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No. 53. Read the following Extracts from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 1st December 1857, No. 4291.

In accordance with the instructions contained in para. 8 of Extract Minutes Consultation dated 12th April 1856, No. 375, Revenue Department, the Board of Revenue proceed to report on the working of the Collectorate Presses during the official year 1856-57.

From Acting Collector Ganjam 9th in Con. 18th September 1857.

2. The District of Ganjam was supplied with the prescribed quantity of type. Materials, Presses, &c., in April 1856. As practical men could not be found in the District, the Board engaged printers at Madras, but owing to the distance they had to travel they did not reach their destination till late in the year. At the outset the work was confined to printing blank forms, Circulars, &c., but subsequently papers of a more general character, as far as means would allow were printed.

Note.—The cylinder of this has since been injured and sent to Madras for repair.

3. The Acting Collector has likewise a Waterloo Autographic press with which he strikes off work in the Ooreya language, but he finds some difficulty in using this machine from the want of a person competent to manage it.

	Rs.
Reduction...	90 12
Press Establishment	73 ,,
Surplus...	17 12

4. The Acting Collector has provided for the press Establishment by reductions in his Moyenzabitah. A surplus of Rupees 17-12 still remains, which will provide contingencies and another compositor when required. The Collector is desirous of entertaining one or two apprentices at 5 Rupees each per month, and the Board approve of this proposal particularly at the distance of Ganjam from the Presidency renders it very desirable to train competent workmen in the District.

5. The mode adopted by the Acting Collector for valuing the work executed at the press is generally in accordance with the rules circulated by the Board.* It is not usual however they believe at the Presidency presses to make any reductions in book work for blank portions of a page. Small jobs of less than one page are generally executed upon contract without strict reference to the ordinary mode of charge.

C. O. 10th September 1856.

6. The inconvenience felt from the insufficiency of Telugu Type will be obviated when the additional supply sanctioned by Government reaches the district. The Board are doubtful whether any Ooreya Type is procurable at Madras, but request that the Superintendent of the Fort Saint George Gazette Press may be instructed to endeavour either to purchase a fount, or have one cast as such type is very much required in Ganjam.

Ex. M. C. 14th March 1857, *No.* 259, *R. D.*
Ex. M. C. 24th Sep. 1857, *No.* 979, *R. D.*

7. The financial results of the year as exhibited in the Collector's present report is a balance against the press of Rupees 241-4-3. The work performed at the outset is not however a fair criterion of the extent to which the press will hereafter be employed, and Rupees 132 of the deficiency were expended in wages before the press could even be set up. The Board have no doubt that when full advantage is taken of the facilities afforded by typography, the pecuniary results will be more favorable, and they recommend that the deficiency may be written off the Acting Collector's accounts.

Vizagapatam.

8. In the Vizagapatam District no press has yet been established. The Acting Collector has however expressed a wish to be furnished with one, and the Board are in communication with him on the subject.

Rajahmundry.
15th in Cons. 24th June 1857.

9. The Government are aware that recourse was had to printing in the Rajahmundry District before the Government press was introduced, the Sub-Collector Mr. G. N. Taylor having set up a small one of his own at Nursapoor. Mr. Purvis reports that little work has yet been done for other departments, but full advantage has evidently been taken of the press for his own office. "It is almost impossible" he writes

" to over-rate the benefits derived from the press. Orders and notices on various matters which it is necessary to circulate in most of the 1500 villages of which the district is composed which before took, I may say, weeks to reach their destination, now do so in days." The total number of copies struck off up to the 30th April last were 1,79,188. On referring to the Statement No. 1 it will be seen that about 21,000 copies of Circulars were issued chiefly for the information of village officers, 1,000 translations of Act I. and 1,100 of Act XXIII. of 1856, and 1,500 of Act III. of 1857, were circulated, and about 5,000 notices regarding the Exhibitions. These are but a few of the uses to which the Press has been put, and it is clear that without its assistance, all that the Collector could have done would have been to issue a few copies to the Tahsildars leaving them to supply the village officers as they best could.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Post office, ...	7	0	0
Civil Court,...	10	13	0
Inspector of Prisons, ...	4	14	0
Department Public Works, ...	28	9	0
	51	0	0

10. The total value of work done was Rs. 1,383 of which Rs. 190 was for other Departments and for private individuals. The amount of business received from the four public offices shown in the margin was only Rs. 51. The Board are surprised that the Judicial Department has had so little occasion to resort to the Press.

11. The charges amounted to Rupees 1,020-2-5, of which Rupees 904-14-5 were met by reductions in the Collector's Establishment, as already reported to Government and sanctioned by them. The balance at the credit of the Press is Rupees 75, and Mr. Purvis proposes when the Funds admit to purchase a further quantity of Telugu type, as that already supplied, with some small additions made at his own expense, is barely sufficient for present requirements. Considering the great use to which the Press in this District is put, and the small surplus available, the Board recommend that the additional type should be supplied by Government in accordance with the original intention of setting up each Press *complete* and leaving it to be worked free of additional expense to the State.

Masulipatam.
21st in Cons. 29th May 1857.

12. In this District also considerable benefit has been derived from the Press, 576 forms many of a very useful character have been struck off during 11 months. The Judicial Department has taken advantage of the Press to a considerable extent, the work done for the local Courts having amounted in value to Rupees 344.

13. The charges from June 1856 to 30th April 1857 have been 800-2-9, while the receipts (including reductions in the Collector's Establishment equivalent to Rupees 617) amounted to Rupees 1,164-8-2, leaving a surplus of Rupees 364. The Acting Collector proposes a small addition to the establishment, the total cost of which will then be Rupees 84 per mensem, the office arrangements proposed by the Acting Collector were reported in the Board's Proceedings dated 17th December 1856. The Board trust that where a press is steadily earning more than it costs, the Government will permit small additions of this kind to be made without requiring the Collectors to make equivalent reductions in their establishments, beyond those already made. Practically the Collectors have been obliged to meet nearly the whole expenses of presses by reductions in their offices, for little aid has in this way been afforded by other departments. It is but reasonable therefore that the surplus proceeds of the press should be placed at their disposal for such purposes.

14. With the permission of Government the Board will supply the Acting Collector with a small standing press and book binding implements, which he states can be used without extra expenditure, and will certainly be of use.

Guntoor.
13th in Cons. 20th May 1857.

