by commuting the Government share into money at the market rates at the time of harvest, wherever the ryot was willing to pay it in money. In all other cases the share has been received in kind and kept under amani management.	841
	Pension	
13-12-17	Gooruvappa Naik's claims to—Report of the Collector. 1. The Collector reports that Gooruvappa Naik's ancestors were the 'Cavelcars' of Connoor and enjoyed their 'cavel' manyams in the several villages of Madras. Though the family have ceased to exercise their office for some time no orders have been passed regarding the resumption of the maniams. The other maniyams enjoyed by the family were sold by them privately to great advantage. 2. In the opinion of Mr. Ellis Gooruvappa has forfeited all claims to compensation by selling the other family manyams which he had no right to sell separate from their mirasi.	880

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15-12-17	Sheik Mohideen Khan Subadar Grant for lands assigned to him. From the Board. A grant is to be issued in his favour for two cawnis of land purchased by the Company and assigned to him in the village of St. Thomé. No quit-rent is payable upon it.	74
10-12-17	Tobacco Smuggling Murder of a peon—Orders of Government. The Board recommended to Government that the widow of the dalayat who was murdered by smugglers may be paid a life pension of Pag. 2 per month. It also suggested the propriety of providing in the regulations for inflicting a severer punishment upon smugglers than is allowed by the existing regulations. Government sanctioned the pension and promised to bring the matter to the consideration of the Committee for revising the Custom Regulations.	888
20-12-17	Native Fund Claims—Investigation—Discussion. The Collector represents to the Native Pension Committee that the authority vested in Collectors to depute persons to investigate the claims preferred by the families of deceased members will lead to abuses. Where the parties live at a great distance from the Collector's cutchery it will be hard to insist upon their travelling all the way to the huzoor. This is not so in Madras, where all claims may therefore be investigated by the Collector in person. The form of the certificate ordered to be used by people deputed to examine the parties, is also objectionable inasmuch as Mahomedans and Hindus have a prejudice against such minute enquiries being made regarding their families.	898

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5-1-1818	Inland Navigation Pulicat Settlement—Restoration. The Collector is directed to report whether the inland navigation near Pulicat has undergone any change during the occupation of the settlement by the British Government and whether the proposed restoration of it to the Dutch will affect the interests of the British Government or any of their subjects in such changes.	3
26-1-18	—The Collector reports that no such change has taken place.	47
7-1-18	Smuggling Corporal punishment—Proposals to the Customs Revision Committee. Mr. Ellis refers the Committee to the minutes put down by him, when he was a member of the Committee, on this subject. He is still of opinion that the infliction of corporal punishment alone will deter persons from trying to smuggle in articles, especially those which bear a consumption duty. He further suggests that the Collector and his assistants should be empowered to inflict such corporal punishment summarily and in an open manner.	5
20-1-18	Dutch Pensioners Statement of.	45

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16-2-18	Land Customs Gruff goods—Inclusion of new articles—Discussion. The Collector of Madras proposed that a few articles which were not mentioned in the tariff might be included. When the Board submitted this proposal to Government they stated that they had no power to include any new articles in the tariff. Upon this the Board represented to Government that the opinion of the Advocate-General in Madras was very doubtful and that the non-inclusion of new articles might lead to a loss of revenue. The Board opined that section v of Regulation III of 1812 authorizes the Board under the orders of Government to reduce the duty or exempt goods therefrom altogether. As the Board could not concur in opinion with the Advocate-General at Madras it requested Government to refer the matter to the Advocate-General in Bengal.	74
16-2-18	Naval Hospital Buildings To be converted into the Collector's Cutcherry. To the Board. After executing some repairs and alterations which are necessary, the buildings will afford ample accommodation for the Collector's Cutcherry and the Land Custom House. A bullock stand and a reservoir for supplying water to the animals have also to be provided. The buildings can also accommodate the public stationery stores.	79-83
16-2-18	Jamabandi Report For ff. 1225-6—Board's review. 1. F. 1225. The net revenue of f. 1225 shows an increase of nearly Pag. 22,000 over that of f. 1224. Though the Collector was permitted to farm the revenue arising from quit-rent for a term of 3 years, no report has been received from him about the offers that might have been received by him. The renting of the sale of country arrack has not produced a corresponding diminution in the revenue derived from punch houses and Batavia arrack shops. The duty levied upon betel and tobacco shows an increase. This speaks for the vigilance of the Collector's peons in preventing smuggling. The general result is very satisfactory. 2. F. 1226. There is a net increase of about Pag. 19,000 over the net revenue of f. 1225. It is hoped that the remission of arrears of quit-rent recently granted by Government may facilitate the collection of the current demand. There has been an increase of nearly Pag. 12,000 under country arrack, but there is a decrease of nearly Pag. 2,500 under punch houses and Batavia arrack shops. The system of renting the sale of country arrack has had the advantage of increasing the revenue and at the same time of preventing the illicit sale of cheap and inferior spirits. The number of seizures made by the Collector's peons speaks for their vigilance. The Board desires that the Collector should suggest adequate measure to put a stop to the loss of revenue incurred by Government owing to the activity of smugglers.	84
14-3-18	Tiruvambur Temple Abkari revenue—Assignment of. Mr. Ellis requests the Collector of Chingleput to furnish him with a copy of the authority under which the abkari revenue of the village of Tiruvambur is being assigned to the temple and to send also an account of the payments made during the last 5 years.	147

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16-3-18	Quit-rent Public buildings—Recovery—Procedure. On the recommendation of the Board, Government direct that the Collector of Madras should debit in his accounts the department of the public service from which quit-rent may be due with the amount of quit-rent.	149
21-3-18	Salt Household consumption. 1. Mr. Strombom, Secretary to the British Commissioner, desires to know what would be a sufficient allowance of salt for a month for a house containing on an average 5 souls.	169
23-3-18	2. Mr. Ellis replies that the individual consumption of salt per day by a native is $\frac{1}{4}$ of an ollock which gives a monthly consumption of 2 measures and 3 ollocks for a family of 5. If the supply is increased to $2\frac{1}{4}$ or $3\frac{1}{4}$ measures it would be an ample allowance.	177
28-3-18	Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge Lands in Madras. (See 1022/839.) To the Secretary to the Special Committee. It is not possible to ascertain whether any property which may have formerly belonged to the mission is in the hands of private individuals. If any particular land is pointed out the Collector will find out how and under what circumstances the transfer was effected.	222-3
28-3-18	Periodical Charges For f. 1227—Statement of.	228
14-4-18	Norris, Col. John House in Vepery—Grant issued. A grant is ordered to be issued for his bungalow and adjoining land in Vepery in the name of his attorney Mr. J. M. Strachan.	310-1

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20-7-1818	Toddy Renting—Report. When the toddy farm was put up for sale there were only 3 parties of bidders for it. The highest offer was Pag. 36,500 but the proposers were unable to furnish the requisite security. The farm was therefore given to the old renters, who were entitled to some consideration on account of their punctuality, though their offer was only Pag. 35,000. But even this amount is Pag. 4,700 above that of last year.	4
27-7-18	Arrack Renting—Cowle—New clauses—Proposals. 1. The Collector proposes that the pattai arrack farm may be given to the old renters for a period of 3 years more on the same rent. The only alteration that he proposes to make in their cowle is the introduction of 3 more clauses which are as follows. 2. The renter must obtain police licences for the 50 shops allowed to be opened within the limits of the Supreme Court. If he does not do so they will be shut up and he will be subjected to such punishment as may be prescribed in the Police Regulations.	16

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	3. For the 50 shops situated outside the limits the renter should obtain licences from the Collector. If he sells arrack in any unlicensed place or removes his shops without the permission of the Collector a fine not exceeding Pag. 50 will be levied from him.	
6-8-18	4. The renter should appear at the Collector's office as often as he is called upon to do so, and he should produce such accounts and such information as may be required by the office. At the end of the farm all his accounts should be delivered in with an abstract of the whole.	46
10-8-18	5. The Board accepted the proposal to issue a triennial lease and to insert the 3 new clauses mentioned above.	55
	6. The Collector proposes to add another clause permitting the renter to relinquish his farm at the end of any year on giving a notice of 6 weeks and adjusting his accounts up to the time he actually held it.	
Toddy		
30-7-18	Renting—Complaint from bidders—Collector's remarks.	27
10-8-18	1. Arnachella Gramany and others, who had made the highest offer of Pag. 36,500 petitioned the Board complaining against the Collector for giving the farm to those who had offered less. They represent that a delay of only 2 or 3 days took place in their attempts to furnish security.	50
	2. Mr. Ellis replies that the petitioners had been given several chances of paying in the amount of the security. As they were not able to obtain the security required of them and as time was pressing the Collector was forced to give the farm to somebody else, lest by having to take it under amani even for a short time, Government should incur a loss. The advertisement had clearly stated that the Collector will not be bound to accept the highest offer. It is very doubtful whether the old renters will be able to fulfil their engagements. It would not have been wise to allow an unhealthy competition to take place among the bidders.	
31-8-18	3. The Board accepts the Collector's explanation.	110
Satambak Jaghir		
19-8-18	Payment of pension—Orders. The Collector of North Arcot informs the Collector of Madras that Government have ordered that a pension of Pag. 300 per mensem should be paid from the Madras Cutcherry to Goolam Ally Khan, son of the late Jaghirdar of Satumbak for the maintenance of his family.	64
Salt		
21-8-18	Measurement—New method—Proposed. 1. <i>Measuring.</i> In answer to a letter received from the Board Mr. Ellis replies that the present method of measuring salt by mercals 'heaped or struck' has led to great abuses. In measuring out large quantities according to this method a great loss of revenue is incurred. This is proved by the fact that the removal of the old conicopy led to an increase of revenue amounting to more than Pag. 1,300. The mercals ought to be heaped always, but in doing so the salt servants practise various frauds.	75
	2. <i>Petty sales.</i> Mr. Ellis would recommend the entire abolition of this system were it not for the hardship it would cause to the large number of basket women, who purchase at the cotars as much as they can and supply the different parts of Madras every day. Since they are very poor they cannot be expected to purchase more than 2 or 3 mercals at a time.	

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3. The selling of salt in somewhat larger quantities at fixed periods will lead to a second monopoly of the article which would be entirely in the hands of a few capitalists. This has been the experience in Bengal.

4. *Storage and sale units.*

Heaping and measuring of large quantities of salt should be done by fixing the dimensions of such heaps. Tank diggers are expert in forming these heaps which when measured will never vary more than a few mercials. This system will enable the Collectors to see at a glance the stock on hand, whereas the present system of detailed measurement causes a great deal of confusion. Lambadies and other merchants, who purchase in larger quantities, may be allotted heaps or parts of heaps, and a small percentage may be allowed them to cover any possible deficiency.

5. *Bag units.*

Or the Lambadies may be given their salt measured by bags to be supplied by Government and denoted by a special stamp.

Vepary Mission

15-9-18

Registration of property—Disputes.
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Opium Smuggling

21-9-18

Report.

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1. The Marine Police Officer reported to the Superintendent of Police that he had discovered that a large quantity of opium was about to be smuggled on board the Indiaman 'London'. From the evidence gathered by him it was found that about 15 candies of opium had been secretly carried to Sadras with the idea of sending it on board from that place. Part of this was seized by the Dutch Government while the remainder was hastily conveyed beyond Sadras. The opium is said to be the property of some European merchants of Madras.

2. Regulation III of 1818 authorizes the levy of a duty of Rs. 40 per viss on the opium that may be imported by sea at any of the ports of the Presidency. Since the opium imported overland from the Mahratta and North Western States is subject only to an inland duty of 5 per cent upon its price it is not possible to prevent the export of such opium except by extending the new regulation to opium imported by land also. If the duty of Rs. 40 per viss had been paid upon the quantity attempted to be smuggled that itself would have amounted to nearly Pag. 30,000.

Dismissal

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Amildar of Mylapore—Raja Gopala Pillai—Report.

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1. The amildar was found guilty of having reduced the estimated produce of the betel gardens, for which he received bribes from the gardeners. He also appropriated for his own use part of the quit-rent collections which he failed to bring to account. The Collector suspended him and recommends his dismissal from service.

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2. The Board authorizes his dismissal.

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Tobacco Smuggling

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Prevention—Proposals.

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1. Smuggling of tobacco, which is now carried on an extensive scale has led to a loss of revenue and has become a source of complaint from the regular merchants. The Collector, therefore, proposes certain rules intended to prevent the clandestine introduction of tobacco into Madras. The first thing that he proposes is to prohibit the storing of tobacco in the immediate vicinity of Madras. There are now

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	Tobacco Smuggling—cont. nearly 300 shops situated within 20 miles of Madras, and it is notorious that they engage gangs of sepoys and armed ruffians to smuggle tobacco into Madras. 2. <i>Licences.</i> This will be put a stop to by obliging the tobacco sellers to procure licences from the Collector of Chingleput or the Collector of Madras. They will be permitted to keep only as much of the commodity as may be required for the consumption of the place where it is allowed to be sold. They will also be bound to sell no tobacco to smugglers. 3. <i>Penalties.</i> If a person is seized with uncustomed tobacco and is also found to be armed with a club or any other weapon he will be punished with an imprisonment of 3 months. Habitual smugglers will be awarded not more than 30 stripes. Assembling in gangs for the purpose of smuggling will be treated as a revenue offence, "leaving it also to be punished as a police offence where cognisable by the general law."	
8-10-18	Smuggling Chopped piece-goods and unchopped cloths mixed—Confiscation of. 1. The Collector is of opinion that if unchopped and uncustomed pieces are found mixed up in a bale with pieces which have regularly passed the Custom House, the whole bale ought to be confiscated and not merely the unchopped pieces. 2. The Board does not agree with the Collector and directs him to confiscate only such of the pieces as have not paid the duty. It is unlawful to confiscate the regularly chopped goods even though they may be found to have been mixed up with the others.	242
10-10-18	Opium Smuggling Collector's reply. Regarding the opium that was attempted to be sent on board the 'London' from Sadras, the Collector replies that he is unable to discover where it came from, but that according to the regulations he is not authorized to stop it even if it were publicly declared to be for export from a foreign port like Sadras. If the town duties had been regularly paid he could not have detained it on any account.	249
14-10-18	Yagattal Ammal Temple	
19-11-18	Annual ceremonies—Suspension—Report. (See 990/123-30, 141-7.)	265 266
20-10-18	Stationery Store Removed to Naval Hospital. The Collector is directed to consult the Superintending Engineer regarding the alterations that have to be made to the Naval Hospital in order that the stationery store may be removed thither.	271
2-11-18	Toddy	
3-11-18	Re-renting—Proposals. The toddy renters applied for a remission on account of the loss sustained by them in the late storm. The Collector, however, refused to allow any remission, though he suggested that they might give up the farm. In order to ascertain the amount of loss that they might have suffered he proposes to invite proposals for renting the farm during the remaining part of the year. A clause will be inserted reserving to the Collector the right of refusing the offers if they are found to be inadequate, in which case he proposes to take the farm under amani.	291 296

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	1. The Collector forwards to the Board a petition received from the wardens of the Kapaleswar temple in which they represent that the widow of the late warden Subbaroya Mudali refuses to return to them a chest of jewels and some money belonging to the temple. The petitioners clearly state the circumstances under which Subbaroya Mudali was allowed to keep the chest with him. 2. As the Collector is convinced that the chest is the property of the temple he recommends that the Board may take legal action to recover it from the widow and to enforce the payment of a sum of nearly Pag. 1,200 which is due to the temple according to the accounts kept by the late Subbaroya Mudali.	
	Burning and Burial Grounds	
16-11-18	Western Esplanade—Removal to another site—Proposals. (See 990/188-9.)	349
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18-11-18	Collector—Applies for leave. To the Board. Mr. Ellis applies for leave on medical certificate for three months.	360-2
	Arrack Smuggling	
1-12-18	Report. To the Board. 1. Mr. Weigelmayer, a licensed wholesale dealer, was discovered to have removed 18 casks of Ganjam arrack under a licence obtained to remove so much American rum. As the applications for permission to remove the liquor were endorsed by Binny & Co., the Collector did not suspect any foul play. 2. Mr. Weigelmayer defends himself by saying that he was ignorant of the real nature of the contents of the casks. But the evidence is very strong against him. The Collector therefore, recommends the confiscation of the quantity seized by him and the exaction of double duty upon the quantity already disposed of.	366
	Jamabandi Report	
1-12-18	For f. 1227. 1. There is a net decrease of more than Rs. 75,000 when compared to the revenue of f. 1226. There is an increase of about 6,500 rupees under the head of land revenue. The total abkari revenue has gone down by more than Rs. 10,000. This was occasioned by several of the punch house keepers, who abandoned their licences owing to the competition of country arrack sellers. In future years the revenue arising from country arrack will make up this deficiency arising from punch houses. The toddy revenue shows a steady rise. 2. Trade has been very dull. The total value of goods cleared for export, from the Land Custom House was about 4½ lakhs of rupees less than what it was in f. 1226. Tobacco smuggling has accounted for a decrease amounting to nearly Rs. 78,000. The salt revenue shows an increase of more than Rs. 10,000.	408

