No. 5.—Caught now and then in small numbers; is like No. 4 in appearance, and has like poisonous fin-rays but not so bad as those of No. 4. Believed to be exclusively a fresh water fish.

No. 6.—The Sable, caught most abundantly of all as already described, and is the only fish caught with roe in it in any numbers.

(Signed) J. FRASER,
Collector.

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1. Submitted to Government in continuation of the Board's Proceedings, dated 28th January 1868, No. 656.

2. The Board adhere to their former recommendation, but they request Mr. Fraser to make such inquiries on the subject, when in England, as he conveniently can, and to obtain a good plan for a fish ladder, in case his anticipation as to the injury likely to be sustained by the fish under the system proposed by the Board should prove to be correct.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Copy to the Collector of the Godavery District.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

Reported to England
D/14th July. No 39 of 1868. Mis.

1868. Department.

Bd of Conservancy.

No. 765

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 4th March 1863.

No. 1,550.

Submitting to Government report of Collector of Godavery District on the fresh water fish caught below Godavery Anicut at Dowlaishweram, and requesting him to make inquiries when in England, as to the best mode of transferring Spawning fish from the anicut to the river, and to obtain a good plan for a fish ladder.

Rec. 1468. 27 May

No. 1,550.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 4th March 1868.

Read the following letter from J. FRASER, Esq., Collector of the Godavery District, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Kotipalli at Ramichendrapoor talook, 7th February 1868, No. 37:—

1. I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of Board's Proceedings, of 28th January 1868, No. 656, regarding the fisheries in the Godavery and Kistna rivers.

2. I beg to forward the names, written in the Telugu character, of the fish which constitute the bulk of those caught below the anicut at Dowlaishweram. I know that Nos. 4 and 6 are sea as well as fresh water fish, that is, they frequent and are caught in both.

3. The Grey Mullet is caught in great quantities along the sea coast at Cocanada, full of roe during the early part of the cold season, and after the freshes in the river are over. That it does spawn in fresh water I feel sure, from having often seen and caught shoals of young mullet not more than three or four inches long, high up in the river at Chicacole; whether it also spawns in the sea I cannot say, but imagine not. I believe that the bulk of the fish caught below the anicut is the Sable, "Pulasa."

4. I do not think the idea of employing fishermen to catch spawning fish below the anicut, and put them into the river above it, a good one. I think that the fish will very probably be injured in so doing by the fishermen, unless they are most carefully overlooked; and even if not, the working the nets will, I believe, tend to frighten the fish back from the anicut. I know that, at Home, working a net in a pool containing Salmon, tends to frighten away fish that are not caught; and I have often seen fish that are so taken hurt by the rope, of the net. I think Captain Beckley's idea of fish ladders a much better one, and more likely to be successful, and there is no chance of injuring the fish. Drawings of fish ladders, such as are successfully used at Home, could be got, and I believe that their construction here would cost less than at Home, from the greater cheapness of wood. As I am going Home myself immediately, to return soon, I should be happy to make inquiries about these, and their probable cost, and bring out plans or even a small working model of one.

5. I believe a mistake in quoting from my letter of 17th October. It was not I, but Viranna, who said "fish could not get back to the sea when the river is low." Any one who knows the Godavery knows this to be nonsense. There is at all times of the year ample water in it for any fish that frequent it to get up to the anicut from the sea and back again.

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1. Valugu వాలుగ Cat fish (English name.)
2. Gandu Menulu గండుమేనులు.
3. Bochelu బొచ్చెలు.
4. Jella జెల్ల.
5. Vonzu వొంజు.
6. Pulasa పులస.

No. 1—Is a large scaleless fish, with long feelers from the sides of the mouth. In shape its head is like a Cod's, but the mouth enormously large. It has a fin running all along the back and all down the belly to the tail. I have seen it caught of 15 lbs. weight; but it is said to attain an immense size about six feet in length. It takes a bait freely, a live bait best. Is caught at all times of the year, and is believed to be entirely a fresh water fish.