15. One of the improved presses was not available for Guntoor. One of a less efficient character was however procured there and used in conjunction with a Lithographic press for English work as Telugu type alone had been obtained.

16. The Statements which accompany Mr. Newill's report will show the many uses to which the presses have been put, upwards of 1,65,000 impressions having been struck off. The district Gazette which has been established in this as well as some other Collectorates is particularly noticed by Mr. Newill. " The administration of the affairs of the district " he remarks

" is laid open instead of often as formerly being covered with a veil of secrecy and mystery, all important matters and general instructions are now conveyed with promptness and certainty to their destination." " This measure has, I think, provided one of the most efficient checks against intrigue and official oppression as well as secured greater punctuality in business." The Gazette is furnished officially to all Tahsildars and Samutdars, but the benefits resulting from the publication induce the Board to recommend that a copy should be sent to each village Moonsiff of Curnum. The extra charge will be merely the cost of paper and ink and will be amply compensated by the advantages of the measure. The Gazette is also taken by a few private individuals.

17. The charges for the presses have amounted to Rupees 970-11-10, and the receipts to Rupees 1,005-2-6.

18. The press establishment has not been finally arranged owing to the difficulty of complying with the orders of Government limiting reductions to the department affected by printing.

From Govt. 19th March 1857.

19. In their Proceedings dated 2d February 1857, the Board have recommended the supply of type and a superior press for this District.

Nellore.
19th in Cons. 29th May 1857.

20. The Press in Nellore commenced operations in May 1856, but a private Lithographic one was previously used to some extent.

21. The work done in this District was almost entirely for the Collector's office, the other Public Departments having made but little use of the press.

22. The expense of the establishment has been entirely met (with the approval of Government) by the abolition of the situation of 2d Assistant Sheristadar.

23. The charges of the press amounted altogether to Rupees 1,117-13-0, and the income to Rupees 1323, so that there is now a surplus of 205 Rupees in hand. The contingent charges include the cost of a number of useful articles not originally supplied by Government. The wooden press referred to in para. 11 of the Report was procured from the Superintendent of the Government Gazette Press and was intended mainly for proofs and rough work.

Bellary.
5th in Cons. 10th June 1857.

24. In Bellary advantage was taken of the London Missionary Society breaking up their printing establishment to purchase two presses with a variety of type and furniture. One of these was sent to Cuddapah and the other set up at Bellary in the Collector's office.

25. The Collector states that the single press retained by him is not sufficient for the purposes of his office, and requests that he may be furnished with a new iron one, and be allowed to purchase a wooden press now for sale in his district, at a price not exceeding 50 Rupees.

26. The Board support the Collector's application as regards the purchase of the wooden press, and they think these two presses will suffice for his office. It is observed that other Collectors have only been supplied with an iron and a wooden press.

27. The Board also recommend that Mr. Pelly may be furnished with the Telogoo and English type specified in enclosure No. 5 of his report.

28. The scale of printing charges introduced by the Collector seems to be fair, and the Board see no objection to the rates being continued.

29. The expenses of the press including contingent charges amounted to Rupees 1,113-1-10, and the reductions of establishment and receipts for printing to Rupees 1,276-2-0, leaving a balance in favor of the press of Rupees 163-0-2.

In Cons. 12th August 1857.

30. The adjustment proposed in the Collector's letter of 24th March 1857, paras. 7 and 8, by which the deficiency in the reductions in the Moyenzabitah is proposed to be made good from the earnings of the press is approved.

31. The Collector is quite correct in not crediting the press with the value of the work executed for his own office. The income of the press is in fact the money realized on its account, 1st by the reductions effected in the Collector's permanent establishment; and 2d, by work performed for other departments.

32. The question of establishment for the press has been separately brought to the notice of Government in the Board's Proceedings dated 10th November 1857.

33. The Collector will be guided by the instructions contained in the Board's Circular dated 13th December 1855, para. 8, regarding the supply of stationery for work executed for his own department. Private individuals and other departments will of course furnish their own stationery.

Cuddapah.
8th in Cons. 14th May 1857.

34. The report from this district is the least satisfactory of any, great delay occurred in setting up the press received from Bellary and the establishment sent from Madras were incapacitated for work by sickness.

35. The press commenced operations only in March last, and 11,500 processes for the Court and 31,500 Puttahs seem to comprise all the work done within the official year.

36. Application was made to Government in the Board's Proceedings dated 28th July 1857 for type and other requisites.

37. The Board do not approve of the Curnums being made to pay the charge for printing the Puttahs, the cost will be met by reductions in the same manner as other Revenue printing is paid for.

	Rs.
Collector's office,	56
Courts,	35
	91

38. The reductions on account of the press establishment amount to Rupees 91, and were sanctioned in Extract Minutes Consultation dated 28th March 1857, No. 304, R. D.

Kurnool.
6th in Cons. 14th May 1857.

39. An Autographic Press was supplied to Kurnool, but the Officiating Agent Captain Russell reports that it has been wholly useless from deterioration of the ink supplied and the want of a person skilled in working the Machine.

40. The former difficulty has been overcome in other Districts, and the Board attribute the failure in Kurnool to the latter cause.

Board's Proceedings dated 3d Sept. 1857.

41. In the Establishment proposed for the new Collectorate of Kurnool, the Board have made provision for a printing Establishment, and in their Proceedings dated 2nd February 1857, they have recommended that a superior Press and type should also be procured. The Autographic Press will be placed at the disposal of the Department Public Works.

North Arcot.
1st July in Consultation 3d Sep. 1857.

42. One of the first Government Presses established in the Provinces was that at Chittoor in North Arcot by Mr. Bourdillon.

43. Mr. Whittingham reports that the operations of the past year have not been so satisfactory as he could wish. The American Press forwarded could not be set up for want of a suitable room, there has been difficulty in procuring steady and competent workmen and the Contractor failed to supply paper in proper time.

44. Much work has nevertheless been performed, and the Board anticipate a more favorable report next year. The expenses of the Press (Rupees 1,007) have been entirely met by the receipts Rupees 1,040, and there is a small surplus of Rupees 53. The Collector reports that no work was done for any other Department.

South Arcot.
1st in Consultation 4th May 1857.

45. The Press in South Arcot was the first District Press established by Government at the instance of the then Collector Mr. E. Maltby, and was originally connected with the Provincial School.