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21-12-18	Orton, Mrs. Jane Lands opposite to the Governor's Garden. From Mrs. Orton. The grant in the name of the late Mr. Orton has been pledged to Messrs. De Fries & Co., but as the lands are to be sold shortly the grant will be returned to the Collector for the purpose of renewing it in the name of the new purchaser.	454-5
24-12-18	Tobacco Smuggling Draft Regulations. 1. The Board transmits to the Collector a copy of the draft of a regulation submitted to Government. 2. <i>Stocks.</i> The proposed regulation is based upon the rules framed by Mr. Ellis. It is to include ganja and bang also. No person shall stock more than 5 viss of tobacco, one viss of ganja or one viss of bang within 20 miles of the limits of the Supreme Court, without entering into an agreement with the Collector of Chingleput for a sum equal to 10 times the value of the tobacco he wishes to store. Smuggling of this tobacco by himself or with his connivance will lead to the forfeiture of his agreement and the cancelling of his licence. 3. <i>Storage.</i> No tobacco may be stored within the limits of Madras except in the places assigned by the Collector, to which he will have access at all times. No sales should be made except a register is kept by the seller and a permit issued by him to the purchaser. If the quantity in store is at any time found to be more or less than what it should be the whole will be forfeited and his licence will be cancelled. 4. <i>Penalties.</i> Persons proved to be connected with smuggling will be fined 8 times the value of the articles smuggled or attempted to be smuggled. People who receive smuggled goods will be subjected to the same penalty. Smugglers, if more than 3 in number, will be prosecuted before the Court of Circuit and sentenced to hard labour for 3 years. 5. Government servants who take part in smuggling directly or indirectly will be dismissed from service, and punished by the Court of Circuit. The fines that may be imposed upon offenders will be recovered like arrears of rent. All public officers are expected to do their utmost to suppress smuggling. Failure to render help when required will entail dismissal from service. Enquiries made under this regulation will be conducted in a summary manner by the Judge of the sillah of Chingleput. 6. The Board will be authorized to empower the Collector to rent the collections of the duty leviable upon tobacco etc., for such time as the Board thinks fit.	470
31-12-18	Roads North and East of the Collector's office—Improvements to. The Collector is authorized to widen the roads lying to the north and east of the Naval Hospital, now converted into the Collector's office and Land Custom House. His proposal to utilise the ground, reclaimed by the deepening of the channel of the river at Chintadripettah, as a stand for the cattle and men arriving at the Land Custom House is not approved because it will prove a source of nuisance to the neighbourhood. Government direct the Road Committee to enclose this piece of ground.	486

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- 8-1-1819 Authority of courts over—Discussion.
From the Government, Law Department.
Messrs. Ellis and Oliver and Mr. Anderson, the Persian Translator, are directed to afford the Advocate-General "all the assistance and information in their power" with a view to bringing to a successful issue the suit instituted in the Supreme Court by the descendant of Assim Khan regarding the pension allowed to Kallimulla Khan by the Government. Government want to establish that in the first instance the court has no jurisdiction in this matter and secondly that they have the authority to revoke such grants of pensions.
- 12-1-19 ————Reply.
Mr. Ellis has had an interview with the Advocate-General in connection with the subject.
- Burning and Burial Ground**
- 9-1-19 Black Town Esplanade—Objections to removal.
To the proposal of the Military Board, viz., that the burning and burial ground situated on the western side of the Black Town Esplanade should be removed to some other site, the Collector replies that a more suitable locality cannot be chosen and that a forcible removal will cause infinite hardship to the people of several villages, who have more than once been forced to change their burning and burying places. The Collector does not recommend the use of any other site for this purpose.
- Cart-stand**
- 11-1-19 North of the Land Custom House—Land acquisition—Proposals.
1. Since Government object to utilising the site reclaimed from the river near Chintadripettah, for this purpose the Collector proposes that the piece of open ground lying to the north of the new Land Custom House may be purchased and converted into a stand for the carts and coolies arriving at the Land Custom House.
2. The Board considers that the price estimated by the Collector is very high and that the area proposed for acquisition is excessive. The Deputy Collector in charge is directed to recommend another site or to state whether the price cannot be moderated.
- Salt Manufacture**
- 2-8-19 Particulars—Answers to questions.
Salt is not purchased from other districts except in the case of a scarcity. It is heaped under cover of cadjan leaves on a platform or 'Ambarada'. Sales are almost exclusively for the consumption of Madras. The manufacturers are paid 2½ pagodas per garce on the actual sales, which is a fixed rate. Payment is made to them at the end of every month on the quantity sold. Prepayment is not a desirable change, because they will no longer have an interest in preserving the salt from pilferage or wastage, as they have now. Salt is piled in heaps containing about ten garce, by gauge. The quantity produced by each man is not usually stored separately. The half mercial, containing four measures, is the usual unit of measurement used for heaping it. The minimum quantity that is sold at a time is half a mercial.

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21-1-19	For f. 1227—Board's review. The considerable loss of revenue which has occurred in the Land Customs department owing to the activities of smugglers must be put a stop to. The Board therefore requests Government to approve as early as possible the draft of the regulations submitted by the Board. The Deputy Collector in charge is directed to exercise particular vigilance over his native servants in that department in order to minimise the loss.	93
	Poonamalle Burial Ground	
8-2-19	Grant. From the Board. The Government sanction the purchase of the ground for Pag. 28, but they do not consider that a grant should be issued because it has become and will continue the property of the Honourable Company.	104-5
5-4-19	From the Board. The Collector is directed to issue a grant for the chapel and the burial ground in order that they may be consecrated.	373-5
	Jaghir	
8-12-19	Satambak and Pundi—Pension—Subdivision application—Board's remarks. Several members of the late jaghirdar's family complain that Goolam Ally Khan, who receives the pension of Rs. 1,000 per month, does not maintain them as he is bound to do. The Board, in forwarding this petition to the Collector, directed him to endeavour to adjust the dispute amicably, and to impress upon the actual recipient of the pension his duty of maintaining the other members of the family. The extent of such individual allowances should be left to his discretion as far as possible.	129
	Lane, Mr.	
9-2-19	Deputy Collector—Complaints of conduct. 1. Government call upon Mr. Lane to reply to the representation made by Mr. Macleod, the Superintendent of Stationery, regarding Mr. Lane's breaking open into and forcibly occupying a house hitherto occupied by the acting Superintendent of Stationary.	143
13-2-19	2. Mr. Lane replies that the room in question was locked but that when pushed, opened of itself. It was found vacant except for some furniture belonging to the Collector's office. The Superintendent has never received official permission to occupy it. Such a proposal was not under contemplation at any time because the room was required by the Collector's establishment itself. Mr. Lane represents that his conduct has never before been impeached in this manner.	
	Dent's Gardens	
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	The Military Board recommended that the site offered by the Church Missionary Society near Popham's old house, may be accepted. The society may be paid the expenses incurred by them in building part of a church on that site. Government accepted the recommendation and directed that the Collector should take steps to acquire the land in the usual manner.	
	Uncurrent Silver Coins	
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	Tobacco Smuggling	
11-3-19	Counter-charges—Investigation of.	200
	1. Ram Naicken an under dealer of tobacco complained to the Board that as the result of a search made by him and some of the peons, with the consent of the Assistant Collector, he had been able to discover in the house of one Shupu Chetty certain accounts showing the amount of tobacco clandestinely introduced into Madras by him.	
	2. The people of the neighbourhood, however, tried to prevent him from taking the accounts to the Collector's assistant. A counter-charge was brought against him and 3 of the Collector's peons for trespass and house-breaking. The sitting Magistrate has in consequence of this charge confined them in prison pending further trial.	
	3. The Board directs the Deputy Collector in charge to take steps to have them defended by the law officers of the Company.	
17-3-19	4. The Collector reports that the facts are true and that it is necessary to defend the parties.	202
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12-3-19	North of the Land Custom House—Dent's Gardens.	250
	1. Mr. Lane reports to the Board that he has found a suitable space for forming a cart-stand in the vicinity of the Land Custom House. The land is included in what is known as 'Dent's Gardens' and the owner is willing to part with it for Pag. 50 per cawni. Between this ground and the Collector's outchery, there is a road leading to the Vepery Barracks. This may be closed without inconvenience. The total space available for the purpose will in that case become greater.	
26-4-19	2. Government prefer the site recommended by Mr. Ellis even though it may be more costly.	412-3
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	The Deputy Collector in charge reports the death of Goolam Ally Khan and recommends that Hyder Ally Khan, the only other son of the late jaghirdar, may be paid the pension of Pag. 300 per month. The members of the family cannot be brought to consent to an amicable adjustment of their claims to the pension.	

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31-3-19	Church Missionary Society Land in Acharappan St. From Rev. M. Thompson. Forwards the title-deeds of the ground "situated in Acharappan street, Peddu Naick's Pettah, purchased lately for the erection of a church for native Protestant Christians."	343
31-3-19	Tobacco Smuggling Armed gangs—Report. To the Board. 1. The Deputy Collector in charge forwards the several representations received by him from his servants in the Land Customs department about the depredations committed by the smugglers of tobacco, who go about in gangs and openly defy the peons. He suggests that armed guards of sepoys may be stationed near the mettus to help the peons when required. 2. In his opinion smuggling of tobacco can be prevented only by reducing the duty on it and thereby rendering it cheap enough to the general consumer. Tobacco is not exactly an article of luxury but is one of necessity in some form or other to everybody. By the reduction of the duty, the smuggler will find his undertaking less profitable, and the fair trader will have a chance of carrying on his trade unmolested by the smuggler.	349-64
1-4-19	Tobacco Inland duty—Reduction—Notification. 1. The Board directs the Collector to notify that in future the duty on tobacco will be reduced to half of what it is at present, viz., 1st sort 3 fanams and 20 cash per viss. 2nd sort 3 fanams per viss. 3rd sort 2 fanams and 60 cash.	384
5-4-19	2. The Collector should report the effect of this reduction at the end of this month.	389
14-4-19	Ellis, Mr. F. W. Death. To the Civil Auditor. The precise date of his death is not known to the Deputy Collector in charge.	392
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10-4-19	Foreign Spirits Brandy etc.—Increased importation—Remarks of the Collector of Sea Customs. The Board directs the Collector to report upon a letter received from the Sea Customs department through the Board of Trade and Government regarding the increased import of spirits manufactured to the west of the Cape of Good Hope. The impression of a high import duty upon arrack has enabled the importers of brandy, rum and gin to sell these spirits at a rate considerably below that of arrack. As it is desirable to restrict the sale of these cheap and unwholesome spirits, it is suggested that an excise duty should be imposed upon this description of foreign spirits. When they become as dear as arrack, the sale of the latter will naturally increase.	420-20
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	The Board transmits to the Collector its correspondence with Government, regarding the payment of a pension of Pag. 250 per annum to Noordeen Ally Khan, grandson of the late Jaghirdar of Somadangi. This amount is directed to be paid by the Collector of Madras for the convenience of the recipient, who is a permanent inhabitant of Madras.	
29-4-19	Tobacco Smuggling Search warrant—Legality—Government's remarks.	449-54
	In connection with the search made by Ram Naicken and others in the house of Soboo Chitty, suspected of smuggling tobacco, Government observe that the law officers should not be asked to defend the accused, because it is not proper to employ them in a case where the charge is one of theft committed during the execution of a search warrant. Government also question the authority of the Assistant Collector to issue a warrant for searching a person's house.	
1-5-19	Popham's Broadway Improvements to. From Maj. D'Havilland.	460-1
	He has been directed by the Justices in Sessions to reform "the principal streets in the Black Town from the Fort Esplanade to the Trivattoor gate, along Popham's Broadway etc." He therefore requests that some maistris may be ordered to wait upon him to point out the limits of the several houses in the street.	
4-5-19	———Reply. A maistri named Swami Mudali has been ordered to attend upon him.	462
6-5-19	Customs Piece-goods for export—Chopping instructions. 1. Messrs. Parry & Co. had occasion to sell some piece-goods which had originally passed the Land Custom House under the denomination of goods for export. As was usual in such cases, only the bales were noted. They were not opened. When some of the cloths were sold in Madras, they were seized and detained by the customs peons. 2. The Collector of Sea Customs suggested that to meet such a possibility, it should be inserted in the certificates issued by the Land Custom House that if the cloths are not exported by any chance, they should be brought to the Custom House again to be chopped piece by piece. The Board of Trade recommended its adoption and Government accordingly directed the Collector of Madras to observe this rule.	475-92
10-5-19	Katambak Jaghir Pension to family—Orders. 1. On the death of Goolam Ally Khan, the eldest son of the late jaghirdar, the Collector recommended that the pension of Pag. 800 per month may be paid to Hyder Ally Khan. 2. The Board opined that such pensions cannot be claimed as a matter of right, because they were granted by Government as charity. When the recipients die, the pensions ought to lapse. However, considering the needy circumstances of such families, the Board suggested that as a general rule, the pension might be paid on the death of the first recipient of the pension. But in this case, the	499-506

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	Satambak Jaghir—cont. pension was granted very recently and the death of Goolam Ally Khan cannot have diminished the expenses of the family by half. Therefore, the Board recommended and Government granted a pension amounting to Pag. 200 per month or $\frac{1}{3}$ of the original amount.	
11-5-19	Vehicle Tax Proposals to levy. From the Secretary to the Road Committee. Mr. Ellis, the late Collector, was entrusted with the work of preparing a list showing the number of "wheel carriages and pleasure horses" in the town with a view to levying a tax upon them. If he has prepared any such list, it is to be forwarded to the Committee.	507-8
13-5-19	—Reply. A statement prepared by Mr. Ellis is forwarded.	512-3
15-5-19	Tobacco Smuggling Search warrant—Legality discussed. Replying to the remarks of Government regarding the legality of his issuing a warrant to search the house of Sooba Chetty, Mr. Lane represents that the Judges who tried Rama Naiken and others considered that his warrant was quite legal. Though it is nowhere definitely said that the Collector may issue warrants to search houses, it is presumed that it is the only way to discover smuggled goods kept in houses. Particular care is always taken to see that the proof is strong before such a warrant is issued. If the issue of such warrant is irregular, the provisions of Sec. xvi of Reg. III of 1812 cannot be carried out. Mr. Lane represents that he has temporarily put a stop to the practice pending the orders of Government regarding the proper method of bringing smugglers before the Magistrate of Chingleput.	521
17-5-19	Drunkenness Grand Jury's remarks. From the Board. The Collector is directed to report whether the increase in drunkenness which is made the subject of an address to the Supreme Court by the Grand Jury is due to the illicit sale of spirits, and to suggest a suitable remedy for the vice.	527
17-5-19	Tobacco Inland duty—Effects of reduction—From the Board. It is very satisfactory to note that the reduction of the duty by 50 per cent. has not produced a reduction of revenue. The collections made in April are not greatly below those made in the corresponding month of last year. The Collector should send a monthly statement showing the revenue from this source.	531
20-5-19	Land Customs Establishment New arrangements—Report. The Collector reports to the Board that owing to the closer supervision that has been latterly exercised over the servants of the Land Customs department, the collections in that department have increased. The daroga, who was formerly at the head of these servants, has been dismissed and his post abolished. He is suspected of having made vexatious delays in passing goods. Since his dismissal and the transfer of several other hands to the taluks, the efficiency of the department has increased. Delay has been considerably minimised and merchants are gradually acquiring the habit of making their representations to the officers direct instead of through their brokers and the daroga.	559

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	Brick-kilns	
5-19	Complaints against. From Messrs. Cooper, Yeldham and L. G. K. Murray. They complain that two kilns set up in the neighbourhood of their houses form a nuisance, and request that they may be ordered to be removed.	570-2
5-19	———Reply. It is impossible to cancel their licence without being sued for damages by the parties. The Collector will forward their representation to the Board, if necessary.	580-1
	Salt Manufacture	
5-19	Manali pans—Compensation—Collector's remarks. Permission to manufacture was again granted to the shotriundar, Tombiapah only in April 1816, when it was already too late to commence operations. He is therefore entitled to compensation for f. 1225. The Collector recommends the payment of a compensation for that year only.	583
	Ellis, Mr. F. W.	
5-19	Personal property. To Mr. Shaw, Administrator to the estate of Mr. Ellis. Forwards "three books, two silver and four ebony sotas, two ivory sticks, two spears and one Nair knife," which belonged to Mr. Ellis. If any official papers are found in his lodgings they may be returned to the cutchery.	587

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	Black Town	
5-1787	Quit-rent—Survey—Increase reported. Mr. Lind reports to the Board that he has surveyed the whole of the Black Town and that the large number of new houses that have been recently built has raised the total valuation of houses etc., considerably above the valuation made in 1770. At the present rate of assessment this ought to produce a quit-rent of more than Pag. 18,000 which is nearly Pag. 5,000 above that of 1786.	1
	Assignment of Land	
1-90	Revision of fees—Proposals to Government. The Board represents that the high fees now demanded for grants of even small plots of lands deter people from applying for them. It is therefore suggested that the fees for grants for land less than 5 cawnies may be reduced to Pag. 5. For lands varying in extent between 5 and 10 cawnies the fees will be Pag. 10 and for lands above 10 cawnies the fees will be Pag. 20.	4
	Anderson, Dr.	
1-91	Gardens—Exemption from quit-rent. Government resent the liberty which Dr. Anderson has taken in appropriating more land for his use than was allowed to him by his grant. They, however, recommend to the Court of Directors that his gardens may be exempted from quit-rent on account of his great zeal and industry, which has rendered cultivable the most barren part of Madras.	8

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	Quit-rent	
19-9-92	Rates. An extract from a letter from England shows that all houses above the value of Pag. 20 paid a quit-rent of 10 fanams for every Pag. 100.	9
19-9-92	H.H. the Nawab of the Carnatic Exemption from quit-rent. The Court of Directors relinquish their claim on His Highness for quit-rent.	10
9-7-01	Tondiarpet and Attapollam Report. 1. Swamy Naick, the Collector of Quit-rent, submits to the Board his report upon the survey of the two villages. 2. He proposes that the mirasidars may be obliged to pay a quit-rent instead of paying the Government's share of the crops. This system will enable Government to perceive at a glance what amount will be realised every year. 3. Several persons have applied for grants, but he has been forced to refuse some of them because their titles are not regular. There are several persons who have not yet produced their title deeds. They should be forced to produce them if they have them. 4. A list of gardens etc., situated within the limits of the two villages is appended.	25-67
22-7-01	St. Thomé Survey report. From the Quit-rent Collector. The survey shows that there are at present nearly 1,000 cawnies more in the village of St. Thomé than are shown in the tarapady accounts.	68
19-10-01	Tondiarpet Mirasi lands—Assessment—Orders.	73-93
31-10-01	(See 996/83-118.)	
31-10-01	Ennore and Madras Canal Construction proposals.	80-9
14-11-01	(See 996/95-118.)	
1-9-02	St. Thomé Survey report to the Board. 1. The Quit-rent Collector proposes that a money assessment may be levied from the mirasidars as was done in the case of the mirasidars of Tondiarpettah. 2. <i>Disputes.</i> Disputes regarding the occupancy of land were numerous. These were mostly settled by arbitration. Several Mahomedans have enclosed lands under the pretext of worshipping the tomb of their ancestors buried there. Exemption from quit-rent may be allowed in such cases. Lands endowed to religious institutions may similarly be exempted from quit-rent. 3. <i>Paracheris etc.</i> There are 12 paracheris in St. Thomé. Such of the Pariars as are actually engaged in cultivating their lands may be given grants free of quit-rent. There are three coopams of fishermen, who represent that they serve the Company and that owing to their poverty they may be exempted from quit-rent.	97-142

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	4. <i>Exemption claimed.</i> The people of Alwarpettah claim exemption from quit-rent on the ground that their houses are situated on the maniyam lands belonging to the temple, and that they are paying a monthly tax for the use of the pagoda. The Quit-rent Collector has prevailed upon some people to take some part of Quible Island, which is at present lying waste.	
	5. Annexed is a list of gardens, lands etc., in St. Thomé showing the particulars regarding them.	
4-11-02	Survey report—Board's review to Government.	143-53
	6. The Board recommends the proposal to demand a money assessment from the mirasidars. Exemption from quit-rent may be granted to mosques etc. The proposal to give grants free of quit-rent to the cultivating Pariars is also approved. The coopams of the fishermen may also be exempted. The inhabitants of Alwarpettah may be given grants free of quit-rent, provided they agree to pay the tax due to the temple. Messrs. Latour & Co., who object to the burying place near their house, were told some time ago that they should obtain the consent of the people to remove it from the present site. Since several of the inhabitants have been persuaded to use another ground for this purpose the use of the old one may be prevented altogether.	
15-1-08	7. Government approved all these proposals.	154-9
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11-2-08	Quit-rent—Revision notification. (See 986/205-22.)	160
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29-11-10	Exemption from quit-rent—Application and orders.	167-9
8-12-10	(See 987/29-40, 78-98.)	172-4
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Regulations—1802-16—List of.

