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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

12th August 1878, No. 3,211 W.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

Read the following paper :—

No. 127. Endorsement of the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Ootacamund, 6th August 1878.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd August 1878, No. 2,162.

From H. W. BLISS, Esq., Commissioner of Salt Revenue, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Madras, 30th July 1878, No. 848.

I HAVE the honor to subjoin a statement showing the falling off in sales of salt in the several Salt Divisions of the Madura District in Fasil 1287, as compared with the preceding year and with the average of the preceding five years.

Divisions.	SALES IN		
	Fasil 1287.	Fasil 1286.	Fasils 1282—86 inclusive (Average).
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Muthuragundapatam	20,221	36,143	70,639
Morekulam	43,908	94,152	58,262
Attankarai	15,656	6,481	34,990
Viravanadapatam	8,654	43,951	45,495
Vattanam	50,917	81,701	64,100
Punchakalai Taravai	409	1,378	534
Total ...	1,39,765	2,63,806	2,74,020

2. This great decrease in sales is of course due to the competition of rail-borne salt from Tuticorin, and is no more than I long ago anticipated. But it raises the question whether some at least of these stations should not be abandoned; and, if so, which. I have already called on the Salt Deputy Collector for report upon this question, and will also obtain the opinion of the Collector thereon.

3. In the meantime, I have the honor to suggest that Government may be addressed in the Department Public Works with a view to the issue of orders that works Nos. 53, 61, and 65 in Part I of the Petty Construction and Repair Budget shall not be proceeded with until it is determined what divisions, if any, should be abandoned under the circumstances above stated.

Submitted to Government with the request that the necessary orders may be issued in the Department Public Works.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) G. A. GALTON,
Acting Secretary.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Works Department for disposal accordingly.

(Signed) C. O. MASTER,
Secretary to Government.

No. 128. ORDER THEREON, 12th August 1878, No. 3,211 W.

Communicated to the District Engineer, Madras, who will issue orders for the discontinuance of work on the items referred to.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. A. FOORD, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

(True Copy.)

Major, R.E.,
Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the District Engineer, Madras.
" Board of Revenue.
" Revenue Department.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

THE DISTRICT ENGINEER,
MADRAS.

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For Construction and Repair Estimate.
The District Engineer, Madras, to send
orders for the discontinuance of works
Nos. 68, 69, and 70 in Part A of the

No. 2162

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Dated 3rd August 1878.

Read the following:-

No. 2162

From H. W. Blair Esquire
Commissioner of Salt Revenue

To the District Engineer
By Letter to the Board of Revenue
Madras.

Shew the loss to suffer a statement
showing the falling off in sales of Salt in the several
Salt Divisions of the Madras District in Early 1877
as compared with the preceding year and with the
average of the preceding 5 years:-

Divisions	Sales in		
	Early 1877	Early 1876	Early 1872 -86 inclusive (average)
Madhavaram	20,221	31,423	70,139
Chenchikalai	43,908	94,152	58,316
Attur	15,656	6,421	34,990
Karimnagar	8,154	13,957	16,695
Tattur	50,917	24,701	64,100
Chenchikalai Taluk	409	13,78	554

Total 139,765 2,63,806 2,76,020

2. This great decrease in sales is of course due

the competition of carbonate salt from India and
is no more than I long ago anticipated. But it
raises the question whether some at least of these
stations should not be abandoned and if so
which. I have already called on the Salt Deputy
Collector for report upon this question and will
also obtain the opinion of the Collector there.

3. In the meantime, I have the honor to suggest
that Government may be addressed in the B.P.W.
with a view to the issue of orders that under Nos
58-61 and 65 in Part I of the Pelly Constitution
and Pelly Budget shall not be proceeded
with until it is determined what Stations
if any should be abandoned under the cir-
cumstances above stated.

Off. Secy of the Council of
Salt Revenue, Madras.
Dated 30th July 1878

I have the honor
to be, Sir, your obedient servant,
N. T. Bliss
Comptroller of Salt Revenue

Submitted to Government with the request
that the necessary orders may be issued in the B.P.W.
(See Copy and Extract)

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
The Secretary, Government P.W.

W. H. P.

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GOVT. OF (1878) MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS

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No. 12 Aug 1878 32/16

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