46. On the 1st March 1856 it was transferred to the Collector in whose office it has since been worked. The Press however was not properly established until June 1856, for Tamil and English types had to be supplied from Madras. Notwithstanding these impediments, a satisfactory amount of work has been executed chiefly for the Collector's office. The receipts from the local Courts averaged only 5 Rupees per mensem, which is much less than the calculations and report of the late Judge Mr. Ward led the Board to expect.

47. The expenditure for the year amounted to Rupees 968-5-7, while the income was only Rupees 726-11-5, the result being a deficiency of Rupees 241-10-2.

48. The Press was transferred with an establishment costing Rupees 63 per mensem, which the Collector was obliged to maintain while reductions to meet the expense could not be immediately effected. The Judge declared his inability to make any reductions in the Judicial establishments notwithstanding the large amount of printing he calculated on requiring. The want of type also as already explained crippled the efficiency of the Press at the outset.

49. These causes combined have led to the excess of expenditure which the Board recommend for special sanction.

50. The Board approve of the proposed addition to the establishment, but have informed the Collector that the charge as well as the expenses now incurred must be provided for, without delay in the manner repeatedly ordered by Government.

Tanjore.
12th June 1857 in Cons. 4th August.

51. The Press in this District was only set on the 5th August last, and has consequently only been in use for 9 months of the last official year.

52. The Memorandum of work done is not in sufficient detail to enable a judgment to be formed of the extent to which printing has been adopted in other than were office work.

* 340.
† 155.
‡ 40.

53. The expenses of the Press have amounted to Rupees 947-7-2, while the receipts are given in the Statement as only Rupees 535, derived from the Commissioner's office,* the Judicial Department† and private‡ individuals.

54. The Government are aware that the arrangements originally proposed by the local authorities to meet the Press charges were disapproved and reductions were ordered to be made solely in those branches of the Collector's office wherein labor was lessened by the substitution of printing for writing. The arrangements set aside, however, caused a saving in salaries to the extent of Rupees 900.

From Collr. 28th June, in Con. 15th August 1856. Proceedings to Government 15th August 1856. From Government 16th September 1856.

55. The deficiency shown in the Collector's Statement will be met from this source, and the balance carried to the credit of the Press Fund.

Trichinopoly.
20th in Consultation 25th May 1857.

56. A Wooden Press was alone furnished to Trichinopoly with the necessary type. It reached the Collector in April and on the arrival of the establishment on the 31st of the following month was brought into use, business commencing on the 10th June 1856. It has since been usefully employed, chiefly for the Collector's office. The expenditure of the official year has been Rupees 662-13-6, while the income was Rupees 687-4-6.

57. The reductions effected in the Collector's office were approved by Government in Extract Minutes Consultation 6th January 1857, No. 19, Revenue Department.

Salem.
6th June 1857 in Cons. 11th June 1857.

58. The Statement of work in the Salem District does not show its nature, but a large amount has been done.

59. The charges and income have been respectively Rupees 1,246-9-11 and Rupees 1596-13-1, leaving a surplus of Rupees 350, notwithstanding the purchase of a quantity of extra type, &c.

60. The alterations in the Collector's establishment were sanctioned in Extract Minutes Consultation 10th November 1857, No, 1143, Revenue Department.

Madura.
20th May 1857, in Cons. 25th May 1857.

61. The Madura Press was established in July 1856, and has thus been in operation for 10 months. The charges have been Rupees 722, and the income Rupees 858, the greatest portion of the work having been done for the Collector's office.

62. The reductions in the general establishment were sanctioned in Extract Minutes Consultation 26th March 1857, No. 291 Revenue Department. The Acting Collector submits an application for additional type which the Board recommend may be supplied, if reported necessary by the Superintendent of the Gazette Press.

Coimbatore.
15th June 1857, *in Cons. 24th June* 1857.

63. The Collector of Coimbatore was furnished with a Press and Tamil type only in November last, but he had previously engaged a small establishment which as Government are aware he finds sufficient for present requirements.

64. The want of English type restricts the usefulness of the Press, but the Collector appears to have made good use of it since its receipt.

65. The receipts have been Rupees 355-13-10, and the outlay Rupees 475-1-8. The excess of expenditure Rupees 119-3-10 is however partly owing to the purchase of furniture and other necessaries and of book binding apparatus, these charges amounting to Rupees 106-11-10. The Board recommend the above deficiency for sanction. The net amount mentioned by the Collector, viz. Rupees 97-7-4 seems erroneous.

Malabar.
4th June 1857, *in Cons. 11th June* 1857.

66. The Malabar printing Press and English type only reached the District in September 1856, and much difficulty was experienced in procuring persons competent to work it. The Malialum type was to be cast at Cottayam, but a portion of it only was received during the year under report.

67. There being no other Press in the District a good deal of work has been done for private parties. The receipts from this source in 6 months were Rupees 306. When Collectorate Presses were established it was intended that they should be available to the public when not occupied with Government work, and so long as the latter condition is observed and competition with private Presses avoided, the arrangement is a very desirable one.

68. With regard to the Establishment the repeated orders of Government leave the Board no option but to require that the charges on this account be met by reductions in the Collector's office.

69. The Press having now been in use for a year, Mr. Robinson will be in a position to propose a fixed Establishment for it.

70. The Board do not gather from the report whether the advance of Rupees 200 has been repaid, nor is the cause explained of the large expenditure for printing paper which in other Districts is suppiied from the saderwared allowances and Stationery Indents.

71. The total current expenditure amounted only to Rupees 279-14-10, while the actual receipts (excluding the advance above mentioned) were Rupees 420-15-0.

72. The Government are aware that in Canara and Tinnevelly, advantage has been taken of private Presses for the performance of Government work, the charges being met by reductions as when a Collector's Press is maintained. The Collector of Tinnevelly has recently applied for a Press to be set up in his own office, the Board would advocate the same course in Canara.

73. From the reports of the Collectors of Rajahmundry, Guntoor and Nellore it is clear that a Collector can find ample work for a Press, not merely in facilitating the routine business of his office, but also in dissiminating useful information among the people, and it may be supposed that recourse is more freely had to a Press entirely at the Collector's disposal than to one where every thing he gets done must be paid for at the time. The Establishment and a small

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allowance for contingencies being once provided, the only point for the Collector's consideration is how to obtain work for it and make it as useful as possible, and there is thus a constant effort to turn it to advantage. In order however to enable Government to form a safer judgment on the subject, the Board will call for details of the work done for the Collectors of these Districts and Chingleput where also no press is maintained.