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Triplicane Temple

20-5-1799 Warden's misconduct—Petition.

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27-5-99 From the Board.

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- 28-5-99 1. The Board transmits to the Malabar Translator a petition received from several Brahmins of Triplicane complaining against the warden of the temple.
- 1-6-99 2. On investigation he found that a few discontented people had drawn out the petition and induced several people to sign it even though they were ignorant of the nature of the contents. Mr. George Read, the Translator, took the statements of several of the persons who had subscribed to the petition. The charge of embasement was not proved.

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	3. The only source of real complaint was the introduction of some changes in the manner of distributing the holy rice etc. It was generally admitted that the warden had ordered it to be given first to a set of Brahmins, known as condadier, which was against the usage.	
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8-1-00	4. The Board approved the proceedings of Mr. Read and directed him to fine some of the malcontents. A committee of respectable natives was directed to be appointed to lay down the rules which should govern the warden and other servants of the temple in the distribution of holy rice etc. The committee accordingly drew up a set of rules for the proper management of this affair, which was approved by the Board and ordered to be published and affixed at the temple.	
-10-07	5. A further petition was received from Vedantachary, one of those who were fined in the former instance. He represented that the warden was appropriating the surplus funds of the temple for his own use.	47
10-11-08	6. In this instance the Collector found on enquiry that the surplus funds were invested in Company's paper on behalf of the temple and that the interest accruing upon it was spent for the temple.	
	Inland Customs	
1-1-95	Rates of fees—Statement to the Board. The land customer forwards a statement showing the rates at which the different fees are collected. These are divided into (a) land customer's fees, (b) head conicoply's fees, (c) town conicoply's fees, (d) fees to churches and (e) charitable institutions.	53
30-4-96	—Fees collected for charitable and religious endowments— Abolition proposed.	59
7-5-96	1. The Board calls upon the land customer to state the names of the religious institutions entitled to such fees and the authority under which such collections are made. 2. He replies that the land customer does not interfere in these collections. The wardens of the several temples arrange with somebody, usually a conicoply of the Custom House to collect their fees. The present agent named Subramania Pillai has submitted a statement showing the authority under which these collections are made and the rates at which they are levied. Almost all the important temples in the Black Town are included. Some of the grants date from a period as early as 1727.	61-7
15-5-96	3. The land customer is directed to give fuller particulars of the way in which these fees are collected or enforced. The Board wants to know whether all natives are made to pay this fees or whether there are any exceptions. 4. Penalties. He forwards the original donation deeds authorizing these collections on behalf of seven temples. The remaining deeds are in the custody of private persons. All persons except Europeans, Portuguese, Armenians and Malabar Christians pay these fees. There is only one known instance in which the goods were detained for enforcing payment. In this case the trouble arose from the refusal of one Ponnappa Pillai, who was well known for his activities in raising caste disputes. The land customer desires to have definite orders on the subject.	68

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	Inland Customs—cont.	
14-3-96	5. He proposes that these collections as well as fees of all kinds may be abolished, provided an increased duty of half per cent. is levied on articles already paying two and a half per cent. ad valorem duty.	73-9
25-3-96	6. The Board recommended to Government that the collection of the various kinds of fees may be put a stop to as it leads to abuse and vexatious delay to merchants. The compensation that will have to be made to the servants of the department may be deducted out of the collections or may be realized from an additional assessment.	79-81
10-4-96	7. Government direct that the collection of all kinds of fees should be stopped and that the temples may be paid half of the collections arising from the levy of the usual duty of five per cent. on all valuable sorts of goods. This amount will be distributed by the land customer with the consent of the Board. The abolition of these fees will enable the land customer to reduce the number of servants employed under him. No new or additional assessment is therefore necessary.	81
23-4-96	8. The orders of Government are published by the land customer. A statement showing the rates which temples should receive is annexed.	85
13-8-96	9. The wardens of the several temples are obliged to enter into an agreement with the Board.	104

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	Vepary Mission Property	
5-6-1819	Disputes. To the Committee for the Mission property. The Collector states that he is not authorized to grant certificates for lands which are in the possession of others. It is not for him to find out how they obtained possession of such lands. The Collector suggests that if the Committee will be satisfied with the quit-rent due on these lands the permission of Government may be obtained to receive the quit-rent from the Christian inhabitants on behalf of the church. They now hold the lands free of quit-rent, but since they claim the lands to be their own and not church property they will be obliged to pay quit-rent.	854-7
	Observatory Assistant	
17-3-19	House at Nungambakam—Exemption from quit-rent. To the Board. The Collector forwards Srinivasachari's petition and recommends that the house given to him by the Government in the Brahmins' street at Nungambakam and the lands attached to it may be exempted from quit-rent.	859-60
	Tobacco	
16-6-19	Inland duty—Levy at Roshanagaram—Proposals. To the Board. The Collector forwards a petition received from the tobacco merchants representing that smuggling is still going on and that the best means of preventing it would be to levy the duty at Roshanagaram which is now the place from whence it is clandestinely introduced into Madras.	890

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18-6-19	Drunkenness Prevention. To the Board. If drunkenness has increased it must be due to the inefficiency of the Police. It is their duty to report instances of misconduct or breach of agreement on the part of shop-keepers, and it is competent only to the Justices of the Peace to punish such persons. All that the Collector is capable of doing is to deprive a person of his licence on proof of his violating the terms of his cowl. Illicit introduction of liquor has nothing to do with the drunkenness complained of.	863
19-6-19	Sheik Mohideen, Subadar Assignment of land. To the Board. Though the village of Velchumbakam in which he is assigned certain lands is within the abkari limits of Madras the Collector has no jurisdiction over them.	864-5
21-6-19	Spottiswoode, Mr. Hugh Appointed Collector of Madras.	866
5-7-19	Tobacco Duty Renting proposals. To the Board. Mr. Spottiswoode, the Collector, proposes to rent the collection of duty on tobacco etc., in order to put a stop to the activities of smugglers. The present reduced duty of 3 fanams 20 cash per viss is too low. He proposes that it may be increased to 4 fanams 40 cash.	877
7-7-19	Bribery Appraiser, Seeranga Chetty—Report. To the Board. Seeranga Chetty was found guilty of having received bribes from several merchants in return for undervaluing their goods. Mr. Lane examined several persons regarding this person's conduct and found from their statements that his guilt was sufficiently proved. The Collector, therefore, recommends that he may be dismissed from the service.	883-85
17-7-19	Quit-rent Recovery by distraint—Proposals. The Collector is of the opinion that the only way to realise the quit-rent without allowing a large part of it to fall into arrears is to enforce recovery by distraint and sale of lands upon which it is due. He requests that the Board may empower him to sell such lands in all cases where he thinks fit to do so.	904
20-7-19	Singana Chetti, G. Charity lands.	913-5
16-8-19	To the Board. The Collector recommends Singana Chetti's request to exchange the lands endowed by him to the Goddess in Vyasarpadi for an equal extent in another part of the same village. He also recommends that the lands presented by Singana Chetti as a gift to Codoor Subba Sastri may be exempted from quit-rent.	923-7
19-9-19	—To the Board. The Government do not incur any loss of revenue by the exchange. The quit-rent imposed upon Subba Sastri's lands is unjust.	955
23-8-19	Arrack Strength of. To the Commissary General. The Collector represents that several French house-keepers had given up their licences on account of the weak spirits	982

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	Arrack—cont. that are supplied to them. This has caused a loss of revenue to Government. He therefore requests that somewhat stronger arrack may be supplied to the retail dealers. Colombo proof may perhaps be taken as the standard.	
16-10-19	Tobacco Export to Malabar—Drawback applied for. To the Board. A merchant wishes to ship some tobacco to the Malabar Coast. He desires to be allowed a drawback of the difference between the consumption duty paid by him and the general export duty of 8 %. The Collector reports the case to the Board for orders.	984
25-9-19	Government Godown Opposite to the old Land Custom House—Sale proposed. To the Board. A person named Gurusamy Chetti offers to purchase the old godown situated opposite to the old land custom house. The Collector proposes to auction it.	983-4
27-10-19	Embezzlement Collector's subordinates—Report. To the Board. 1. Mr. Spottiswoode reports that almost all the Amildars and conicoplies have been discovered to be guilty of misappropriation of public funds. They have rendered the accounts as confused as possible with a view to making the detection of their frauds difficult. The Collector has suspended some and demanded security from the rest. 2. Another instance of embezzlement was reported from Atteput, where the manufacturers were found to have secreted nearly 25 garce of salt with the intention of selling it for their own benefit. They threw the whole of this into the river when discovered. The Collector proposes to realise the value of this quantity from them and to restrict the manufacture at those pans to a very small quantity in future.	981-98
29-10-19	Suncoo Rama Chetti Lands in Vyaserpadi—Quit-rent arrears—Collector's report. 1. Suncoo Rama Chetty owes nearly Rs. 150 on some lands held by him at Vyaserpady. He declares his inability to pay the quit-rent because of the unproductiveness of the soil. 2. On enquiry the Collector found that he had been given this land in exchange for the salt pans acquired from him for the purpose of the canal. It is well known that the exchange was in a way forced upon him. 3. The land taken from him was 2 cawnies in extent. These 2 cawnies form only his share of the original plot given to his family by Government. Mr. Spottiswoode suggests that these 2 cawnies and the amount realised by Government from them may be returned to Suncoo Rama, in which case he will have to pay the quit-rent due on the 12 cawnies in Vyaserpady. Regarding the claims of several people to various parts of the ground in Tondiarpettah, the Collector proposes that they may be told to prove their claims in a court of law.	1000-11
10-11-19	Yegatal Ammal Temple Annual festival—Disputes—Collector's remarks. The Collector forwards 3 petitions received from the people of the right hand and left hand castes and the Pariahs regarding the method of conducting the annual festivals and processions. Each party differs from the other. The	1015-23

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	Yegatal Ammal Temple—cont.	
	Collector therefore, recommends that he may be allowed to keep aloof from helping this party or the other, until they come to an amicable arrangement among themselves.	
	Jamabandi Report	
1-12-19	For f. 1228. The revenue shows a decrease of nearly Rs. 1,20,000 when compared to f. 1227. The deficit has been caused by the depression in trade and the great prevalence of tobacco smuggling. It is hoped that the revenue from tobacco will show an improvement in the next fasli. Arrack, toddy and salt all show an increase.	1030-5
	Salt Manufacture	
23-12-19	Madras pans—Resumption proposals. The inhabitants of Trivettore, Sattangaud etc., petition that they may be allowed to resume the manufacture of salt at their pans. The manufacture was formerly stopped in 1915 on the recommendation of Mr. Ellis who considered that their proximity to Madras facilitated smuggling. It is, however, now realised that the Atteput pans are equally suited for smuggling and other abuses. Mr. Spottiswoode therefore recommends to the Board that the manufacture at the Madras pans may be resumed.	1049
	Quit-rent	
28-12-19	Uniformity of—Collector's explanation. (See 990/321-4.)	1054

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(b) Miscellaneous.

(ii) Sent.

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Arrack

5-1-1820	Strength of complaints—Collector's report. The arrack renters complain that the liquor issued by the Commissary General is weaker than it used to be. The Collector learnt on enquiry that he was diluting it with water in order to safeguard the health of the European soldiery. He, therefore, intimated to the latter that it was not regular and that the retail dealers were entitled to receive arrack of a strength equal to 20 % under London proof instead of 25 %.	660-6
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Ekambareswar Temple

15-1-20	Property at Ayanavaram. To the Collector of the Jaghir. "The proceeds of Dharmaraya Pillai's garden at Ayanavaram have been appropriated to the benefit of the Church" from A.D. 1801.	670
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Powder Mills

2-2-20	Land acquisition—Compensation to inhabitants of Vyaserpadi. To the Board. Part of the land acquired for the construction of the powder mills was taken from Nedumbara and part from Vyaserpady. The inhabitants of Nedumbara have already applied for and obtained the value of their land with interest upon the amount from the date of acquisition. The Collector, therefore, recommends that the inhabitants of Vyaserpady may also be remunerated in the same way.	680
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Vayalur Village
Jamabandi report—For f. 1228.

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1. The result of the settlement is favourable when compared to the last fifteen years, in spite of the storm and the floods. The assessment on nunjah lands, which was calculated in f. 1227 on the actual selling price of the Government's share of the crop, was in this year calculated on the average produce and price of the last 14 years. This method has enabled the Collector to assess the lands according to their extent and productivity instead of waiting till the harvest is over. The mirasidars have divided the lands among themselves and each of them has held himself responsible for the payment of the assessment due on his 'tadi' or group of fields. The assessment on each 'tadi' is more or less equal. This method was found to be more popular than that of assessing according to the classification of the soil.
2. The settlement was made with the mirasidars and the ryots in their turn entered into an agreement with them for their share of the assessment under the immediate control of the Collector. The maniyams are ordered to be paid by the several cultivators on the production of chits from the curnum.

7-2-20

Ground-rent
Shops on Circar lands—Proposals.
To the Board.

700-5

1. Several merchants having erected shops on Circar ground were in the habit of paying a quit-rent to certain 'head shop-keepers.' The Collector has therefore demanded ground rent from these people. This has been protested against by some of the head shop-keepers. It is however but just that the ground rent due on Government lands should go to Government and not to private parties who have no right to allot such lands to other individuals.
2. A table showing the rates at which these shops are proposed to be assessed is annexed.

4-2-20

Collector's Residence
At the Cutcherry.
To the Board.

715-6

Mr. Spottiswoode reports that he has converted one of the buildings forming the cutcherry into a dwelling place for his use and recommends that Mr. Vivian, his Assistant, may be allowed to occupy it during his absence on leave. "The utility of residing in the office has been proved by the increase of the revenue."

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Jamabandi Report
For f. 1229.
To the Board.

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The total revenue of this year amounts to Rs. 8,24,785-15-4 as compared to Rs. 6,89,576-11-10 of the last, showing an increase of Rs. 2,35,109-3-6. The revenue from abkari has increased by more than Rs. 83,000. The toddy revenue has also increased by nearly Rs. 40,000. Land customs show an increase of nearly Rs. 60,000. This is accounted for by the decrease of smuggling. The tobacco revenue also shows a considerable increase which may be attributed to the same cause. Reduction of duty has also contributed to produce this result. The detection of frauds in the Salt department has been responsible for an increase in that branch of revenue of upwards of Rs. 11,000.

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Tea etc.—Import by land—Proposals.

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1. The Collector reports that a French gentleman has imported some tea and other china articles through the Land Custom House. As these articles are not included in the land custom tariff he has escaped payment of such duties as he would have had to pay if he had imported them regularly through the Sea Custom House.
2. The Collector proposes that the rate paid at the sea customs by such articles may be demanded in this instance and that these articles may in future be included in the land custom tariff also.

Bullock-stand

1-3-20

Site proposed.

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To the Board.

1. Mambalam Rangiah Naik has offered his ground to the south of the Land Custom House at the rate of Pag. 56 a ground. Mr. Dent's offer is Pag. 50. Both are equally convenient though Mr. Dent's piece of ground is more extensive.

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2. That portion of the ground purchased from Mr. Dent for the cart-stand which is not required by the Government may be sold along with the buildings standing upon it. Being in the vicinity of the Land Custom House they are sure to fetch a high price. "The improvement in the road might still be effected, the building be closed toward the Poonamalle road and the new road between the Custom House and River marked out and disposed of exactly as recommended" by Maj. De Havilland.

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Arrack

6-3-20

Strength of—Board's orders—Reply of the Collector.