Nos. 2 *and* 3.—Large flat fishes very much alike in shape and appearance. Swims like the Pomfret upright or edgewise; believed to be exclusively fresh water fish; are found in tanks too, which have communication with the Godavery, grow to a large size; are eaten by the gentle-folk at Rajahmundry, and are well flavoured. No. 2 is not caught while fresh, or red water is coming down the Godavery, but when it is clear only, in the cold and hot weather. No. 3 caught at all times in small numbers.

No. 4.—Caught at all times of the year. It is a scaleless sea and fresh water fish, with feelers from the mouth, and has in each pectoral and the dorsal fin a spike or prolongation of one of the fin-rays, the prick of which is very painful and poisonous in some degree, for the wound throbs and smarts for long after being inflicted, and is difficult to heal—(*experto crede*). I have seen it caught in the sea of 3 and 4 lbs. weight. It takes a bait freely.

Records

Sir

In reference to the orders
of Government noted in the margin
calling for reports relative to the
destruction of fisheries in rivers caused
by the Aqueducts constructed near
their mouths, I have the honor to
forward
Copy of a letter from my Sub Collector
and another from Captain Howard
the Assistant Engineer in charge of the
3rd Range in this District on the subject.
2. The former relates to the
Colcroon River and the latter

* 11th September 1867 No 2140
7th Oct/67 " 2348
21st Do - " 2469

10th 12

Jas. Smith Esqr
Chief Secretary to Govt
Public Works Dept

Sir

I have the honor to forward
for the information of
Chief Secretary to Government
of

to form any accurate calculable inference
tion or opinion in this matter than
are contained in the enclosures, —
although I have applied to several
others, who I thought might have
it in their power to throw some light
the subject.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obt. Servant

South Kent
Elec. Office
Castle Eden
1st February 1868

Charles Lake
Collector

I hope the different accounts are of service
that the Constitution of the Branch
has not perceptibly affected the
integrity of Each in the Service
to whose trust committed

Rec'd 1868. Oct 5th
No of Com. Year's Letter
From 368.
the Collector of
South Arcot
To
the Chief Secretary to
Government
Madras

Dated 1st February 1868

No. 12

Enclosure 2 [illegible]

Forwards Copy of a Petition from the Inhabitants of Porto Novo praying that Captain Maxwell may be Manager of the Pt Novo Estate

Reported to Government Dft 14th Oct 1868 [illegible]

List of Orders of Government remaining unanswered up to 31st December 1867.

Date of Letter	Date.	Subject.	Cause of delay & general remarks.
532	4th March 1867.	Directing the Salem Commissioner to explain more fully the necessity for employing the Establishment referred to in his letter of the 12th February last & the cost of Government.	The Report will not be Charged to Government.
1897.	15th August 1867.	Sanctioning the construction of the Shed referred to in the Salem Commissioners letter, dated 12th ultimo No 85, in the Village of Chinnapadi in the Omalur Taluq Godavery District, and directing him to report the exact amount of Sum required to be expended.	The Estimate has been called upon to show what the Expenditure & accounts &c required, the report will be submitted.
1911	Do.	Sanctioning the construction of the Shed in the Village of Addapalli Tahsildi Taluq Rajahmundry District applied for by Commissioner proposed to defray the Expenditure from Municipal Funds, and directing him to report the amount of Sum required to be expended under the above order.	Do. Do.
2215	21st September 1867.	Referring to the Salem Commissioner for full report as to the former & present position of the Hill Chieftainships in the Salem District, especially with reference to rights over Jungle Trees.	Vide letter, dated 8th May 1868. to J.

Salem Commissioners Office
Madras 14th May 1868.

J. W. Kirwin
Offg Salem Commissioner.

To
The Secretary to Government
Revenue department
Fort Saint George.

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From W.- 1636.

The offg Surm Commissioner

To, The Secretary to Govt.
Revenue Department
Fort Saint George

Date 14th May 1868

Recd 18th

No. 329

List of Orders of
Government passed in
Council unnoticed after 31st
December 1867.

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With Order

W.- 34.

Ordered to be lodged.

2.- The Government note the
remarks in this list in
reference to G.O. 4th March 1867.
No. 200, which renders a
reply to that order unnecessary.

The Offg Surm Commr Salem
27 27th May/68.