74. In their proceedings dated 2d February 1857, the Board have already recommended the purchase of presses and type for the Collectorates of Kurnool and Guntoor; and they would now add Canara and Tinnevelly to the list.

75. Considering that the reports now submitted show the results of the first year of the experiment of having printing establishments in Collectors' Cutcherries the Board think that they are generally very satisfactory. The degree in which the presses have been made useful of course differs in different Districts, but there can be no question that they will prove most valuable appendages to a Collector's office. Local Gazettes have been published in the Districts noted in the margin,* and will be issued in the remainder in the course of the year. Business is greatly facilitated by the headings of statements, &c., &c., being printed instead of written, and a Collector can issue notifications to his village officers or the people without either the delay or the chances of error involved in having them copied by volunteers. The Board would strongly urge that a liberal allowance of type and other materials should be allowed wherever a Collector can show that his press is profitably and usefully worked.

Vide Statement A shewing estimated value of work done in each District.

* *Ganjam.* *Guntoor.* *Masulipatam.* *Nellore.* *Salem.* *South Arcot.* *Trichinopoly.* *Rajahmundry.* *North Arcot.*

76. The Board have only to remark in conclusion the trifling degree in which printing is employed in the generality of the Courts. Reductions in their establishments have only in a few instances been effected, and as a necessary consequence payment in cash has been required. The Board of course have no means of judging whether these expenses have been met by the judges in the manner prescribed by Government, or form additional charges on the State.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM, *Ac* *Secretary.*

No. 54. Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19t ruary 1858, No. 662.

In Con. 19th Feby. 1858.
In Con. 25th May 1857.

Read letter form the Acting Collector Madura dated 16th January 1858, requesting to be suppli with a certain quantity of Tamil Types besides the English t Tamil Types indented for in his letter of the 20th May 1 .

(Here enter No. 12.)

The Board of Revenue observe that in their General Report to Government on the working of the Provincial Presses dated 1st December 1857 para. 62 they recommended that the additional type applied for by the Collector of Madura should be supplied, if deemed necessary, and they now resolve to forward the above letter for the information of Government.

2. The Board are unable to understand how the Tamil type forwarded to the Collector in April 1856, can be wearing away so soon, and they request that he will transmit to them, specimens of the type in print, in order that its present state may be ascertained.

3. The Acting Collector will also report the opinion of his Head printer, as to whether he early defect of the type arises from constant and uninterrupted use, or from inferiority o f metal.

4. With reference to the Acting Collector's request in para. 2, the Board observe that Government have stated in Extract Minutes Consultation dated 9th December 1856, Revenue Department No. 1296 that blocks of the Honorable Company's arms are not obtainable at Madras.

In Cons. 18*th Dec.* 1856.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) G. S. FORBES, *Secretary.*

No. 55. ORDER THEREON, No. 408; dated 29th March 1858.

The Board of Revenue submit, with their Proceedings above recorded, the annual reports of the several Collectors for 1856-57 on the working of the Presses recently established in their offices. The operations of these Presses are shewn in the subjoined table.

Districts.	Estimated value of the work done.	Amount of funds available.	Charges.	Difference between columns 3 and 4. Increase.	Difference between columns 3 and 4. Decrease or saving.
1	2	3	4	5	6
Ganjam	348 7 ...	348 7 1	589 11 4	241 4 3	....
Rajahmundry	1382 11 8	1095 2 1	1020 2 5	....	74 15 8
Masulipatam	1272 5 ...	1164 8 2	800 2 9	....	364 5 5
Guntoor	1841 8 7	221 8 6	200 ... 6	....	1 8 ...
Nellore	1605 10 9	1323 ... 9	1117 13 ...	....	205 3 9
Bellary	1150 15 ...	1276 2 ...	1113 1 10	....	163 ... 2
Cuddapah	110 13 6	110 13 6	....	....	....
North Arcot	1254 6 ...	1060 13 8	107 6 ...	....	53 7 8
South Arcot	1228 2 10	726 11 5	968 5 7	241 10 2	....
Tanjore	1058 6 6	535	947 7 2	412 7 2	....
Madura	1941 15 6	1596 13 1	1246 9 11	....	350 3 2
Coimbatore	996 15 ...	858 3 ...	722 ... 1	....	136 2 11
Salem	1052 7 6	355 13 10	475 1 8	119 3 10	....
Malabar	541 12 ...	620 15 ...	279 14 10	....	341 ... 2

2. The Collectors speak favorably of the advantages of the Presses, and good use appears to have been made of them, though they have been but recently established. The amount of work performed in Ganjam and Cuddapah was very small. The Acting Collector of Ganjam explains that the Press was not actually brought into use till September 1856, for want of competent persons to work it, and that it was only after some time that the people and the public servants appreciated its usefulness. In Cuddapah, several of the Printers sent from Madras have been more or less incapacitated for duty from the effects of fever.

3. There has been an increase of expenditure over receipts in the four Districts noted in the margin.* The Acting Collector of Ganjam attributes the excess in his District to the salaries of the Printers having been paid from the date they left Madras, and before they actually commenced work, as well as to full advantage not having been taken of the Press in the year under review. The Collector of South Arcot appears to have been placed under the necessity of maintaining the establishment transferred from the educational department, while reductions to meet the expense could not be immediately effected, and it further appears that the want of type crippled the efficiency of the Press at the outset. In Tanjore the excess is only nominal, 900 Rupees having been saved to Government as unpaid salaries, in consequence of certain offices having been left vacant pending the settlement of the question of reductions to be made in the Establishment. The greater portion of the increase in Coimbatore is owing to additional apparatus purchased. Under these circumstances the Right Honorable the Governor in Council sanctions the total increase, amounting to Rupees (1011-9-5) one thousand and fourteen, Annas nine and Pice five. The Board will however inform the Collectors that the

	Rs.	A.	P.
Ganjam	241	4	3
South Arcot	241	10	3
Tanjore	412	7	2
Coimbatore	119	3	10
Total...	1,014	9	5

Government will be constrained to disallow any such extra expenditure to the State in future, except for very special reasons.