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1. The Board having censured the Collector for accepting liquor of the strength of 20 per cent. instead of 25 per cent., the Collector replies as follows.
2. There is no liquor imported at 25 per cent. below London proof. Diluting it so as to reach that standard will make it weak in taste. The customers will therefore seek the country arrack shops in preference to the punch houses and Batavia shops. As the soldiers are provided with separate canteens and as they are not supplied by any of the arrack shops it is not likely that their health will be spoiled.

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3. The Commissary General has been requested to supply arrack of the strength of 25 per cent.

Inland Customs

10-3-20

Ghee—Increase of duty—Complaint—Collector's remarks.

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Several people complained to the Collector and the Board that the increase of duty on ghee from 6 to 8 per cent. was a source of hardship to them. On enquiry the Collector found that the complainants were not merchants but were only brokers and that they had been guilty of forging the names of several prominent ghee merchants in order to give weight to their petition. The duty on their commodity was formerly 10 per cent. Owing to scarcity it was reduced temporarily to 6 per cent. by Mr. Ellis. Now that it is very cheap the Collector has raised it to 8 per cent. which he considers is a moderate assessment.

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10-3-20	Komaleswararnpet Temple Maniyams—Disputes—Report. The temple manyam had been given in to the payakari occupants by a cowl granted by the mirasidars of Egmore. When the payakari occupants applied for certificates the Collector granted them on the strength of their long possession. The mirasidars, however, contend the propriety of issuing such certificates. The Collector is of the opinion that these certificates do not prevent the mirasidars from receiving their dues. In fact the certificates entitle the temple and the mirasidars to receive the sums due to them according to the cowl.	745-7
11-3-20	Spottiswoode, Mr. Hugh Collector goes on leave. To the Government and the Board. He is sailing on the 'Millish' for the Cape of Good Hope. Mr. Lane has taken charge of the Collectorate.	747-8
7-4-20	Peons Dismissal—Procedure. 1. Mr. Lane, the acting Collector, replies to the Board regarding the circumstances under which Mr. Spottiswoode dismissed several of his peons. From what he can learn he finds that the late Collector has been somewhat hasty in his action, but he believes that there might have been other reasons for his doing so. 2. The Collector should be allowed to dismiss his peons whenever he thinks fit to do so, but Mr. Lane suggests that it may be proper to keep a register showing the grounds on which they were dismissed.	755-9
19-4-20	Komaleswararnpet Temple Management proposals. To the Board. The temple originally belonged to the mirasidars of Egmore. The payakaris have been trying to get the management into their own hands, with a view to disputing the right of the mirasidars. It is not necessary that Government should manage the affairs of the temple. It may be restored to the mirasidars, who may be obliged to enter into an agreement with the Collector to manage the affairs properly and to submit accounts to the Collector.	762-5
20-4-20	Town Pagoda Alienation of lands—Complaints by the Warden. To the Board. 1. The house and ground occupied by Sreenivasier one of the Brahmins attached to the temple was claimed by him as his own. He applied for a certificate, which was issued by the late Collector, Mr. Spottiswoode, in spite of the protests of the Warden Tombeappah. 2. Mr. Lane is of opinion that the people attached to the temples have no absolute right to the houses etc., occupied by them as servants of the temple. When they cease to perform their duties others will have to be appointed to whom such houses will have to be allotted. If long possession were to be pleaded in support of such claims all the temple properties will be alienated in a short time.	765

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2-5-20	Inland Customs Cloths—Loom chits—Issue of.	772-9
	1. In replying to the Board Mr. Lane, the acting Collector, says that the system of issuing permission chits to the weavers was introduced by Mr. Spottiswoode. It prevents weavers from disposing of their cloths without paying the duty upon them. It also guards them from the constant interference of the peons. According to this system the weaver takes out a chit from the amildar before weaving a piece of cloth. When completed he takes it with the cloth to the land custom house. 2. This system may be irregular and unauthorized by the regulations, but it has never been complained of and is of mutual advantage to Government and the weavers. It has been discontinued according to the orders of the Board.	
15-5-20	Suits against the Collector By Tanapa Chitty—Defence proposals.	785-7
	Tanapa Chitty is about to file a suit in the Supreme Court for putting him in possession of a piece of ground lying in Tondiarpettah for which he holds a certificate. His certificate was obtained on the strength of a bill of sale held by him from the Shanars of Tondiarpettah who had been declared by Mr. Place to be the rightful owners of Tondiarpettah. It has, however, been held that the Vellala mirasidars have a greater right over the village. In these circumstances the title held by Tomby Chitty from the Shanars may not be as strong as those held by the Suncuwar family for the same piece of land from the Vellala mirasidars at an earlier date. Mr. Lane requests the orders of the Board if he may defend the suit.	
5-6-20	Misconduct Salt Amin—Krishnasamy—Report.	806-84
	1. Mr. Lane forwards the evidence collected by him regarding the frauds committed by the ameena, at the Atteput salt pans. He has been regularly keeping back from the accounts part of the salt manufactured at the pans, and has been sending in false accounts of the quantity on hand and the quantity destroyed by the storm. 2. The extensive frauds now discovered could have been prevented if the pans were not placed under the control of a single native servant. Mr. Lane suggests that an "expert servant to be denominated salt superintendent" may be placed over the pans and be held directly responsible to the Collector. The Amildar should not interfere with him, but may send his own accounts of the manufacture and sale which may be checked with the accounts of the superintendent.	
6-6-20	Mungambakam Temple Lands exchange. To the Board.	824-6
	The Collector recommends that the lands exchanged recently by the warden of the temple on its behalf may be exempted from quit-rent. The inam lands for which they were exchanged has been duly assessed with quit-rent.	
12-6-20	Salt Scarcity report.	839
17-6-20	1. Mr. Lane reports that the storm has retarded the manufacture of salt at the several pans and that a scarcity is apprehended. He proposes that a sufficient quantity may be directed to be supplied by the Collector of Chingleput or the Collector of Nellore.	
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	2. In accordance with the orders of the Board he requests the Collector of Chingleput to arrange for a supply of 300 garce from his pans. He desires that it may be supplied from the pans near Pulicat in order that the cost of conveying it to Madras may be as low as possible.	
27-6-20	3. Mr. Lane reports that more salt will be required and that it may be ordered from Nellore and Cuddapah.	
	Pension	
22-6-20	Family of Kistnama Naik, late Kotwal. The acting Collector, Mr. Lane, recommends a petition received from the five little children of Kistnama Naik requesting a pension. They are at present subsisting on the bounty of a poor relation.	843
	St. Thomas Mosque	
26-7-20	Lamp oil allowance—Payment proposals. 1. An allowance of 8 annas per day was granted by Muhammad Ali for keeping a lamp in a mosque situated at St. Thomas. On the death of the original grantee the allowance was stopped on the strength of the orders issued by the Board directing the discontinuance of service pensions on the death of the original holders. 2. Mr. Lane, however, finds on enquiry that the mosque, though not of a superior order is still frequented by people. He, therefore, recommends that at least the allowance of 4 annas intended for lamp oil may be continued to the brother of the original grantee. The allowance may be made resumable at pleasure in order that it may be stopped if misappropriated.	844-5
	Satambak Jaghir	
23-6-20	Family pension—Distributive statement. Mr. Lane forwards a statement showing the amounts proposed to be paid by him to Hyder Hossain Ally Khan and the other members of the late jaghirdar's family.	847-53
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24-6-20	Remission to renters—Proposals. Mr. Lane recommends that the renters may be allowed a remission of about Pag. 1,800 being the loss suffered by them in the storm. Such remissions induce people to make very high offers.	854-5
	Betal Leaves	
3-7-20	Obstruction at chowkis—Report. Mr. Lane reports that the storm has been partly responsible for a reduced supply of this commodity. The brokers also take advantage of the situation to import less and sell at an exorbitant price. Above all the chowkidars in the districts from which it is imported detain it sometimes for two or three days. The merchants complain that the munafas rowanahs very often induce the chowkidars to delay the transit of betal rather than accelerate it. Mr. Lane suggests that they should be obliged to enter the time when betal arrives and when it leaves on the rowanahs in order that they may be forced to be prompt in passing it.	855

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18-7-20	Sale licences—Collector's remarks. Replying to the Board, Mr. Lane states that in the houses termed beer shops all kinds of liquors are sold. The establishment of shops for the exclusive sale of beer will render the task of the Collector and the Magistrates more difficult. What is usually sold as beer is a mixture of damaged beer and toddy. Those who wish to sell beer should be obliged to take out regular punch house licences at Pag. 3 per diam. It is likely that this will result in the total abolition of this pernicious drink.	879-80
	Town Temple	
21-7-20	Alienation of land—Srinivasian's representation.	891-8
28-7-20	Mr. Srinivasan returned the certificate issued to him as soon as he was told that the Board refused to recognise it. He is willing to remain in possession of the house, for which he offers a quit-rent, but the warden is eager to eject him. Mr. Lane considers that the warden's claims are unreasonable and that if he is to be ejected he should be paid the value of the improvements made by him under the bona fide impression that he had a right to the house.	902
	Salt	
2-8-20	Import from Tanjore—Increase of price proposed. Mr. Lane suggests that the present price of Rs. 70 per garce may be raised to Rs. 106 in order that the expenses of bringing it from Negapatam to Madras may be included in it.	900-1
	Mylapore and Nungambakam Tanks	
14-8-20	Breaches—Damage to houses and roads. To the Board. The Brodie Castle Road above and below Mr. Sackinnee's Chapel and about 200 yards of Mr. Yeldham's road were carried away by the Mylapore tank which burst on either side of Col. Blacker's garden. The Nungambakam Tank burst in two places, one near Mr. Sterling's garden and the other on the south side of Nungambakam. It damaged the Nungambakam road and Mr. Hill's Road.	911-3
	Chintadripet	
18-8-20	Land acquisition—Sepoy's huts—Protests from the people. Mr. Lane forwards a petition received from the people of Chintadripettah protesting against the proposed acquisition of lands which they have been holding ever since the pettah was formed.	915-6
	Dismissal	
18-8-20	Amildar of Egmore—Rayapillay—Re-investigation. As a result of the investigation Mr. Lane finds that the Amildar was dismissed for 'negligence' in not having discovered the embasslements made by two of his conicopias. In his opinion the discovery of such frauds in the middle of the collecting season is extremely difficult. As the man is very old he does not recommend his restoration to the post, but it is essential that this family should not be made to suffer for want of the pension to which he has been subscribing so long.	917-9
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26-8-19	Timber Depot on the Beach Vacated. From the Commissary General. "The piece of ground on the beach to the northward of the office of Messrs. Parry & Co., on which the Honourable Company's depot of timber was lately kept has now been vacated, the timber having been all removed into the late Marine yard."	73
17-7-19	Observatory Assistant House exempted from quit-rent. From the Board. The house erected at public expense for the assistant in the village of Nungambakkam is exempted from quit-rent.	68
10-7-19	Kistiah, V. Lands on the beach—Complaint of valuation. To the Collector. The Board forwards a petition presented to Government by Kistiah. He represents that after he had purchased some grounds on the North Beach he was forced to relinquish them in favour of other grounds on the 2nd line. By this forced exchange he has been deprived of the advantages enjoyed by the merchants on the North Beach. He requests that at least the difference of the cost of equal areas of lands in the North Line and 2nd line may be paid to him.	685-7
5-8-19	Tobacco Smuggling Draft regulation—Remarks of the Sudr Adawlut. From the Board. 1. The remarks of the Sudr Adawlut on the draft of the regulations proposed to be enacted for the prevention of smuggling in tobacco etc., are forwarded to the Collector. 2. The chief objection is that the draft proposes to empower the Judge of Chingleput and the Court of Circuit to take cognizance of certain breaches of the proposed revenue regulations, when committed within the limits of the Supreme Court. 3. Another objection lies in authorizing the Collector of Madras and the Collector of Chingleput to perform duties which they are not authorized to perform. Determining the guilt of a person is not within the province of the Collector of Madras. It is an act which is strictly judicial. He can therefore only produce the suspected person before a Judge.	711
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4. The draft is also defective in directing the recovery of fines imposed by the Board in the same manner as the recovery of arrears of rent, when it is still doubtful whether fines may be recovered in that manner. The draft also lacks in precision. The Sudr Adawlut suggests that it may be referred to the Company's law officers.
5. Upon this the Board referred the draft to the Advocate-General for his remarks. In the meanwhile it was proposed that the duty on tobacco should be reduced by half or abolished altogether.
6. In the light of this correspondence the Collector's proposal to raise the duty payable on tobacco to 4 fanams 40 cash per visa is not approved. Nor is he allowed to invite proposals for renting the collection of the duty upon these commodities before the rate of duty is finally settled.

Arrack

24-8-19

Strength from the Commissary General.

The arrack hitherto supplied to the Revenue Department was equal in strength to that supplied to the troops. If the Collector desires to have stronger liquor it will be supplied in future. At present the quality of the spirits available in the market varies greatly. Some barrels contain spirits equal to London proof while others are as weak as 30 per cent. below London proof. There will be no difficulty in providing arrack equal to Colombo proof, but it will cost more.

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Quit-rent

28-8-19

Arrears—Recovery—Procedure.

22-7-19

From the Board.

1. The subject of distraining and selling for arrears of quit-rent has been taken into consideration by the Board on several occasions. Though no definite orders have been received from Government, the Board is of opinion that the recovery of arrears of quit-rent within the limits of the Supreme Court should be made in accordance with the regulation providing for the recovery of arrears of revenue. It is, however, necessary that the Collector should carefully observe all the forms required by the regulations, lest the sale should later on be declared illegal by a court of law.
2. The Collector is directed to prepare a statement showing the arrears due on account of each year after 1802 when the office of the Collector of Madras was appointed.

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Naval Hospital

28-8-19

Conversion into Collector's cutcherry.

From the Board.

"No alteration can take place with regard to the general plan as decided on by Government." If the Collector and the Superintendent of Stationery can agree with respect to any modifications for their mutual convenience no objection will be made to their adoption.

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St. George's Church

28-8-19

Ground adjacent to—To be vacated.

From the Government.

The ground belonging to Government near St. George's Church is to be cleared of huts and to be rented out as a garden or coconut tops. The Church Committee will be instructed to place it under the Collector's charge for that purpose.

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From the Church Committee.

The ground is at present rented to a person named Kaddappan for Rs. 28 a year.

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20-8-19	Tobacco Duty Reduction of. To Government.	737-9
	The Board forwards to the Collector copy of its letter to Government regarding the effects of the reduction of the duty on tobacco to half the original rate. The quantity imported regularly shows a steady increase, even though the Collector reports that "smuggling continues at a most alarming rate." With regard to the practice of smuggling in armed gangs the Board requests that the proposed regulations may be enacted as early as possible. Meanwhile the Collector's establishment may be increased by 50 peons. Action may also be taken to deprive invalid and pensioned sepoys of their pensions whenever they may be discovered to be connected with the clandestine introduction of tobacco into Madras. Government sanctioned the proposals of the Board to employ 50 peons and directed the military authorities to keep strict watch over the sepoys and to punish them when detected in the act of smuggling. It is hoped that the reduction of duties aided by the increased vigilance of the Collector and the support of the proper military authorities would put a stop to the illicit traffic in tobacco.	
18-10-19	Tobacco Export to Malabar—Board's remarks. As there is a monopoly of tobacco in Malabar and Canara whereby it is permissible for a contractor only to import this article, the merchants who propose to ship that commodity to the West Coast should be informed that it will be confiscated as soon as it is landed. The question respecting a drawback should be decided by the Board of Trade. It is, however, the opinion of the Board that no drawback should be allowed.	777
25-10-19	Ganjam Rum Smuggling under false pretences—Board's remarks. 1. The Board is of the opinion that the high excise duty shall be levied once and once only on liquor imported by sea and that it shall be collected by the Collector of Sea Customs. The Collector of Madras is directed to find out whether this was done by the Collector of Sea Customs. 2. The latter replies that it is the duty of the Collector of Madras to realize the duty under section vii of Regulation I of 1818.	784
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28-10-19	Vepery Mission Lands Disputes. From the Select Committee. The Secretary to the Committee informs the Collector that he does not intend to continue the dispute regarding the lands occupied by certain Christians and that the Collector may issue grants for the lands of the mission but with this proviso that the grant for the disputed lands may specify the circumstances under which the Christians hold it.	789
8-11-19	Assignment of Land Grants and certificates—Issue—Procedure. To the Collector. 1. The Board has reason to think that the rules regarding grants and certificates have not been rightly understood. For lands outside Madras grants should be issued only to Europeans. If such lands are then transferred to natives the grants may be renewed. For lands within Madras grants should be issued only if their extent exceeds one cawni. Certificates should be issued for the others. 2. The Collector is directed to state the rules upon which grants and certificates are prepared in his office.	794-5

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15-11-19	Rudyard, Capt. St. Thomas' Mount—Application for land. The land upon which Capt. Rudyard has built his house and for which he now applies for a grant was originally purchased by Government from the meerasidars and samindars. The Board therefore recommended that he should pay the value of the land to Government before issuing a grant. The Military Board, however, pointed out that as early as 1808 Government had ordered that the buildings occupied by the officers of the artillery should be exempted from paying quit-rent. The Collector was therefore directed to issue a grant to Capt. Rudyard.	502-7
30-11-19	Yegattal Ammal Temple Annual festival—Performance. To the Collector. The Board forwards its correspondence with Government on the subject. On the recommendation of the Board, Government order that the Collector of Madras should not permit the annual festival until both the right hand and left hand castes shall have given security to the Superintendent of Police for the maintenance of peace and order during the festival.	811-3
2-12-19	Quit-rent Uniformity—Remarks of the Court of Directors.	816
6-12-19	Satambank and Poondy Jaghir Pension to family—Distribution of. Several members of the family complained to Government that Hyder Ally Khan was not maintaining them out of the pension granted in his name. Government directed the Board to distribute the pension among the several claimants. Upon this the Collector was ordered to prepare a statement showing the amount which each should receive. Hyder Ally Khan may be allowed half of the pension as head of the family.	820-4
20-12-19	H.H. the Nawab of the Carnatic Houses and gardens—Exemption from quit-rent. The Board forwards to the Collector copy of a letter from Government containing a list of the houses and gardens said to belong to the Nawab or his family. No quit-rent should be demanded on these for the present, but the Collector should report the amount due in arrears and annually by the Nawab on account of houses and gardens claimed by him.	833-44

