

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Marine DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	449	Press Mis.
Dated	19. 10.	1857

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Fort Saint George, Marine Consultation, 20th October 1857.

No. 30. From W. E. UNDERWOOD, Esq., Collector of Sea Customs, Madras; to E. MALTBY, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 7th October 1857, No. 411.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to inform you with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation dated 5th October 1857, No. 853, that the Saltpetre therein referred to has arrived, and to transmit copy of a letter* from Ramasawmy Chetty, the Importer, who states that it is intended for Sale at Madras.

2. Saltpetre is imported at Madras ostensibly for Shipment to London or Liverpool. I beg to enclose a Statement† of Saltpetre exported last month. I further beg † Enclosures No. 2. to request, with reference to Section XII Act XXVIII, of 1857, that you will obtain the instructions of Government for the guidance of this Department relative to the Importation of Saltpetre.

3. The demand is increasing in Europe and America and as the Market in Calcutta has been nearly swept of Saltpetre; the demand in Madras for this commodity has increased, hence the Importation from Subordinate Ports of Madras. The rise in Price in Madras within the last 2 months is nearly one hundred per cent.

(Signed) W. E. UNDERWOOD,
Collector of Sea Customs.

From Messrs. B. RAMASAWMY CHETTY AND A. G. PARTHASARATHY IYAH; to the Collector of Sea Customs, Madras, dated 6th October 1857.

SIR,

I beg to inform your honor that 24 Bags of Saltpetre manifested per Dhoney, No. 821, from Ramiahpatam to my Consignment, which is intended only for sale at this place.

I therefore beg to request your honor will be pleased to order to pass the above Saltpetre. I pledge to keep a Register of the names to whom it is sold.

(Signed) బా. రామస్వామిశెట్టి.

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(True Copy.) (Signed) W. E. UNDERWOOD,
Collector of Sea Customs.

Saltpetre exported from Madras to Liverpool and London for September 1857.

Names of Exporters.	Name of Ship.	To Liverpool.	To London.	Bags.
Messrs. Line and Co.,	"Grasmere."	72,834 lb		387 Bags.
Do.	Do.	82,684 lb		430 do.
P. Yacambara Chetty.	"Lady Kinnaird."		40,728 lb	212 do.
Messrs. C. Shand and Co.,	Do.		59,525 lb	353 do.
"Line and Co.,	"Grasmere."	51,886 lb		267 do.

(Signed) W. E. UNDERWOOD,
Collector of Sea Customs.

SEA CUSTOM HOUSE, MADRAS,
7th October 1857.

No. 31. ORDER THEREON. No. 449; dated 19th October 1857.
Government are prearing a Notification that no Importation of Arms, Ammunition, Saltpetre or Sulphur will be permitted without a License being first obtained, and that applications for a License on these occasions are to be made to the Commissioner of Police. Meanwhile the Collector of Sea Customs is authorised to pass this Saltpetre, on B. Ramasawmy Chetty engaging to keep, for the information of Government, a Register of the parties to whom he disposes of it.
Exd. J. A. Wilson.

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To C. S. George, Esq.
19 October 1857.
Copy to the Collector of Sea Customs.

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