	Value of work done.		*Value of work done.*
Ganjam, ...	10	*North Arcot,* ...	,,
Rajahmundry, ...	10	*South Arcot,* ...	118
Masulipatam, ...	382	*Tanjore,* ...	154
Guntoor, ...	,,	*Trichinopoly,* ...	8
Nellore, ...	9	*Salem,* ...	77
Bellary, ...	191	*Madura,* ...	4
Cuddapah ...	32	*Coimbatore,* ...	9

* *To Sudr Udalut dated* 18*th October* 1855.
To Board of Revenue dated 26*th January* 1856.
To Board 1*st May* 1857.

4. The Government observe that the Courts in the several Districts have not, to any great extent, taken advantage of the Presses, and have not consequently contributed to their charges in any great degree. The marginal note will shew the extent of work done for the Courts of each District. Mr. Ward, in his reports* on the subject, stated that a very large proportion of the Judicial papers, viz., 85 per cent. could be printed. Mr. Hall, in his communication* now before Government expresses doubts as to the correctness of this calculation. The Government however observe that Mr. Hall's opinion is not based on any data, while Mr. Ward distinctly stated that, "being unwilling to hazard an opinion upon the point without sufficient data to go upon," he "caused to be prepared a statement of the several processes, orders and other papers despatched from the office during the first six months of the current year, (1855,) distinguishing between usual, or papers that may with advantage be printed;" and not usual, or papers that cannot be printed, and called for similar returns from the several subordinate Judicial Officers, and it was from this statement, an abstract of which he submitted with his communication, that he obtained the result referred to. He remarked in para. 6 of his letter to the Board of Revenue dated 26th January 1856, No. 58, that the *ratio* of printable work, to that not printable, in the Courts of the other Districts, will be found to differ little from those given for the Courts of the Cuddalore District, because the procedure of the Courts must, as prescribed by law, be uniform throughout the Presidency; and in this view the Government concur. The little amount of work done in the South Arcot Collector's Press for the Courts appears, from the 7th para. of Mr. Ward's letter above alluded to, to have arisen from most of the English papers, and some of the Tamil papers, having been printed in the Press attached to the Provincial School previous to its transfer to the Collector, and from certain other processes having been printed at Madras. Mr. Ward's estimate of the large extent to which Judicial papers can be printed appears to have been in a great measure realized in Masulipatam. In that District the work given by the Judges is so large as to have rendered the employment of two additional hands necessary for nearly months, and the actual value of the work, so executed amounted to Rupees 344. The total number of printable papers, according to Mr. Ward's list is 205, but notwithstanding the large employment given to the Masulipatam Press by the Courts, only 143 different papers were printed. The Right Honorable the Governor in Council is fully convinced that printing can be largely d in the several Courts of all the Districts, with very great advantage to the conduct of publ business, and the Court of Sudder Udalut will be good enough to call the early attention of the veral Judges to the subject, and to urge on them the propriety of a more extensive use of printing. The Collectors will obtain from the Judges, at the close of 1857-58, two lists, one of papers actually printed, and the other of papers that might be printed, and submit them with their annual reports for that year.

5. The Government will now proceed to pass orders in regard to each District separately, on such points as appear to require them.

Ganjam. 6. The Collector proposes to employ two apprentices in the Printing office on 5 Rupees each per mensem, and the Board recommend the proposition. The Government have no objection to the measure, provided it involves no additional cost to the State. Mr. Knox complains of the insufficiency of the Teloogoo type, and requests that he may be supplied with a quantity of Ooreya type. The Government have ordered the Superintendent of the Gazette Press, under date 14th March 1857, to supply 265 lb of Teloogoo type, and if that order has not been already executed he will expedite the transmission of the supply, and endeavour, either to purchase a fount of Ooreya type, or to have one cast as early as possible. The Government remark that the Acting Collector has not submitted the prescribed returns.

Rajahmundry.

7. The Board recommend that an additional quantity of type required by the Collector may be supplied to him, leaving the surplus earned by the press available for working it. The Government are of opinion that this system of supplying type from time to time as it is required is not a good one. The Collectors have now had one year's experience, and they can, without difficulty, make an estimate of the entire quantity of type and other materials required to make their Presses really efficient. The Board will be good enough to procure such estimates from all the Districts once for all, deducting therefrom the quantity already supplied, and shewing separately that now required. These estimates, when received, should be submitted to Government after a careful examination and revision where necessary, together with a general abstract estimate for the whole Presidency. The Collector appears to have furnished some articles at his own expense; it is not the intention of Government that any private money should be spent to make the establishment efficient, and Mr. Purvis will therefore submit for sanction a bill for these articles, so that he may be repaid the outlay he has made.

Masulipatam.

8. The Acting Collector proposes a small addition to the establishment, raising the total monthly cost to Rupees 84. The Board recommend that when a press is steadily earning more than it costs, the Government shall permit small additions of this kind to be made, without insisting on corresponding reductions in the establishment. The Government see the propriety of the Board's recommendation, and they will have no objection to the surplus collections from the press, in increasing the efficiency of the establishment. The entire disbursement should however be fully represented in the annual returns, and the establishment paid from the surplus collections should be designated temporary, each District, being placed at the disposal of the Collector for and kept distinct from the establishment provided for in the Moyenzabitah, and therefore properly coming under the permanent establishment. The standing press and book binding implements applied for by the Collector should be included in the estimates required in the preceeding paragraph.

Guntoor.

9. The Board, alluding to the advantages of the District Gazette in connection with this District, suggest that a copy should be sent to each village Moonsiff or curnum, free of cost. This plan appears to Government unnecessary, and it will involve the striking off, on an average, of upwards of 1,500 copies of the Gazette in each District, for the circar villages alone, which would involve no inconsiderable cost for stationery. The Government are not therefore at present prepared to sanction the proposition, such parts of the Gazettes however, as may require general circulation throughout the District, may be separately published in the shape of proclamations or notifications, and supplied to the village officers.

Note.—Total number of circar villages in all the Collectorates except Madras, as per return No. 1 submitted by the Board with their annual Settlement Report for Fusly 1264.....50,984

Average....1,549

Bellary.