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2-3-20	Customs Duty Tea imported by land—Exemption—Board's orders. The Collector is ordered to release the consignment of tea detained by him because there is no authority to levy a duty upon it solely because a duty is levied upon it when imported by sea. The regulations for the levy of inland and of sea customs being distinct a tariff prepared under one should not be considered to have any reference to the other.	72-3
13-3-20	Ganjam Rum Smuggling as American rum—Board's orders. The Collector is directed to levy double duty on the quantity applied for as American rum and single duty upon the remaining quantity sold by him. The quantity now in the custody of the Collector may be returned to Mr. Weigle-mayer who should be informed that he should not sell it by quantities less than 5 leaguers at a time.	85-7
13-3-20	Komaleswaranpet Temple Lands—Rights of the Egmore mirasidars. The Board considers that the Payacaris are entitled to hold the temple only under certain conditions on the breach of which they are liable to be expelled. If certificates are to be issued to the lands they should be issued in the names of the mirasidars, but as it is, the right of either party is secured by this cowl.	87
27-3-20	Customs Duty Cloths—Loom chit—Remarks of the Board. The Collector should state how long the practice of issuing permission chits to weavers has been in existence, and its particular advantages. It should be prohibited immediately as it is irregular. So long as the cloths are in the possession of the weavers they cannot be seized. It is only when they change hands or become articles of trade that they are liable to be taxed.	95-7
30-3-20	Dismissal Collector's peons—Appeal—From the Board. The Collector is directed to report on several petitions presented by the peons dismissed by Mr. Spottiswoode. They allege that the Collector's wife was very harsh and that she had them dismissed for trivial delays and unavoidable circumstances.	97-103
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8-5-20	Old Land Custom House Improvements to. From Maj. D. Havilland, Civil Architect. The buildings of the old Custom House and Choultry should be built up on the street side to prevent access from that quarter. The bordering street leading through Periamet should be widened as far as the Mussalman burying ground.	135-6
15-5-20	Customs Duty Articles of foreign trade—Export duty—Revision of. (See 990/343-71.)	138-50
15-6-20	Salt Scarcity—Supply from Chingleput—Orders of the Board. 1. The Collector is authorized to communicate with the Collector of Chingleput regarding the supply of salt required to meet the demands of Madras.	178
17-6-21	2. The Collector of Chingleput states that the manufacture of his district is inadequate for the purpose and suggests that Sriharicottah, which is 60 miles from Madras, may be able to supply the deficiency.	181
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8-7-20	Customs Clothes—Loom chits—Issue—Legality. The Board is of opinion that the system of issuing chits to weavers for weaving cloths is contrary to the regulations and liable to be abused by the native servants to whom the chits have to be entrusted. Cloths become liable to be taxed only when they become merchandise. Earlier interference of the Collector is unlawful. If a weaver desires such a chit it may be issued, but to seize all cloths unaccompanied by such chit is extremely irregular. The system must be put a stop to immediately.	222-24

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6-7-20	Komaleswaranpet Temple Maniyam land—Disputes. From the Board. On the recommendation of the Board, Government direct that the Collector should refund the fees received by him from the payacaris for the certificates issued to them. These certificates should be cancelled because the real and absolute owners of these lands are the mirasidars of Egmore. The payacaris are holding the lands under the condition of removing their houses etc., when required by the mirasidars.	229-32
13-7-20	Beer Sale licences—Proposals. From the Board. The Collector is directed to report upon a proposal made by the Superintendent of Police to restrict the sale of beer to licensed vendors. At present those who sell it do not come under the abkari regulations and therefore openly encourage drunkenness and the consequent vices.	243-6
13-7-20	Irrigation Repairs Tanks—Orders of Government. The Road Committee observed that the tanks in the neighbourhood of Madras were in a state of ruin. Government thereupon referred the matter to the Board desiring that those which were not absolutely necessary may be abandoned, but that those which were essential may be permanently repaired, in order that the damage done by them every year may be avoided.	246
14-7-20	Market Place Renting proposals. From Government. Such part of the market place as may not be required for public purposes may be rented out boutiques. A part of the market place is to be converted into a "watchhouse for disorderly Europeans."	253
4-8-20	———From the Superintendent of Police. He forwards a copy of the rules to be observed in letting the boutiques.	238-4
27-7-20	Dismissal Amildar of Egmore, Saminada Raya Pillay—Appeal. From the Board. 1. Mr. Lane, the acting Collector, is directed to report upon a petition received from Saminada Raya, in which he states that he had rendered great help to Mr. Ellis in writing his book on the mirasi rights and that after nearly 15 years of diligent service Mr. Spottiswoode, the late Collector, dismissed him in order to give his post to one of his own dependants.	267-77
21-8-20	2. The Board considers him guiltless and directs that he may be re-employed.	322
7-8-20	Town Pagoda Alienation of land disputes—Orders of the Board. In reply to Mr. Lane's letter recommending that Sreenivasan may either be allowed to remain in the house paying quit-rent to the temple or that he may be paid the value of the improvements made by him, the Board states that only the temple authorities have the power of allowing him to continue in the house paying quit-rent. If they do not permit him to occupy it any longer the Collector may pay the value of the improvement to Sreenivasan.	295-302

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9-8-20	Poligar Fees Levy. From the Board. The Collector is directed to report the nature of the tax known as poligar fees which is said to be levied from the inhabitants of the Black Town. The Justices observe that this should be abolished because people are paying assessment tax for their houses.	303
7-8-20	Salt Scarcity—Import from Tanjore—Increase of price. From the Board. The Board does not approve the proposal to raise the price of salt above Rs. 70. The charges incurred in transporting it from Tanjore should be borne by Government.	305
24-8-20	Unloading at Ennore. The Collector is authorized to unload the boats arriving from Tanjore at Ennore and to convey the salt from thence to Madras by the canal.	327
2-8-20	Dismissal Surveyor Mr. J. A. Johnson. 1. The Board forwards a letter received from the Chief Engineer in which he complains that the Collector has offered one of his surveyors a post on Pag. 35 without his knowledge. The Board considers that it was objectionable and irregular on the part of the Collector to have tried to obtain the services of a person serving in another department without the consent of his superior. 2. As for Mr. Johnson, the late surveyor, his long service entitles him to a pension from Government. If the Collector is finally determined to dismiss him, he should consider whether it will not be sufficient to procure in his stead the services of a draftsman on Pag. 15 or 20 per month.	334-46
4-9-20	3. The Board does not object to such transfers if the written consent of the officer is obtained.	372
4-9-20	Tobacco Regulation III of 1820. From the Board. 1. The Board forwards copy of its letter to the Collector of Chingleput. The latter encloses a copy of the regulation recently enacted by Government. 2. The regulation declares that no person shall keep more than 5 viss of tobacco within 20 miles of the limits of the Madras mettus, except under a licence from the Collector of Chingleput. A larger quantity may be passed through this tract if it is accompanied by a rowannah. Such rowannahs shall specify the period of transit. Every person who receives a licence from the Collector of Chingleput shall deposit a sum equal to 10 times the value of the tobacco permitted to be stored by him and shall bind himself to forfeit it in the event of his breaking the regulations or conniving at the smuggling of tobacco into Madras. Persons who may have tobacco in their possession at the time of this enactment shall deposit sufficient security for the stock on hand, failing which the Collector of Chingleput will take charge of such tobacco. 3. The Board directs the Collector to take the precautionary measures directed by the regulations. He should see that nobody is permitted to keep a larger quantity than is required for the consumption of the place where he resides. The form of the agreement to be entered into by the vendors should be submitted to the Board for approval.	365-72

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7-9-20	Embezzlement Salt servants. 1. The Collector reported that the salt servants had calculated the Tanjore parai at 3 mercals whereas he found it actually to contain $3\frac{1}{2}$ mercals. 2. The Board observes that the total quantity accounted for showed an increase over what it would have been if strictly calculated at 3 mercals. The excess shown by them proves that the various modes of measurement and wastage account for the small deficiency noticed by the Collector. It is likely that when he measured the parai the salt was pressed down and heaped more or less. 3. In these circumstances the Board does not approve the dismissal of the servants. The Collector is directed to submit a more detailed report.	380-4
11-9-20	Jaghir Satambauk and Poondy—Family pension—Distribution. (See 993/13.)	395-7
11-9-20	Brick-kilns Licence for manufacture. From the Board. The Board referred the letter received from the Collector upon this subject. The taking out of a police licence was enforced for the first time in 1804 by a regulation which is now found never to have been registered in the Supreme Court or incorporated into the police regulations. As several people have refused to take out licences it is for consideration whether this regulation should be published regularly. It is desirable that the setting up of lime-kilns etc. in the neighbourhood of popular places should not be permitted.	398-400
18-9-20	Macdonald, Maj. J. Garden on the Adyar—Quit-rent. (See 992/56.)	416-7
25-9-20	From Maj. Macdonald. He thinks that his garden is within the estate of the samindar and that no quit-rent has hitherto been paid upon it to anybody except the samindar. Mr. Sherson from whom he purchased the garden states the same. ———From Mr. Taylor, the Revenue Surveyor. Maj. Macdonald does not permit him to survey the ground claimed by the mirasidars of Mylapore.	442 443
18-9-20	Smuggling Cloths—Remarks of the Board. (See 993/19, 22.)	418-22
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21-9-20	Embezzlement Salt. The Board directs the Collector to re-entertain the persons suspended by him because their guilt is not established. The Collector himself has reported that the principal native servant has a long period of faithful and honest service to his credit.	435-7
27-9-20	Vayalur Village Jamabandi report for f. 1229. From the Head Assistant Collector. Mr. Viveash reports the result of the settlement of the village for f. 1229. The total revenue shows a decrease of more than Pag. 300. This was caused by a scarcity of rain in	453-6

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	the beginning and storms later on. The settlement was made with the mirasidars for a money payment. The mirasidars in their turn settled with the subordinate ryots for a similar payment to them. The assessment is paid in four instalments. The assessment on punjah lands was based upon the average produce and average price of the last 7 years. The people are willing to settle with Government for any number of years. Mr. Viveash suggests a period of 10 years. The mirasidar is able to recover the amount due by the subordinate cultivators by the aid of the village munsiff who is empowered to decide suits to the extent of Rs. 10. When the mirasidar enters into agreements for larger sums of money the Collector may be authorised to issue warrants of distraint on the application of the mirasidar.	
28-9-20	Ospuchin Church Alienation of lands—Complaint. From the Board. (See 990.)	457-61
30-9-20	Embezzlement Conicoplis of Egmore. 1. Mr. Lane collected all the bills for quit-rent and suspended collections until the result of the investigation should be known. Two of the conicoplies had appropriated large sums to their own private uses. These sums were reimbursed, but the parties were immediately suspended. 2. The old Amildar Royapillai appears to have connived with the conicoplis in misappropriating public funds. The present Amildar Andia Pillay is very negligent and has never compared the bills with the collections. He was in the habit of giving the keys of the box containing the bills to his peons and conicoplies. 3. Mr. Lane forwards the statements obtained by him from the peshcar and the chief conicoply named Dasapillay. 4. Dasapillay is ordered to be dismissed. Royapillay who is now a conicoply should be warned.	466-76
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2-10-20	Customs Cloths—Loom chits—Issue—Board's remarks. If the Collector thinks that the discontinuance of the system of issuing chits to weavers will lead to a loss of revenue he should make proposals in the usual form to amend the existing regulations in such a manner as to make the system regular.	481-2
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23-10-20	Customs Cloths—Loom chits—Further remarks of the Board. (See 993/40.)	512-23
23-10-20	Yeomiahs Payment during pilgrimage—Orders of Government. In connection with a reference made by the Collector, Government state that the object of the yeomiahs will be defeated if the persons to whom they are granted are not allowed to go on pilgrimages or to be absent from the station where the yeomiahs are payable, without the temporary forfeiture of such yeomiahs. When a person goes on a pilgrimage he may be allowed to authorise somebody to receive his yeomiah for not more than 7 years. If he dies in the meanwhile it will, of course, be stopped.	519-26
23-10-20	Poligar Fees Abolition. (See 993/41.)	525-7
24-10-20	St. Thomé Boundary of the village. From the Collector of Chingleput. The villages of Oroor and Cottoor form part of the Pullecaurney Zamindari. "There are two gardens, one belonging to the Nawab and the other to Col. Branton situated to the south of the Adyar which are considered as part of St. Thomé whence it follows that the river is not the boundary." The real boundary seems to be "a salt creek which joins the sea south of the Adyar."	530
26-10-20	Quit-rent Arrears—Distraint and sale of lands. The Board does not feel sure that it is lawful to sell the lands for the purpose of recovering arrears of quit-rent. The Collector is, therefore, directed to take the advice of the Company's law officers upon this point.	530-1
26-10-20 7-12-20	Customs Duty Cloths torn into two—Instructions. From the Board. The Collector is directed to report upon a petition presented by several merchants in which they complain that a new practice of coupling pieces of cloth has been established at the Land Custom House. They represent that this is done with a view to putting a valuation of more than 20 pagodas per corga upon their cloths and thus subject them to a duty of 10 per cent. instead of 8 per cent. The Board considers that this is irregular.	531-7 617-20
6-11-20	Smuggling Mr. Ratler's handkerchief—Final orders of the Board. (See 993/45.)	555-3
9-11-20	Tobacco Duty Reduction—Opinion of Government. The Board forwards copy of its correspondence with Government on this subject. The Collector's proposal to raise the duty on tobacco to its former rate is not recommended by the Board because the reduction of duty to half the old rate has put a stop to smuggling and raised the collections almost to the original state. Government, however, consider that Mr. Spottiswoode's opinion that the duty had been reduced lower than was necessary, should be taken into serious consideration.	560-5

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30-11-20	Bulwark along the Beach Construction. From the Superintending Engineer. He is ordered to "carry on the bulwark along the beach from the Sea Custom House northward to Olive's Battery." A maistri may be sent to point out the limits of private property on the beach.	578-
15-11-20	Triplicane Temple Police peons—Charges. From the Superintendent of Police. The Superintendent of Police says that owing to the reduction in the number of police peons it is not possible to allot four for the exclusive use of the temple, unless the charges of maintaining them are borne by the temple authorities.	578-4
21-11-20	Customs Duty Cloths torn into two—Levy—Instructions. (See 993/52.)	580-1
13-11-20 4-12-20	Official Dispute Land in Nyniappa Naik street—Orders of Government. 1. The Board submitted for the orders of Government a dispute in which the Superintending Engineer and the Collector, each laid claim to a piece of land situated in Nyniappa Naik street. As the dispute was between the revenue and the military departments the Board suggested that it should be settled by arbitration. 2. Government, however, opined that the case was purely of a revenue nature and that it should be settled in the "same manner as if any private individual instead of the Superintending Engineer claimed a right to occupy the ground in question."	581-4 618
23-11-20 30-11-20	Customs Duty Embroidered cloths—Remarks of the Board. (See 993/54, 60.)	596 605
4-12-20	Jaghir Sautambauk and Pundi—Pension distribution—Complaints. The Board forwards a petition received from Moortaja Khan in which he states that the Collector has allotted only Rs. 25 for his share of the pension while his cousins are paid Rs. 50 per month.	610
4-12-20	Transfer of Property Personal property—Mortgage—Registration—Orders. (See 993/61.)	611-3
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21-12-20	Fishermen's Huts Quit-rent—Exemption—Orders. (See 993/69.)	643-6
23-12-20	Salt Storage Prevention of fraud—Proposals. The Board approves the proposal of the Collector to construct a ditch round the platforms, and to establish 2 watchmen's huts, one at the gateway and the other at the point where the water from the canal flows into the ditch. It is not clear how it is possible to prevent persons from entering the ditch in boats at night from the canal.	653-65

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Esplanade

27-10-1812 Formation—Committee appointed.

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From the Secretary to Government to the Committee.

At the instance of the Military Board, Government resolved to form an esplanade in front of the west and north faces of the Black Town. They therefore appoint a committee consisting of the Chief Engineer, Collector of Madras and Superintending Engineer to estimate the probable expense.

18-1-18

—Estimate.

21-4

To Government.

The Committee submits an estimate of the valuation of the ground and buildings over the site for St. Pag. 95,733. Besides this, the Committee estimates the cost of clearing the ground at St. Pag. 22,937. Thus the total cost comes to St. Pag. 1,18,670.

31-12-14

—Progress report.

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28-1-17

To Government.

The Committee reports the purchases they have made so far and adds that various petty obstacles have retarded the purchase of the remaining ground required for the military works on the western and northern faces of the Black Town.

30-4-18

—Objections—Enquiry into.

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Government ask the Committee to ascertain and report, the nature, extent and validity of the several objections, so that measures may be taken to remove them immediately.

