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5. No work was undertaken by the Salt Establishment, because there were no available funds, as reported by Colonel Winscom in his letters entered in the margin.

No. 103, dated 29th January 1866.
„ 120, „ 14th March „

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† On the 25th August 1866.

Submitted for the information of Government, with reference to paragraph 53, Government Order, dated 2nd October 1865, No. 2,379, Revenue Department.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
26th September 1866.

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CIVIL WORKS, No. 112.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 2nd Division.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division.
„ Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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