10. The Collector desires that he may be supplied with a new iron press, as also that he may be authorized to purchase a wooden Press in addition to the Press already in use in his office. The Board remark that other Collectors have been supplied with one iron and one wooden Press, and are of opinion that the same number of Presses will suffice for Bellary. The Government concur in this view, and authorize the Collector to purchase one wooden Press at an outlay not exceeding Rupees (50) fifty. The Board also recommend that a certain quantity of type required by Mr. Pelly may be supplied to him. The Government have already ordered that estimates should be submitted once for all, and no separate orders are required. The next point to be settled in connection with Bellary is the scale of printing charges introduced by the Collector; this scale, Mr. Pelly states, appears to be much the same as that laid down in the table prepared by the Superintendant of the Gazette Press, and the Government wish that the latter scale, should be introduced, to secure uniformity in all Districts.

Cuddapah.

11. The Government concur with the Board of Revenue in their opinion that the Curnums should not be charged with the cost of printing the puttahs. The Collector complains that the Press, types and furniture supplied to him are very old; the Board will institute enquiry on the subject, and report the result to Government. The Government remark that Mr. Murray has not submitted the prescribed statements.

South Arcot.

12. The arrangements for the Press Establishment of this District have not yet been satisfactorily made. The explanation called for in Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 20th November 1857, regarding the unauthorized appropriation of the pay of the Translator to the expenses of the Press Office, and for two new Goomastahs, has not been furnished as yet, and till that is submitted, together with the full report called for in para. 2 of the same order, the sanctions which the Collector requests for the alterations already made in the Moyenzabitah, cannot be granted.

Tanjore.

13. The Board, in para. 55 of their communication, remark that the increase in the charges of the Press may be met from the amount of Rupees 900 saved from certain offices having been vacant, and the remainder reserved as a Press Fund. This is not the correct course, no portion of salaries once saved on account of vacancies can be drawn from the Treasury at any subsequent period. The excess has been sanctioned above, and the adjustment should be made on that authority. No fund can be formed from the sum of Rupees 900 above alluded to.

Madura.

14. The late Acting Collector submitted an Indent for 31½ lbs. of Tamil Type, for 50lbs. Flowered English letters, for 30lbs. of Great Primer English, and for 1 cutting Press. From the letter of the present Acting Collector, Mr. Hathaway dated 16th January 1858, submitted with the Board's Proceedings dated 19th February above recorded, the Government learn that that supply, together with a further quantity of 100 lbs. of Tamil type, Long Primer size, is urgently required, as the type already furnished is fast wearing away. The Government authorize the Superintendent of the Gazette Press, as a special case, to transmit the supply required, with the exception of the 50lbs. of Flower letters, and to submit a contingent bill. The Superintendent will be furnished with a copy of Mr. Sullivan's Indent. The Board will report to Government the result of their enquiry as to the cause of the Tamil type wearing away so soon.

Malabar.

15. The Government observe that, at the date of the Collector's report, there was a surplus of Rupees 341 from the receipts of the Press; from this sum, or from the surplus that may hereafter accrue, the advance of two hundred Rupees received under the orders of Government dated 30th October 1856, should be refunded, if such has not been already done.

16. Mr. Robinson requests permission to pay some of the printers from the proceeds; the Government have no objection to the measure, as already ordered in the case of Masulipatam. He further requests to be allowed another year's trial before proposing final arrangements for the Press Establishment, and the Government have no objection to this, on the condition that no extra expenditure is incurred thereby. The Board have very properly remarked that the Press is not to be open to the public unless there is no work of the Government to be printed.

17. The Board, in para. 74, request that Presses may be procured for Canara and Tinnevelly. In Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 19th March 1857, the Superintendent of the Gazette Press was instructed to purchase two Presses for Guntoor and Kurnool, and it does not appear if he has yet done so, and several Collectors complain of the non-receipt of the supplies ordered for their districts. The Government resolve therefore to require from the Superintendent a list of the supplies ordered from time to time for the several districts; shewing the dates on which they have been actually furnished, and the orders not yet executed. He will lose no time in purchasing four Iron Presses.

18. The Board will be good enough to instruct the Collectors to confine their annual reports on the Presses to their working during the previous year. Separate communications should be addressed on points requiring early consideration or orders. The Board will also observe the same course.

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

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Statement shewing the Estimated value of Work done in each District during the year 1856/57. 8/A07

№	Districts.	Estimated value of the Work done		
1	Ganjam	348	7	1
2	Rajahmundry	1,382	11	8
3	Masulipatam	1,272	5	∞
4	Guntoor	1,871	8	7
5	Nellore	1,605	10	9
6	Bellary	1,150	15	-
7	Cuddapah	110	13	6
8	North Arcot	1,254	0	∞
9	South Arcot	1,228	2	10
10	Tanjore	1,782	11	0
11	Trichinopoly	1,056	6	6
12	Salem	1,941	15	6
13	Madura	996	15	∞
14	Coimbatore	1,052	7	6
15	Malabar	541	12	∞
	Total	17,509	4	5

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
1st December 1857.

A. D. Lee
Actg Secretary

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Revenue Department

No 4291

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 1st December 1857.

In accordance with the instructions contained in para 8 of Extract Minutes Consultation dated 12th April 1856 No 375 R. D. the Board of Revenue proceed to report on the working of the Collectorate Presses during the official year 1856/7.

2. The district of Ganjam was supplied with the prescribed quantity of Type. Materials, presses &c in april 1856. as practical men could not be found in the district, the Board engaged printers at Madras, but owing to the distance they had to travel they did not reach their destination till late in the year. at the outset the work was confined to printing blank forms, Circulars &c., but subsequently papers of a more general character, as far as means would allow were printed.

From a/Collector Ganjam 9th Dec 1857

3. The acting Collector has likewise a 10. Arlow Autographic press with which he writes off work in the Oreya language

Note. The cylinder of this has since been injured and sent to Madras for repair

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Enclosure

From Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue & the other Presidencies & Agencies for Printing Blank Forms &c. for the year 1856/57.

Fort St George, 5th Oct 1857

Statement showing the number of the different forms and Circulars printed at each Collectorate Press during the year 1856/57.

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language but he finds some difficulty in using this machine from the want of a person competent to manage it.

4 The acting Collector has provided for the press Establishment by reductions in his Mogenzabitah. a surplus of Rs. 14. 12. - still remains, which will provide contingencies and another Compositor when required. The Collector is desirous of entertaining one or two apprentices at 5 Rupees each per month, and the Board approve of this proposal particularly as the distance of Ganjam from the Presidency renders it very desirable to train competent workmen in the District.