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11-6-18	Construction proposed—Purchase of sites. From the Government to the Committee. Government desired to erect barracks for the native corps, on a piece of ground which stands between the Pantheon Road and Poonamalle river and partly in the immediate vicinity of the Naval Hospital. They ask the Committee to obtain plans and records connected with the measure from the Superintending Engineer, to inspect and to report the lowest price at which they can be purchased.	91-3
25-6-18	Valuation of sites. To Government. The Committee inspected the sites and made elaborate enquiries with the owners in regard to valuation. It also forwards the demands made by the owners for their sites. The value of the sites in question according to the owners comes to St. Pag. 56,025. But the Committee reports that a value of St. Pag. 49,000 is reasonable and the demands made by the owners are very exorbitant.	101-4
2-7-18	From Government. Government agrees with the Committee in its opinion, that the price demanded is unreasonable and ask the Committee to ascertain and report the lowest terms on which these persons will consent to part with their property.	121-3
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20-7-18	The Committee again entered into correspondence with all the owners and informs Government that they have consented to an aggregate reduction of St. Pag. 4,125. The Committee forwards the replies received from the owners to this effect.	133-44
30-7-18	To the Committee. Government ask the Committee to inform the proprietors that the sites are not now required for the proposed barracks. (Enclosures.)	145-6
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17-8-18	Native Barracks. From Mr. J. Waddel to the Esplanade Committee. He offers his house and ground at Egmore for Pag. 80 a ground.	105
18-8-18	From Mr. William Hart. He demands Pag. 12,000 for the garden which he occupies "adjoining the Pantheon."	109-10
18-8-18	From Mr. Fraser. He is willing to sell his ground in the village of Egmore at the rate of Pag. 35 a ground.	113-4
20-8-18	From Singana Chetti and Col. Norris. They demand Pag. 15,500 for their ground. These offers being too high to be accepted, the Government relinquish the idea of purchasing their lands.	117-6
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	Esplanade	
23-8-18	Formation—Purchase of sites. From Government. 1. Government direct the Committee to proceed to occupy the whole extent of ground required for the purpose and state that the amount required, viz., Pag. 24,921 for its purchase will be placed at the credit of the Committee in the bank. 2. Government also direct that the Company's solicitor should be consulted in drawing up conveyance deeds and that they should be registered in the office of the Collector.	173-5

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20-9-12	Esplanade—cont. To Government. In obedience to the orders of Government the Committee submits a detailed statement of the extent and value of the several pieces of ground required for the formation of the esplanade, covertway and glacis on the northern side of the wall. The cost is estimated at Pag. 24,921. The Committee ask Government to place this amount at their disposal in the Bank, so that they may conduct negotiations with the proprietors without delay.	1-9
25-8-20 15-4-22	Quit-rent Black Town—Revision proposals. To the Board. 1. Quit-rent was assessed on the value of the house property at Madras at the rate of 10 fanams per 100 pagodas. This was done in 1801 and it continued till 1820. The Collector reports the necessity to revise the assessment, since the value of property had undergone a great change; while the assessment has not been altered suitably. There were also repeated petitions from the public to reduce the quit-rent. 2. The Collector therefore asks the orders of the Board to make a new valuation of the property and to alter the quit-rent in proportion to the new valuation, when certificates are presented to him for renewal. 3. The Board was not convinced of the necessity for revaluation in the first instance, but on subsequent explanations from the Collector, it considered it unobjectionable and passed the following orders:— “ When certificates for houses in Black Town are presented for renewal at the expiration of the term for which they were originally granted, new valuations should take place and the assessment in the new certificate should be fixed according to the actual value of the property at the time of renewal whether it be more or less, than the prior valuation. ”	211-48
5-8-28	Exemptions—Statement. Register of certain lands exempted from the payment of quit-rent.	247-68
11-1-21	Assignment of Land Existing practice—Collector's report. To the Board. The Collector recommends the continuance of the practice of issuing land grants to native applicants on an annual rent of 1½ pagodas per cawnee. He communicates the several authorities under which grants and certificates were then issued at Madras.	269-98
23-4-30	Shrotriya Register—Proposed. To the Board. 1. The Collector reports that the practice of issuing certificates for lands in shrotriya villages, was discontinued with reference to the Board's orders, dated 10th April 1828. 2. The Collector considers it necessary to keep a register of all land grants in the shrotriya villages of Chintadripet and Pudupakkam with a view to ascertaining which of the lands are exempt from the payment of Government demand and which are not. 3. He solicits instructions from the Board in the matter. He suggests also the expediency of registering all transfers of landed properties between individuals in the limits of Madras.	299-304

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18-3-22	Tiruvateswararnpet Temple	
11-3-22	Lands—Grant applied for. From Nattu Arumugam, Mirasidar of Pudupakkam. There are several petitions requesting that he may be given a certificate in the name of the idol named Velattammal for certain lands belonging to the temple.	1-9
22-1-22	Arrack Loss to Contractors. From Government. 1. In the matter of affording protection to the arrack-renters who were reported to be undergoing serious loss, Government state that "protection may be afforded either by raising the price of European spirits, or by lowering that of arrack." With regard to the former, Government desire to consult the law officers as to their right to impose any additional duty on European spirits and they fear that the latter might tend to encourage drunkenness. 2. Government therefore ask the Board to consider the position carefully in consultation with the law officers and the Collector and to report its opinion in the matter.	14-30
25-2-22	Town Pagoda Garden—Boundary dispute. From the Board. The Collector's report upon the claims of Venkatachalam and Thiagaroy to a piece of land occupied by them adjoining the garden of the temple is considered to be incomplete. He is ordered to furnish additional information.	38-40
30-3-22	———To the Board. It is impossible to define the limits of their lands because formerly it was the practice to base the quit-rent "upon the valuation of the house and not upon the land itself."	277
28-3-22	Chintadripet Shrotriyam village—Fixing a quit-rent. From the Board. 1. There were repeated petitions from some of the inhabitants of Chintadripettah, for a claim on the shrotrium village. So, under the orders of Government, G. Marull, the Superintendent of the Company's lands made investigations in 1787 and submitted his report as follows. 2. "In the year 1734, during the Government of Mr. Pitt, he proposed to the Board that the ground, on which the village of Chintadripettah was since erected, should be appropriated to the purposes of a weaving village, for the increase of the Company's investment. The persons soliciting this and who had engaged to build the town and settle the weavers therein were named Narrain and Chinnathamby." 3. A cowlie granting the ground proposed, was drawn out and executed. "In the several articles of this cowlie there is nothing that transfers or alienates the property of this ground from the Company as lords of the soil. It is a lease only specifying certain conditions to be performed by both parties." 4. Advances were made to Narrain and Chinnathamby for purposes of improving the manufacture which were afterwards adjusted from the goods manufactured by	43-56

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them. The weavers Narrain and Chinnathanbi, built several houses and also two temples at a cost of 40 to 50 thousand pagodas.

5. Nawab Subdar Ally Khan assigned the village of Kodambakam for the support of these temples. But it was taken possession of by the Company and the profits have not been accounted for.
6. In course of time, the supply of cloth from this village to the Company, became very trifling, but the cowle remained in force.
7. In regard to the claims now put forth by the petitioners, he states, that it appears to him highly just and equitable that the village should remain vested in the descendants of the original lessee Narrain on payment of quit-rent as an acknowledgment of the right of the Company to the soil. He adds also that a committee should be appointed to settle the existing accounts between the lessee and the Company.
8. The Board communicates these details to the Collector and asks him to select the person entitled to inherit the shrotrium and put him in possession of the property according to the terms of the cowle. The Board forwards also the original petition of Goda Rangamannaru for consideration.

Triplicane Temple

15-4-22

Unauthorized interference of the Collector.

64-76

From the Company's Solicitor to the Collector.

He forwards copy of a letter received from the Advocate-General containing his opinion of the suit brought against the Hon. L. G. K. Murray, Collector of Madras, by Annaswamy, the warden of the temple. The Advocate-General considers that the Collector's action in sealing up the jewels and re-instating persons who were dismissed for misconduct etc., cannot be justified. He has clearly exceeded the orders received by him from the Board.

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From the Company's Solicitor.

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He forwards a letter from Mr. Minchin, the attorney for Annaswami Pillai, complaining against the interference of the Collector's servants in the affairs of the temple.

17-4-22

From the Board.

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The Collector's action in enforcing the payment of the trifling tax, paid by the shop-keepers to the temple, by distraining their property is condemned by the Board.

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To the Board.

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The Collector reports the measures taken by him to re-instate the dismissed servants and to protect the temple funds.

Chintadripet

15-4-22

Restoration to Rungamannaroo Naik.

78

From the Board.

The Board asks the Collector to restore Chintadripettah shrotrium village to Rungamannaroo Naik the lawful shrotriumdar.

Transfer of Registry

2-11-08

Fees for.

88

From the Board.

The Board approves the Collector's proposals for the levy of fees for registering transfers of grants and certificates.

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25-4-22	Quit-rent	
	Recovery of arrears—Procedure. From the Board. The Board informs the Collector that in the matter of the collection of arrears under quit-rent, the right of Government to attach land or houses, exists, but asks the Collector to have recourse as far as possible to the distraint of personal properties of defaulters without resorting to land sales.	116-8
2-5-22	Triplicane Temple	
	Darmakartha's suit against Government. From the Board. 1. Annasami Pillai, Dharmakarta of Triplicane temple files a complaint in a civil court, against the Collector for having interfered with certain temple affairs. The Board obtained the orders of Government to defend the suit at public expense and communicates it to the Collector. 2. Government also desire to discontinue the allowance due to the temple. (The Collector's application to the Board for sanction on pp. 283-5.)	120-6
18-4-22 17-6-22	St. Andrew's Kirk	
	Grant of additional lands. From the Board. Forwards for report a letter addressed to the Government by the Kirk Session in which they represent that "the piece of ground enclosed with palisades and lying to the southward of St. Andrew's Church" is being misused by the natives and that the temple situated at the southern extremity of the ground "is rapidly appropriating a great proportion of the ground" for its own purposes. They request that the ground may be assigned to the church for constructing a building "of the nature of a school house on the principal of Scottish schools as well as a house or manse for the Minister."	128-33 138-42
5-8-22	From the Board.	
	The Collector is authorized to purchase the ground for Rs. 2,406. The amount will be paid from the funds of the lottery.	162-4
8-8-22	From the Board.	
	The money is not to be paid to the inhabitants of Chintadri-pettah until further orders.	166
2-9-22	From the Board.	
	1. The ground may be purchased under the following conditions. The purchase will not include the temple nor the ground attached to it. All the inhabitants will be allowed access to the tank. Those who have planted the trees near the tank may take care of them and gather their produce. But it must be understood that the tank and garden are the property of Government to be disposed of as they like. 2. The remaining portion of the ground will be delivered to the Kirk if they are prepared to receive it.	172-6
30-9-22	From the Rev. John Allan.	
	He states that the elders are ready to take charge of the ground.	181-2
2-10-22	From the elders.	
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16-7-22	Quit-rent	
	Recovery—Government's right of. 1. The Collector asked the Company's Solicitor to inform him, whether he can distrain the property of tenant for the recovery of arrears of quit-rent. The Company's Solicitor in consultation with the Advocate-General, asks for a copy of the grant and the regulation relating to it.	144-56

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2. The Advocate-General, after carefully going through all the rules relating to the grant, states that the right of Government is entirely not free from doubt and that it is not desirable to allow the matter to be decided by the Supreme Court at this stage. He gives in detail, the several defects that exist in the grant.		
Royapetta Amman Koil		
2-9-22	Site exempt from quit-rent. From the Board.	168-9
The Board informs the Collector that the ground to the right of the Amman Koil at Royapettah is exempt from the payment of quit-rent, and that it need not be collected hereafter. The Board also asks the Collector to refund all the amount previously collected to the koil dharmakartha.		
Quit-rent		
23-9-22	Chargeable on recent choultries. From the Board.	178-80
The Board refuses to exempt the lands attached to choultries of recent formation from payment of quit-rent.		
Mahmud Abdullah		
22-8-22	Adawlat Darogha at Arcot—Pension to the family. From the Board.	201-10
A pension of Pag. 5 a month is to be paid to the family by the Collector of Madras because the members of it live there.		
Chintadripet Shrotriyam		
10-4-22	Claims of Rangamannaru. To the Board.	288-9
The Collector forwards a report made by his Amildar and recommends that Rangamannaru, the grandson of Mangapathi Naik, may be allowed to succeed to the shrotriyam. It is also the opinion of the Collector that some check should be exercised over the expenditure of the funds which belong to the temple and of which the shrotriyamdar is the custodian.		
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Recovery of arrears—Right to distrain. To the Board.		293-306
1. In reply to the opinion of the Advocate-General in respect of the legality of distrains for the recovery of quit-rent, the Collector reports in detail the various circumstances in justification of the continuance of the measure. He strongly recommends that "the right of distraint should, by no means, be quietly surrendered, and that in general all those rights should continue to be exercised within the limits of the Supreme Court, which the usages of India have established in the provinces."		
25-7-22	2. The Collector forwards the records connected with the subject and states that he hesitates to make further distrains in the face of the legal opinion now given, and asks for further instructions in the matter.	345-52

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	Mylapore Temple	
2-5-22	Complaints against the wardens. To the Board. The Collector reports upon the petition of Bapu Naik and others regarding their right to the Nattawarship of the temple. The present Nattawars named Subaroya Mudali and Villiappa Mudali hold their office on well-established rights.	307-34
14-5-22	Overseer to be re-instated. To the Board. The Collector recommends that Sundara Mudali may be re-instated as overseer. He will place the temple and the tank in a state of repair.	334-9

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1-7-1822	Warden appointed. To the Advocate-General. 1. The Collector proposes to appoint Annasami Pillai as temple warden at Triplicane. He therefore forwards a draft agreement to be executed by him to the Advocate-General for his opinion. 2. Annasami Pillai was appointed and he renders accounts of the temple and reports the various affairs relating to it.	7-16 19-79
9-3-25	Government's right to appoint temple servants. To the Board. The Collector communicates the views of the Advocate-General, that on unqualified admission on the part of the dharmakarthas of the temple, he has been appointed by Government, under their own authority and not on account of any hereditary right to that office, and that he is liable to be removed from office, at the pleasure of Government, should be added to the agreement. The Collector adds that the right of appointing temple servants should be vested in Government to avoid future disputes.	81-8
17-3-25	Tasdick Allowances Payment requested. To the Collector of Chingleput. The Collector asks the Chingleput Collector to remit Rs. 3,752-15-9, being the amount of miera due on account of Madras pagodas for f. 1233.	99
...	Temple St. Thome—Dharmakarta's conduct. To the Board. 1. The Collector reports the neglect shown by the dharmakarta in conducting the temple festival and asks the Board's permission to conduct the festival with the help of an amuldar. 2. He further reports the opposition met with by him in celebrating the festival and solicits the Board's instructions in the matter. 3. He reports to the Board that he has directed Ayyavoo Mudaly to celebrate Mylapore festival.	101-3 120-30

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	4. The Board approves the arrangements made by the Collector for conducting the festival.	135-8
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	5. The Board permits the Collector to advance the necessary funds for the proper celebration of the festival and to recover the amount subsequently.	143-4
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	Mullick-ul-Nissa Begam	
17-3-25	Claim to lands on the beach. From Nawab Majid-ul-Daulah Bahadur. A piece of ground on which Messrs. Parry & Co. have erected their houses and shops is claimed on behalf of the Begam as having been presented to her by the Nawab Walaja.	139-41
	Puduppakkam Bazaar	
14-4-25	Ground rent—Collection of. To the Board. The Collector reports that the amount of ground rent due from Pudupakkam bazaar is due to the temple and that it may be ordered to be paid to the warden of the temple. He also adds that future collections of ground rent may be ordered to be made by the temple authorities.	169-72
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14-4-26	Before the Supreme Court—Instructions. From Government. In the matter of production of records before the Supreme Court, Government passed an order that officers who are asked to produce should consult the Advocate-General and should be guided by him in all such matters.	175-92
	Puduppakkam Bazaar	
28-4-25	Ground rent—Collection of. From the Board. The Board was not satisfied with the nature of the enquiry made and so asks the Collector to make personal enquiry into the matter and ascertain the truth.	205-8
	Collet Pettah Temple	
23-5-25	Warden replaced. (Cowle of 1725, copy). From Mr. Paulin, Attorney for the Warden. He represents that his client named Kumara Parthasarathi is the lawful warden of the temple being the great-grandson of Veeraraghava Brahmin, the original grantee and complains that the Collector of Chingleput has unjustly removed him from his office. He desires that the allowance usually paid to the temple by the Collector of Madras should be paid only to his client.	218-9 251
10-5-25	From the Collector of Chingleput.	223-5
17-5-25	1. He does not question the right of the warden, but as he suspects that some mismanagement of the funds has taken place he wishes to scrutinise the accounts. The warden has persistently refused to produce them. 2. The allowances may be paid to Chidambara Iyer who has been appointed ameenah.	279
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-6-25	Compensation for land—Mirasidar's claim. From Government to Esplanade Committee. 1. The mirasidars of Perambur and Nadambara claim through their attorney the payment of compensation for lands taken possession of by Government for the formation of the Esplanade. 2. Government forward the claim to the Black Town Esplanade Committee for report.	261-78
	Native Fund	
17-6-25	Rules. From the Secretary to the Native Pension Fund. The Secretary to the Native Pension Fund forwards the rules relating to the fund and asks the Collector to take effective measures to prevent over-payment of pensions.	281-6
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19-9-25	Claims to lands occupied by them. From the Esplanade Committee. The Committee answers the several points raised by the Advocate-General. There is no doubt that the chucklers had only the right of occupying the lands. The right to the soil is either with the Government or the mirasidars.	319-35
	Royapetta Temple	
...	Festival—Warden's neglect. From the Board. 1. The Collector reported the misconduct and neglect of Chinnathambi Naick, Dharmakarta of Royapettah pagoda, and proposed that one of the Company's servants, with the mirasidars, should conduct the festival. 2. The Board does not agree to this arrangement, but directs that the festival should be conducted by the dharmakarta as usual.	337-40
	Esplanade	
5-9-25	Formation—Compensation for land—Claims. To the Company's Solicitor. The inhabitants of Vepery claim payment of Pag. 1,422 towards the value of a piece of land taken by Government in 1804. Government in fact purchased it and paid compensation for the land to certain chucklers who were in possession of it at the time of purchase. The Board forwards the records connected with the subject for confidential enquiry.	347-51

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- 3-2-1826 **Encroachments—Suit in the Supreme Court—Defence arrangements.**
1. A suit was instituted in the Supreme Court against certain of the Collector's servants, for having removed an encroachment on a road in the vicinity of Tondiarpet. The native servants who removed the encroachment acted only under Collector's orders.

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4-9-26	———From the Board. The fishermen will be recommended to Government for exemption from quit-rent.	209-10
10-8-26	Triplicane Temple Mirasi servants—List approved. From the Board. 1. The Board forwards an approved list of mirasi servants who have got a right to serve in the temple. 2. There were also other claims from individuals, which were disputed by the dharmakarta. As regards these servants the Board asks the Collector to enquire and decide the claims and rights of these men by constituting a panchayat.	161-74
22-7-26	Tondiarpet Road Encroachments—Suit—Enquiry. To the Company's Solicitor. In the matter of the suit pending before the Supreme Court in regard to the removal of an encroachment at Tondiarpet, the Collector informs the solicitor that he has directed the witnesses to appear before him and to give him every information about the encroachment of the land under dispute.	183-94
26-7-26	Mylapore Temple Manager's appointment—Proposals. To the Board. The Collector submits proposals for the appointment of Ekambara Mudaly as manager to be in joint charge of the temple with the dharmakarta.	199-204
21-8-26	Buffalo Square Puduppakkam—Application for assignment. To the Board. 1. The mirassidar and shrotriumdar of Puddupakam jointly apply for the assignment and grant of a certificate in favour of the local Amman Temple. 2. The Collector reports in detail the nature and conditions of the shrotrium tenure, and their respective rights over the buffalo square and pagoda garden and solicits the orders of the Board in the matter.	215-35
...	Puduppakkam Shrotriyam Accounts.	255-68
4-12-26	Salt Manufacture Manali —Shrotriyamdar's rights. To Messrs. Murray and Hadow, Madras. The Board asks for a report about the rights of the shrotriumdar whether the mirassy and shrotrium rights, formerly held by Chinniah Mudaly, late shrotriumdar are now vested in the present shrotriumdar.	309-10

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3-11-26	Garden—Remission of quit-rent. To the Board. The Collector reports the various reasons and circumstances under which the revenue on the garden of Ghulam Hussain was remitted.	315-26
	Triplicane Temple	
11-12-26	Mirasi servants—Failure of panchayat. To the Board. The Collector reports that no one is willing to serve on the panchayat, and that he could not therefore decide the claims as ordered by the Board. He asks the Board to arrive at a conclusion with the records already available and decide the claims of the several individuals.	330-3

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	Mahtab Begam	
12-4-27	Lands dispute. From the Government Agent at Chepauk. Forwards a letter from H.H. the Naib-i-Mooktar regarding his claims to the lands which were in the possession of his Begam but which are now unjustly claimed by the occupants. The warden of the Tiruvatteeswaranpettah temple is said to have instigated them to refuse to pay quit-rent.	7-19
	Pugh, Mr.	
24-1-28	Garden on the Adyar—Grant. From the Board. The Collector should ascertain whether the Nawab has any claim to the garden on the south bank of the Adyar now occupied by Mr. Pugh. From the reports made by the Collector in 1820-21 it would appear that Col. Clapper had made it over to the Nawab.	23-4
12-4-28	———From the Government Agent. The Nawab is unable to ascertain whether the ground was made over to Mr. Maitland in 1804. The documents produced by Mr. Pugh may help him to ascertain the fact.	51-3
6-2-28	———To the Government Agent. Enquires whether the Nawab has any claim to the garden.	231-3
	Triplicane Temple	
28-2-28	Dharmakarta's report. To the Board. 1. Annasamy Pillai, Dharmakarta, expresses his willingness to abide by the conditions imposed by the Collector, viz., that he will hold his office during the pleasure of	27-42

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2. The Board forwards the report of the dharmakarta to the Collector and asks him to examine the accounts of the temple and to comply with his request. The Board adds that there should be no delay in paying the dues to temple servants and that sufficient money to meet one month's disbursement should always be kept at the disposal of the dharmakarta.		
21-4-28 Walajabad Cantonment Captain Murcott's application for land. From the Board.	1. Capt. Murcott applied for the grant of a plot of ground within Walajabad cantonment limits and the Register of Government Grants recommended it. 2. The Board again asks the Register of Government Grants to report in consultation with the Collector of Chingleput, whether public interest would likely to suffer from it.	67-9.
14-5-27 H.H. the Nabob Houses and gardens—Exemption from quit-rent. From the Board.	The Board communicates the orders of Government granting exemption from quit-rent, for the houses and gardens occupied by the Nabob, his wife and children.	71-9.
21-7-27 Munro, Sir Thomas Statue. From the Committee Secretary.	A meeting of the public of Madras was held on 21-7-1827 at the Banqueting Room and passed a resolution to erect a colossal statue, in memory of the late Sir Thomas Munro. A Committee was also formed to undertake the management of the business. The Committee forwards the resolution to the Collector and seeks his support in the matter.	109-12.
25-8-27 Esplanade Compensation for land. From the Esplanade Committee.	The Committee forwards the claim made by the mirasidars of Perambur and Nadambura for compensation for lands taken by Government to form the esplanade.	141-2.
6-9-27 Triplicane Temple Examination of accounts. From the Board.	The Board asks the Collector to examine the accounts of the temple and to submit a report in a week.	147-52.
4-9-27 H.H. the Nabob Houses and gardens—Exemption from quit-rent. From the Board.	1. H.H. the Nabob claims exemption of quit-rent for certain lands transferred by him to his mother. Government grant the exemption sought for. 2. The Board communicates the orders to the Government Agent at Chepauk.	155-61.

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20-12-27	Triplicane Temple Jewels. From the Board. The Board forwards a list of jewels belonging to the temple for verification by the Collector and asks him to report the extent to which security should be demanded from the dharmakarta for the due appropriation of temple funds.	172-5
7-8-28	———From the Solicitor. The Company's Solicitor forwards a list of papers relating to the temple.	199-204
4-1-28	Quit-rent Accounts—Committee's progress. To the Board. The Committee appointed to examine the quit-rent accounts of the Collector submits a report of the progress made by it.	205-20
12-4-28	Cochin Fort Application for land near—Mr. G. B. Taylor's application. To the Board. The Collector forwards to Board, the application of Mr. G. B. Taylor for a plot of ground near the fort of Cochin in Malabar district. He adds that the ground applied for is Government property.	250
5-5-27	Triplicane Temple Quit-rent—Exemptions claimed by Brahmins. To the Board. The Collector forwards a list of Brahmins, who are attached to Triplicane Temple and who claim exemption from payment of quit-rent. The Collector made detailed enquiry as to the right of each individual for exemption and gives his opinion in respect of each case for the Board's approval.	252-75
28-4-28	Mylapore Temple Accounts. To the Board. 1. The Board ordered that the accounts and receipts of the temple should be signed by the overseers as well as by the dharmakartas. 2. The dharmakartas object to this procedure and submit a representation for reconsideration of the Board's orders, through the Collector. 3. The Collector forwards the representation to the Board for orders.	276-84
11-9-27	Quit-rent Arrears—Levy of warrant fee. To the Board. 1. The Board authorizes the appointment of a distraining officer to collect the arrears of quit-rent. 2. To cover the expenses the Collector recommends the continuance of the warrant fee and states that it may be collected from those who are in default.	300-3

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Veeraperumal's Choultry		
26-9-27	Repair of. To the Board.	306-13
The Collector reports that the choultry is in urgent need of repair and that its repair is absolutely necessary in view of its importance and usefulness to the public. He further adds that the present proprietors are willing to undertake its repair, if the village of Pommanoor which was originally assigned in support of the choultry and which was subsequently resumed by the Collector, is given back to them for its support.		
Triplicane Temple		
28-9-27	Verification of accounts. To the Board.	316-28
The Collector submits his report on the result of the verification of temple accounts for the year 1826.		
Dr. Anderson's Garden		
10-11-27	Quit-rent claim for exemption. To G. Garrow, Esq.	355-8
1. The Collector informs Mr. G. Garrow, that the exemption of the late Dr. Anderson's gardens from payment of quit-rent, "was intended to remain in force only so long, as they were appropriated to botanical purposes and when this ceased to be the case, it was the intention both of the Government and the Court of Directors, that the levy of quit-rent should again attach to the premises in common with all other lands." 2. The Collector calls for the original title deeds, and the orders connected with the grant of exemption.		
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9-10-28	Examination of accounts. To the Board. The Collector forwards the report of the Committee to the Board.	363-78
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29-10-28	Claims of the Nawab's relations. To the Board.	379-88
The Collector gives his opinion on the subject of the dispute regarding certain lands in the village of Pudupakkam between the shrotriyamdar and a relation of H.H. the Nawab. The persons who occupy the land are bound to pay quit-rent to the temple. The claims of the Nawab's relation are inadmissible.		
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29-12-27	Inspection of jewels. To the Board.	392-7
1. The Collector reports that the Triplicane temple dharma-karta has refused to present the jewels etc., for verification by his subordinates in the absence of Board's orders. 2. The Collector explains the arrangements he has made to conduct the regular business of the temple and asks the Board to arrange for the inspection of temple accounts.		393-405

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26-9-29	Esplanade Payment of compensation—Committee's resolution. 1. The Committee decides to pay the claims of the mirasidars of Eroongoonam to the agents with the consent of its constituents, as instructed by the Advocate-General. ———To the Advocate-General. 2. The Committee reports that it will take measures to institute an enquiry in respect of the claims preferred by the mirasidars of Perambur and Nedumbara.	645-52

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20-2-32	3. The payment of this sum was objected to by one C. Subaramaiah through his attorney. The Board recommends the necessity to consult the Advocate-General in the matter.	17-26

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12-3-32	Sheik Mohideen Khan, Subadar Grant of land. From the Board. The lands purchased by the Government and granted to the Subedar were meant to be exempted from quit-rent. The Collector is directed to issue a rent-free grant to his heirs.	27-8
28-2-31	Registration of Land Revision of rules proposed. From the Board. 1. The Zilla Judge, Malabar, wrote to the Supreme Court as follows:— “Every kind of fraudulent litigation on account of lands and their various tenures now pervades most of the civil suits, and obstructs the execution of almost every decree. But by affording the utmost encouragement to the registry of deeds and by modifying clause second of section ix, Regulation XVII, 1802, so as to enable the munsiffs and other chief taluk authorities to forward to the court for registry, the deeds of all parties desirous of this precaution, the administration of justice would be accelerated and the security of property would be better established.” 2. This passage and Government's intention to modify the Regulation XVII of 1802, induce the Supreme Court to propose modifications to rules in regard to the registry of deeds contained in Regulation XVII of 1802. 3. The Board communicates a copy of the rules to the Collector and asks him to report on the advantages or otherwise of the changes proposed, and also to suggest alterations which he may consider desirable. 4. The Board also informs the Collector that Regulation XXVI of 1802 is applicable only in cases where lands are assessed in perpetuity, and asks him to report the necessity or otherwise to extend it to unsettled districts.	40-74
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25-4-31	To the Superintendent of Police. Brandy is sold illicitly in that quarter. If the police officers and the hospital guards are careful enough no arrack will be introduced into the hospital. The soldiers in the fort are not likely to resort to this shop when the shops in the Black Town are nearer.	678-5

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12-7-32	Triplicane Temple Interference with the Dharmakarta. From the Board. 1. Regarding the resignation of his office tendered by Srinivasa Pillai the present dharmakarta of the temple, the Board remarks that the Collector ought not to have interfered with his functions to such an extent as to force him to resign. The situation is permitted to be held by a wealthy and influential person and as Srinivasa Pillai had both these qualifications he should have been treated with greater regard.	239-40
2-8-32	—————From the Board. 2. The Board is satisfied with the Collector's explanation and directs him to accept Srinivasa Pillai's resignation.	267-8
13-6-31	Arrack Illicit sale at St. Thomas' Mount. From the Officer Commanding, St. Thomas' Mount. Reports that much illicit sale is going on in Saidapet and that it has been found impossible to prevent it. He therefore suggests the establishment of an arrack shop at Saidapet besides the two already located at St. Thomas' Mount.	243-6
8-7-31	Caste Disputes Passport to left hand caste priest. From the Government. 1. They forward a letter from the Collector of Madura representing that a passport has been issued by the Collector of Madras to the priest of the left hand caste, permitting him "to pass over the country with numerous symbols of authority which during the present irritable state of caste feeling may prove detrimental to the police security." 2. The Collector has no authority to issue such a passport and should therefore cancel those which he has issued.	287-92
19-4-31	Nilgiri District Assignment of land. From the Board. 1. Government received applications for grants of land in the Nilgiris district from several Europeans (officials and non-officials) through the Commanding Officer of the Nilgiris. 2. Government resolved to comply with all the applications and asks the Board to prepare grants, for delivery to the parties. The grants are made subject to the payment of the ordinary rate of quit-rent. 3. Government also ask the Board to prepare certificates of permission to occupy lands for delivery to the parties. These certificates are to be personal. 4. They sanction also advances to European officers to build houses on the Nilgiris. The advances are repayable with interest at 5 per cent in 6 instalments. 5. The Board communicates its orders to the Register of Grants and asks him to prepare certificates of licence and also a form of lease in consultation with the Advocate-General.	297-323

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21-7-31	Betel and Tobacco Restrictions on import of. From the Board. 1. The Board communicates its proceedings in regard to restrictions to be imposed on the growth of betel and the importation of tobacco. 2. According to this the cultivation of betel within the limits of Madras, without a proper licence from Collector is prohibited. 3. The importation of tobacco by land without permits within the limits of Madras is prohibited under a penalty not exceeding Rs. 300. The Collectors are permitted to grant permits to those who furnish proper security for the amount of the Government duties.	338-60
1-9-31	Land Custom House Construction of a well. From the Board. The Military Board has been directed to construct a well in the vicinity of the Land Custom House "with the machinery lately received from England." The proposal to try the experiment at the Seven Wells is dropped.	370-4
16-7-31	Arrack Sales Fort St. George. From the Board. 1. The Board recommends to Government that the canteen established within the fort may be transferred to the control of the Collector from military authority. Government refuse to accept the Board's recommendation. 2. The Board communicates the orders of Government to the Collector.	390-404
12-9-31	Betel and Tobacco H.H. the Nabob's consumption. 1. The Nabob complains that betel and tobacco, intended for his private use, are detained by the Collector for non-payment of duty, contrary to custom. 2. Government therefore ask the Board "to prevent the Collector from making any alteration in the established practice, as regards the supply of betel and tobacco for the use of the Nabob." 3. The Board communicates the orders to Collector.	439-43
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3-12-32	2. The Board asks the Collector to obtain an undertaking from the owners of the burial ground, that they would permit all deceased sepoys to be interred in the ground free of cost and adds that the grant of a rent-free certificate will then be recommended.	815-52

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8-11-32	Triplicane Temple Vadagalai and Tengalai disp. tes. From the Board. The Collector need not appoint any committee to decide the disputes between the two parties regarding the ceremonies of the temple. A dharmakarta may be appointed at once. It will then be his duty to perform the ceremonies according to the recognized and established rules. "It is highly desirable that the public servants of your (Collector's) department should not be permitted to interfere in these matters." (See page 829.)	463-4
14-11-31	Nilgiris District Assignment of land. From the Board. 1. The Board asks Government to issue instructions as to the mode of issuing certificates for lands on the Nilgiris and also as to the form of lease that should be adopted. 2. Government issue the following instructions:— (a) All applications in respect of lands on the Nilgiris at Ootacamund should be made to the Collector of Malabar, who will deal with it in consultation with the Commanding Officer. (b) The usual fee for licences and grants should be charged. (c) The ordinary rate of quit-rent at Rs. 5½ per cawny should be assessed uniformly on all lands and a stipulation for payment of quit-rent should be entered in the licence and also in the lease. (d) The leases should be given for an indefinite period. (e) It is enough, if the leases and grants are authenticated by the signature of the Register of Grants. 3. The Board communicates these orders to the Register of Government grants.	491-50
23-12-32	Rayapuram Chapel Title deeds. From the Superior of the Capuchin Church. Father Gregory Mary de Bene states, "The Chapel at Rayapuram is a branch of the Capuchin Mission at Madras, by which it is supported, assisted by some charitable persons, and that it has no exclusive funds of its own." The title deeds of the chapel are forwarded.	51
27-12-31	Inams Charitable and religious—List called for. From Government. Government ask the Collector to submit a statement of all allowances, whether in land or money granted by Government for the support of temples, chuttrams, charitable institutions and mosques in the district, with a view to investigating the validity of titles to such grants.	524
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29-3-31	Extra Revenue Amani management. To the Board. The Collector reports the result of the management of the betel, tobacco and abkari revenues of Madras under his control and states that there has been an increase in revenue by Rs. 65,019-4-2.	649-66
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22-8-33	Nilgiris District Assignment of land—Maj.-Genl. John Dalrymple's application. From the Board. 1. Maj.-Genl. John Dalrymple applies for a plot of land in the Nilgiris, which was not required for any public purpose, Government, after consulting the Military Board, sanction the grant. The extent of plot is about 25 caw. nies. 2. The Board communicates the orders to the Collector and asks him to prepare necessary certificates for the grant.	440-74
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12-10-33	Black Town Temples Mismanagement. From Mr. Teed, Solicitor for Muthukrishna Mudali. Muthukrishna Mudali's grandfather of the same name founded the temples of Chenna Mallikeswarar and Chennakesava Perumal and endowed them with lands and other funds. Government are also contributing Pag. 500 a year for their support. Muthukrishna Mudali and his son Manali Chinniah Mudali were one after the other filling the office of dharmakarta. After Chinniah Mudali's death, his son, the present claimant, was overlooked by Mr. Murray and Tambiappah was appointed to the management of the temples. The latter is now misappropriating the funds and mismanaging the affairs of the temples.	526-8
8-11-33	Banksalls on the Beach Shutting up by walls. From the Military Board. The banksalls on the beach are to be shut up "by permanent walls and barrier gates with small guard houses" provided the plan does not interfere with private rights and is agreeable to the parties concerned.	551
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25-4-33	Descendants' privileges. To the Board. It having been decided by Government in 1814 that the "claims of the Poligar of Madras had been already admitted to an extent beyond what justice required" his descendant Chengal Naick is not entitled to any further consideration.	712-5