Reduction — Rs 90. 12
Press Establishment — 73 —
Surplus 14. 12

5 The mode adopted by the acting Collector for valuing the work executed at the press is generally in accordance with the rules circulated by the Board. It is not usual however they believe at the Presidency presses to make any reductions in book work for blank portions of a page. Small jobs of less than one page are generally executed upon contract without strict reference to the ordinary mode of charge.

C.O. 10 Sept. 1857

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6 The inconvenience felt from the insufficiency of Telugu Type will be obviated when the additional supply sanctioned by Government reaches the district. The Board are doubtful whether any Oreya type is procurable at Madras but request that the Superintendent of the Fort St. George Gazette Press may be instructed to endeavour either to purchase a fount or have one cast as such type is very much required in Ganjam.

Ex Mem Cons. 4th March 1857 No 959 R.D.
Ex Mem Cons 24th Sept. 1857 No 979 R.D.

7. The financial results of the year as exhibited in the Collector's present report is a balance against the Press of Rs. 261. 4. 3. The work performed at the outset is not however a fair criterion of the extent to which the press will hereafter be employed and Rs. 132 of the deficiency were expended in wages before the Press could even be set up. The Board have no doubt that when full advantage is taken of the facilities afforded by typography, the pecuniary results will be more favorable and they recommend that the deficiency may be written off the acting Collector's accounts.

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In the Vizagapatam district no Press has yet been established. The acting Collector has however expressed a wish to be furnished with one and the Board are in communication with him on the subject. Vizagapatam.

9. The Government are aware that recourse was had to Printing in the Rajahmundry District before the Government press was introduced, the Sub Collector Mr G. N. Taylor having set up a small one of his own at Narsapoor. Mr Purvis reports that little work has yet been done for other Departments but full advantage has evidently been taken of the Press for his own office. "It is almost impossible" he writes "to over-rate the benefits derived from the Press. Orders and Notices on various matters which it is necessary to circulate in most of the 1500 villages of which the District is composed which before took, I may say, weeks to reach their destination, now do so in days." Rajahmundry. 15 in Jan 24 June 1857.

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days." The total number of Copies struck off up to the 30th April last were 149,188. On referring to the Statement No 1 it will be seen that about 21000 Copies of Circulars were issued chiefly for the information of Village Officers. 1000 translations of Act I and 1100 of Act XXIII of 1856 and 1500 of Act III of 1857 were circulated and about 5000 Notices regarding the Exhibitions. These are but a few of the uses to which the Press has been put and it is clear that without its assistance, all that the Collector could have done would have been to issue a few Copies to the Tahsildars leaving them to supply the village officers as they best could.

10. The total value of work done was Rs 1383 of which Rs 190 was for other Departments and for private individuals. The amount of business received from the four Public offices shown in the margin was only Rs 51. The Board are surprised that the Judicial Department has had so little occasion to resort to the Press.

Post Office	4	0
Civil Court	10	13
Inspection of Prisons	4	14
Dept Pub Works	28	9
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11. The charges amounted to Rs 1020. 2. 5 of which Rs 904. 14. 5 were met

met by reductions in the Collectors Establishment as already reported to Government and sanctioned by them. The balance at the credit of the Press is Rs 45 and Mr Norris proposes when the Funds admit to purchase a further quantity of Telugu Type as that already supplied, with some small additions made at his own expense, is barely sufficient for present requirements. Considering the great use to which the Press in this District is put and the small surplus available the Board recommend that the additional type should be supplied by Government in accordance with the original intention of setting up each Press complete and leaving it to be worked free of additional expense to the State.

12 In this District also considerable benefit has been derived from the Press. 376 forms many of a very useful character have been struck off during 11 months. The Judicial Department has taken advantage of the Press to a considerable extent the work done for the local Courts having amounted

Madras Pattanam 21st in Con 24th May 57.

amounted in value to Rs 344. 402

13 The charges from June 185 to 30th April 1857 have been 806. 2. 9 while the receipts (excluding reductions in the Collectors Establishment equivalent to Rs 617) amounted to Rs 1161. 8. 2, leaving a surplus of Rs 354. The acting Collector proposes a small addition to the Establishment the total cost of which will then be Rs 85 per mensem. The Office arrangements proposed by the acting Collector were reported in the Board's Proceedings dated 4th December 1856. The Board trust that where a Press is steadily earning more than it costs the Government will permit small additions of this kind to be made without requiring the Collectors to make equivalent reductions in their Establishments beyond those already made. Practically the Collectors have been obliged to meet nearly the whole expenses of Presses by reductions in their Offices for little aid has in this way been afforded by other Departments. It is but reasonable therefore that the surplus proceeds of the Press should be placed at their disposal

disposal for such purposes.

With the permission of Government the Board will supply the acting Collector with a small Standing Press and Book binding Implements, which he states can be used without extra expenditure and will certainly be of use.

15 One of the improved Presses was not available for Guntoor. One of a less efficient character was however procured there and used in conjunction with a Telugu Press for English work as Telugu Type alone had been obtained.

Guntoor
No. 2 in Con. 20th Dec. 37

16 The Statements which accompany Mr. Neill's report will shew the many uses to which the Presses have been put, upwards of 163000 impressions having been struck off. The district Gazette which has been established in this as well as some other Collectorates is particularly noticed by Mr. Neill. "The administration of the affairs of the District" he remarks "is laid open instead of often

often as formerly being covered with a veil of secrecy and mystery, all important matters and general instructions are now conveyed with promptness and certainty to their destination. This measure has I think provided one of the most efficient checks against intrigue and official oppression as well as secured greater punctuality in business." The Gazette is furnished officially to all Tahsildars and Samudars but the benefits resulting from the publication induce the Board to recommend that a copy should be sent to each Village Moonsiff or Curnum. The extra charge will be merely the cost of paper and ink and will be amply compensated by the advantages of the measure. The Gazette is also taken by a few private individuals.

17 The charges for the Presses have amounted to Rs. 970. 11. 10 and the receipts to Rs. 1008. 2. 6.

18. The Press establishment has not been finally arranged owing to the difficulty of complying with the

the orders of Government limiting reductions to the Departments affected by printing.

In their Proceedings dated 2d February 1857 the Board have recommended the supply of type and a superior Press for this District.

20. The Press in Nellore commenced operations in May 1856, but a private Lithographic one was previously used to some extent.

From Govt. 19th March '57.

Nellore. 19th to 29th May '57.