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6-6-33	Canals Repairs to—Board's orders. To Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co. 1. Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co. were the agents for Cochrane's canal and the Catepilly canal of Madras. 2. The Collector invites the attention of the firm to the existing state of the canals and asks them to repair them immediately.	787-8
7-6-33	Road Construction To St. Thomé—Compensation for lands. To the Board. The Collector applies for sanction to pay Rs. 73-11-4 on account of the value of certain lands purchased for the formation of a new road to St. Thomé.	789-90
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30-8-33	Quit-rent Date of payment. To the Board. With a view to avoiding misapprehension as to the period at which quit-rent is payable on lands in Madras, the Collector proposed to publish a notification that quit-rents are payable on the 12th July of each year, for the fasli preceding, and that 5 days after that, the Collector will issue warrant of distraint for the recovery of the amount.	847-9
16-10-33	Vepery Burial Ground Acquisition of land—Proposals. To the Board. The Collector reports the valuation of the site selected for burial ground for the use of the inhabitants of Vepery and explains the terms under which it can be purchased from the owner.	873-90

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16-12-33	2. The Collector informs the mission authorities, that arrears due from them have been remitted, but Government have ordered that quit-rent should be charged at the usual rates in future. He adds that it will not however be charged, for lands that remain in an unproductive state.	934-5
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9-6-34	Transfer of Property Private lands—Collector's objection.	157-61
	From the Board. 1. Certain lands belonging to the Company were reported to be in the possession of one Kundapah Mudaly who proposed to transfer his right to others by sale. 2. The Collector objected to the transfer of the property and wanted to consult the law officers of Government in the matter. The Board supports the action of the Collector. 3. Government thereupon pass the following orders:— " The Governor in Council does not contemplate the institution of any proceedings at law for the recovery of the land in question, it therefore does not appear to be necessary to make a reference on the subject to the Company's law officers, it not being the intention of Government to interfere with the possession of the land there is no reason for the Collector to object to the transfer of it. " 4. The Board communicates the orders of Government to the Collector.	
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3-7-34	Quit-rent In Cantonments—Collection of arrears. From the Board. 1. The Board forwards to Government a schedule showing the grants that have been issued to individuals within military cantonments and the arrears of revenue due thereon. 2. Government direct the Board to arrange with the Collectors concerned for the immediate collection of arrears and for the regular collection of current revenue. The Board communicates these orders to Collector.	253-7
15-7-34	Madras Town Temple Dharmakarta's appointment—Proposal. From the Advocate-General. The Advocate-General informs the Collector that Muthukrishna Mudaly has filed his case in the Supreme Court and that the matter is proceeding. He adds, that he has taken up Muthukrishna Mudaly's cause, as it seems to him just and proper.	259-61
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6-8-34	Kesavan's Choultry Toddy shops in the vicinity—Objections. From the Superintendent of Police. The proposed shop in Mount Road near the choultry will prove a temptation for soldiers coming from St. Thomas' Mount. Instances of highway robbery have occurred very near this solitary spot.	301-2
6-8-34	Madras Club Toddy shop in the vicinity—Objections. From the Superintendent of Police. The opening of a toddy shop near the Buffalo Square at Pudurakkam is objectionable because it will be "close to a stand of palanquins where a great number of idle people always assemble but more particularly from its being within a few feet of the back gate of the Club House and consequently a great temptation to gentlemen's servants."	302-3
18-8-34	Arrack Distilleries Closing of. From the Board. 1. There were two distilleries one in Royapetta and the other in Tondiarpet. The Collector reports that efficient superintendence of these two was impossible as much fraud was being practised by the servants. He recommends the discontinuance of Royapetta distillery. The Board supports the recommendation of the Collector. 2. Government accordingly authorize the discontinuance of the distillery and ask the Collector to arrange for the sale of the premises in consultation with the Superintending Engineer.	311-9
1-9-34	Abkari Licence—Regulations. From the Board. 1. The Board communicates its proceedings, dated 1st September 1884, in regard to powers vested in the Collector and Superintendent of Police in the matter of issuing licences.	321-77

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2. It also communicates the opinion of the Advocate-General on the subject, stating that the existing statute "places the authority of licensing the sale of arrack and other spirituous liquors in two or more Justices of the Peace and that to vest that authority in any sole person would be in express contradiction to the terms of the statute." 3. The Board further discusses in detail the practice observed in Bombay and Calcutta and suggests the adoption of other remedial measures but not that of increasing the tax on European spirits.		
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9-9-34	Committee of Enquiry appointed. From the Board.	445-55
1. A committee, with Messrs. J. H. Crawford and W. H. Babington as members, was appointed to investigate and report upon the system in force for levying export, import and transit duties in the various provinces and also to suggest improvements to facilitate commercial operations. A third member from Bombay is to be added to the committee. 2. Government ask Mr. J. H. Crawford to commence the work as early as possible. They ask the Board to issue instructions to all Collectors to give every facility to the committee in the conduct of their investigations. 3. The Board communicates these orders to the Collector.		
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16-10-34	H.H. the Nabab's garden—Exemption from quit-rent. From the Board. The Board communicates the orders of Government granting exemption from quit-rent for Nabob's garden Raza Bagh.	477-81
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6-11-34	Sale of arrears—Possession disputed. From the Board.	499-509
1. Certain lands in Kilpauk were sold for the recovery of quit-rent by the Collector in 1820. They were purchased by Chinnappa Rawoother and Venkataram Chetty but the sites were not put in their possession nor did they claim possession for a long time. In 1832 the purchasers' legal heirs put in a petition for possession. This was objected to by one Chinnabasoovappah Chetty on the ground that the sites were mortgaged to him and that he was not aware of the Collector's sale in 1820. 2. The Collector, in consultation with the parties, recommends the cancellation of the sale and the return of the purchase money without interest. 3. Government did not approve of this arrangement and found that it was due to neglect on the part of the purchasers that the possession of the sites were not handed to them and that they are not entitled to demand the re-payment of the purchase money. 4. The Board communicates these orders to the Collector.		
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4-12-34	American Missionaries—Purchase of land. From the Collector of Madura.	535-40
Mr. William Todd and a few other American Missionaries apply for a permission certificate to purchase certain lands for their settlement. The Collector of Madura writes to the Register of Government Grants for information in regard to the rate of assessment to be charged for those lands and the nature of the agreement that should be executed by the missionaries.		
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	1. Government ask the opinion of the Supreme Court whether a "pledge of a movable property with an agreement that the pledger shall remain in possession of the property is good or valid?" The Supreme Court opines that according to Hindu law the mortgage of movable property without delivery of possession is valid if it takes place under an authenticated written deed. 2. The Board communicates these orders to the Collector.	
22-1-34	Town Temple Management. To the Board.	603-10
	On the death of Tambiappa Mudali, the late warden of the temple, the Collector appointed an ameen from his cutcherry to take charge of the office with a view to preventing embezzlement and to enquire fully into the claims of the several persons who have applied for the situation.	
5-2-34	Vepery Burial Ground Land acquisition for.	623-4
1-2-34	To the Chaplain at Vepery.	627
	A piece of ground comprising 3 cawnies has been purchased from Kalathiappa Mudali for the burial ground. It will be delivered up to the chaplain by the surveyor.	
13-2-34	Betel and Tobacco Revision of regulations. To the Board.	633-61
	The Collector submits his opinion on the draft regulations framed for the better management of the betel and tobacco revenue of Madras and suggests entering into an agreement with the owners of gardens for the payment of revenue, until the regulation framed is put into force.	
14-4-34	Madras Town Temple Appointment of Dharmakarta. To the Board.	689-93
	1. The Collector reports that Appa Rao Mudaly has refused to deliver the accounts and jewels belonging to the temple, and that he could not therefore enquire and report who is the person entitled to become dharmakarta. He adds that the grant due to the temple have been withheld and suggests the expediency of conducting the festival with the balances available, under the control and superintendence of a Company's servant.	
24-4-34	2. The Collector reports in detail on the claims of the several claimants for the place of dharmakarta. 3. He states that Muthukrishna Mudaly has a much better claim than Appa Rao Mudaly, if the right to hold the place is vested in the family itself. Otherwise, he states that the most respectable persons interested in the well-being of the temple should be invited to select and propose a fit person for the place. 4. In any case, the Collector urges the necessity to get an undertaking from the person nominated that he does not hold the place by virtue of any hereditary right and that he holds it under the pleasure of the Collector and the Board.	711-28
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	5. Appa Rao Mudali is lodged in jail under a warrant issued from the Supreme Court.	747

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16-5-34	Abkari and Customs Decrease in revenue—Causes reported. To the Board. The Collector explains the several reasons that led to the decrease in abkari and customs revenue of the district.	749-86
11-6-34	Manali Shrotriyam Successor to Tambiappa Mudali. To the Collector of Chingleput. Requests to know the name of the person who succeeded the late Tambiappa Mudali as shrotriyamdar and mirasidar of Manali. His son Appa Rao has been claiming compensation for discontinuing the manufacture of salt in that village.	799-800
25-6-34	Arrack Shops Conditions of sale reported. To the Board. 1. The Collector communicates the views of the Superintendent of Police in the matter of allowing only one entrance to each shop. The Superintendent strongly opposed to allowing more than one entrance to each shop and states that "if it is determined to indulge the owners in their desire for a second entrance and thereby encourage irregularities of more than one kind" he would enforce his powers under the regulation most strictly and impose heavy fines for every offence. 2. The Collector solicits the instructions of the Board, as he wishes to avoid a clash between himself and the Police.	801-4
2-7-34	Madras Town Temple Dharmakarta's appointment—Dispute—Advocate-General's opinion. To the Solicitor. The Collector forwards the records connected with the temple affairs and asks him to obtain the opinion of the Advocate-General in the matter.	807
7-7-34	Arrack Distilleries Royapetta distillery—Discontinuance proposed. To the Board. The Collector represents the difficulties that stand in the way of proper and efficient superintendence of the two distilleries in Madras, on account of which much fraud is being practised. With a view to preventing the commission of frauds and to improve the abkari revenue, the Collector recommends the discontinuance of the Royapetta distillery.	813-20
9-7-34	Kaiklar Pettah Triplicane—Land dispute. To the Board. A dispute arose in regard to the ownership of a portion of land in Kaiklar pettah, between H.H. the Nabob and the weavers. The Collector, Mr. A. Robertson, makes a detailed enquiry into the matter and forwards the entire records of enquiry to the Board with his report. He states that from the nature of the evidence brought forward, he is led to believe that both parties have got very strong reasons to claim ownership of the disputed land and that he cannot therefore decide the matter in favour of either party.	821-940

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19-8-34	Arrack Sales Frauds in measuring. To the Board. There were 4 types of measures used for the sale of arrack viz., full dram, $\frac{3}{4}$ dram, $\frac{1}{2}$ dram and $\frac{1}{4}$ dram. The shop- keepers used to cheat the ignorant by substituting $\frac{3}{4}$ c drams for full ones, the difference between the measu- being very inconsiderable and are not easily detectable. With a view to preventing such frauds, the Collector pro- poses the retention of only full and half dram measures and recommends the abolition of the other two measures.	13
23-9-34	Quit-rent On Abbas Ally Khan's compound. To the Board. The Collector explains the circumstances under which Abbas Ally Khan, the son of Majood-ud-daulah, is considered liable to pay quit-rent including old arrears for the com- pound attached to his residence.	21-5
14-10-34	Abkari Arrack and toddy shops—Credit of revenue. To the Collector of Chingleput. Informing him that 3 arrack shops and 3 toddy shops, licensed by him are located within the limits of Madras and ask- ing him to credit the revenue of the shops to the accounts of Madras Collectorate.	106-49 3
17-10-34	Tobacco Sample for sale. To the Board. 1. The Board forwarded two specimens of tobacco to ascer- tain whether they would find a market at Madras. 2. The Collector showed the specimens to the native mer- chants who said that the article does not possess suffi- cient pungency or flavour to obtain a ready market at Madras. 3. The Collector consulted some other English firms also in the matter and could not get their opinion on the sub- ject. He therefore reports the circumstances to the Board.	1059-63
7-11-34	Sudr and Foujdari Adawlat Buildings Nawab's claim to the land. To the Military Board. Enquires whether the title deeds of the land on which the buildings stand are in the office of the Military Board. The Collector is investigating the claim set up by the Nawab for this land.	1085-6
22-12-34	Supreme Court Compound—H.H. the Nabob's claim—Report. To the Board. H.H. the Nabob claims a portion of the site of the Supreme Court as belonging to him. The Collector forwards it to the Board for verification of the titles with reference to records available in the Board and Government offices.	1107-9

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12-1-35	Sudr and Foujdari Adawlat Buildings Nawab's claim to the land. From the Board. The Nawab's claim to a "piece of land which now forms part of the compound attached to the Court of Sudr Adawlat" is inadmissible.	13
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22-1-35	Sriperumbudur Temple Allowances. From the Board. 1. Forwards the orders passed in 1796 regarding the allowance paid to Venkata Rao as part of the charity of the temple.	27-49
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...	Government Land Nallaranga Pillai's occupation—Settlement of dispute. From the Board. 1. Certain lands belonging to Government were in the occupation of one Nallaranga Pillai. Government wanted to recover them and consulted the Advocate-General as to whether they could be recovered through court proceedings. The Advocate-General states that there is no hope of a favourable result, if the matter is allowed to go to court. 2. Government, on the recommendation of the Board, allow the occupant Nallaranga Pillai to retain the extent, said to have been purchased by his father subject to the payment of quit-rent and to relinquish a small portion which was found to be in excess. 3. The Board communicates these orders to Collector.	55-9
29-6-35	Arrack Sales Frauds in measuring. From Government. In the matter of reducing the measures for the sale of arrack from 4 to 2, Government, after consulting the Chief Magistrate and Superintendent of Police, approve the recommendations of the Collector and direct the Chief Magistrate and the Superintendent of Police to co-operate with the Collector for enforcing the rule.	61-5

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23-2-35 15-1-35	Cotgrave, Mrs. Grant for land in Vepery. From the Board. A fresh grant is ordered to be issued to Mrs. Cotgrave, the widow of Col. Cotgrave, for the land purchased from Genl. Collins. The old grant is supposed to have been lost along with the other effects that were on board the 'Earl of Eldon' which was lost at sea.	83-7
21-1-35	———To the Board. The letter to which the foregoing is a reply.	591-5
2-3-35	Chamier, Mr. H. Lands at Guindy.—Certificate. From the Board. A certificate is ordered to be issued for Mr. Chamier's house and garden situated within the estate of the Zamindar of Pallavaram at Guindy.	91-101
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12-3-35	Arrack Sales Frauds in measurement—Postponement of orders. From the Board. 1. In the matter of the reduction of the measures used for selling arrack, from 4 to 2, the renters raised objections and claimed compensations for the loss to which they asserted that they would be exposed if the rules are enforced. So the Board, at the instance of the Collector, recommend the postponement of effect of the orders until the settlement of the next fasli. 2. Government accordingly approve the measure proposed by the Board.	141-5
28-3-35	Shevaroy Hills Assignment of land—Mr. Cockburn's application. From the Board. Mr. M. D. Cockburn was the Collector of Salem. He applied for a grant of 95 cawnies of ground on the Shevaroy hills. The Government consider the extent to be too great to be appropriated by one individual, and as the place may become a general resort for invalids, ask the Collector to limit his application to a third or fourth of the extent now applied for.	201-4



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28-5-35	Arrack Sales Frauds in measurement. From the Board. 1. The orders of Government regarding the reduction in the number of measures from 4 to 2 were kept in abeyance owing to several objections raised by the renters. 2. The Collector again raises the question at the time when arrack and other shops are rented for a subsequent fasli. In consultation with the dealers, he suggests that the dealers may be allowed to use 3 measures instead of only two. The Board recommends to Government that the use of 3 measures may be allowed to the dealers from the commencement of the ensuing fasli, viz., whole dram, $\frac{1}{2}$ dram and $\frac{1}{4}$ dram and that the use of $\frac{1}{4}$ dram alone may be prohibited altogether. 3. Government approve the recommendation of the Board.	255-9
29-6-35	Abkari Renters Forms of cowle and muchilikas—Transmission. From the Board. The Board forwards specimen forms of cowle to be given to abkari renters and of muchilikas to be taken from them and the persons in charge of retail shops.	271-53
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27-7-35	Toddy Shops Relinquishment of licence—Fines abolition. From the Board. There was a rule to impose a fine on toddy shop-keepers, who relinquish their licence first and then apply to resume the sale. This practice was found to be oppressive in its operation. The Board therefore abolishes the rule on the recommendation of the Collector.	343-6
23-7-35	Triplicane Temple Dancing girl's house—Exemption from quit-rent. From the Clerk of Peace. One of the dancing girl attached to the Triplicane temple claims exemption from assessment for her house. The matter came for enquiry before the Justices in Sessions, when it was founded out that the house is in the occupation of a Mussalman who pays monthly rent. The Judges therefore refused to grant the exemption sought for.	379-400
7-9-35	Quit-rent Exemption—Mr. P. Cator's application. From the Board. 1. Mr. P. Cator, Administrator of the Estates of Mrs. String and Caytor, applied for the issue of a certificate of grant for lands belonging to him in Negapatam and also applied for the grant of exemption of quit-rent charges for the grant. 2. A grant was accordingly given which however limited the right to 99 years. He objects to this limitation and requests that the grant may be in perpetuity and that it should be extended to his heirs, executors, administrators free of all charges. 3. The Board recommends the issue of the grant in perpetuity and to allow it to be continued to his heirs and administrators etc., as desired by him, but does not recommend the exemption of quit-rent and other charges applied for by him. Government approve the recommendation of the Board.	409-16
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