21. The work done in this District was almost entirely for the Collector's Office, the other Public Departments having made but little use of the Press.

22. The expense of the Establishment has been entirely met (with the approval of Government) by the abolition of the Situation of 2d Assistant Shereistadar.

23. The charges of the Press amounted altogether to Rs. 1117. 13 .. and the income to Rs. 1373. so that there is now a Surplus of 205 Rs in hand. The contingent charges include the cost of a number of useful articles not originally supplied by Government. The wooden Press referred to in para 11 of the

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Bellary. 6th to 10th June '57.

the Report was procured from the Superintendent of the Government Gazette Press and was intended mainly for Proofs and night work.

24. In Bellary advantage was taken of the London Missionary Society breaking up their Printing Establishment to purchase two Presses with a variety of type and furniture - one of these was sent to Cuddapah and the other set up at Bellary in the Collector's Office.

25. The Collector states that the single press retained by him is not sufficient for the purposes of his Office and requests that he may be furnished with a new iron one, and be allowed to purchase a wooden press now for sale in his district, at a price not exceeding 50 Rupees.

26. The Board support the Collector's application as regards the purchase of the Wooden Press, and they think these two presses will suffice for his Office. It is observed that other Collectors have only been supplied with an iron and a wooden press.

27. The Board also recommend that

that Mr Pelly may be furnished with the Telegu and English Type specified in Enclosure No 5 of his report.

28 The scale of printing Charges introduced by the Collector seems to be fair, and the Board see no objection to the rates being continued.

29. The expenses of the Press including Contingent Charges amounted to Rs 113. 1. 10. and the reductions of Establishment and receipts for printing to Rs 1276. 2. 7 leaving a balance in favor of the Press of Rs 163. .. 2.

30 The adjustment proposed in the Collector's letter of 24th March 1857 paras 7 and 8 by which the deficiency in the reductions in the Mogenjabitab is proposed to be made good from the Earnings of the Press is approved. 2d Con 12th Augt 57.

31. The Collector is quite correct in not crediting the Press with the value of the work executed for his own office. The income of the press is in fact the money realised on it's account, 1st by the reductions effected in the Collector's permanent Establishment and 2d by work performed for other departments.

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32 15/1857 The question of Establishment for the press has been separately brought to the notice of Government in the Board's Proceedings dated 6th November 1854.

33. The Collector will be guided by the instructions contained in the Board's Circular dated 13th December 1855. para 8. regarding the supply of Stationery for work executed for his own department. Private individuals and other departments will of course furnish their own Stationery.

Cuddapah. 8 in Con 11th Augt 57

34. The report from this District is the least satisfactory of any great delay occurred in getting up the Press. received from Bellary and the Establishment sent from Madras were incapacitated for work by sickness.

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The Press commenced operations only in March last and 11,500 Processes for the Court and 31,500 Puttahs seem to comprise all the work done within the official year.

36. Application was made to Government in the Board's Proceedings dated 28th July 1857 for type and other requisites.

37. The Board do not approve of the Curnums being made to pay the charge for printing the puttahs - the cost will be met by reductions in the same manner as other revenue printing is paid for.

38 The reductions on account of the Press Establishment amount to Rs. 91 and were sanctioned in Extract Minutes Consultation dated 28th March 1857 No. 305 R.R.

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Kurnool
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39. An autographic Press was supplied to Kurnool but the officiating Agent Captain Russell reports that it has been entirely useless - from deterioration of the Ink supplied and the want of a person skilled in working the machine.

40. The former difficulty has been overcome in other Districts and the Board attribute the failure in Kurnool to the latter cause.

41 In the Establishment proposed for the new Collectorate of Kurnool the Board have made provision for a printing Establishment and in their Proceedings dated 2nd February 1857 they have recommended that a superior Press and type should also be procured - the Autographic Press will be placed at the disposal of the Department Public Works.

Board's Proceedings of 3rd September '57.

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North Arcot.
1st July to 30th Sept 1837.

One of the first Govern-
ment Presses established in the
Provinces was that at Chittoor in
North Arcot by Mr. Bourdillon.

43. Mr Whittingham reports
that the operations of the past year,
have not been so satisfactory as he
could wish. The american Press for-
warded could not be set up for want
of a suitable room, there has been
difficulty in procuring steady and
competent workmen and the Con-
tractor failed to supply paper
in proper time.

44. Much work has never-
theless been performed and the
Board anticipate a more favorable
report next year. The expenses of the
Press (Rs 1007) have been entirely
met by the receipts Rupees 1,010 - and
there is a small surplus of Rs 53.

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South Arcot
1st to 4th May 1837.

The Collector reports that no work was
done for any other Department.

45. The Press in South Arcot was the
first District Press established by Government
at the instance of the then Collector Mr
E Maltby and was originally connected with the
Provincial School.

46. On the 1st March 1836 it was transferred
to the Collector in whose office it has since
been worked. The Press however was not
properly Established until June 1836 - for
Tamil and English types had to be supplied
from Madras. Notwithstanding these im-
pediments a satisfactory amount of work
has been executed chiefly for the Collector's
Office. The receipts from the local Courts aver-
aged only 5 Rupees per mensem which is much
less than the calculations and report of the
late Judge Mr Ward led the Board to expect.

47. The expenditure for the year amounted
to Rupees 968 5 7. while the income was only
Rupees 726 11 5. the result being a deficiency
of Rupees 241 10 2.

48. The Press was transferred with
an Establishment Costing Rupees 63 per mensem.

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which the Collector was obliged to maintain while reductions to meet the expenses could not be immediately effected - The Judge declared his inability to make any reductions in the Judicial Establishments notwithstanding the large amount of Printing he calculated on requiring - The want of type also as already explained crippled the efficiency of the Press at the outset.

49. These causes combined have led to the excess of expenditure which the Board recommend for Special Sanction.

50. The Board approve of the proposed addition to the Establishment but have informed the Collector that the charge as well as the Expenses now incurred must be provided for, without delay in the manner repeatedly ordered by Government.

51 The Press in this District was only set on the 5th August last and has consequently only been in use for 9 months of the last official year.

52 The Memorandum of work done is not in sufficient detail to enable a

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53. The expenses of the Press have amounted to Rupees 947-7-2 while the receipts are given in the Statement as only Rupees 535 derived from the Commissioner's Office, the Judicial Departments, & private individuals.

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b. 155
c. 40

54. The Government are aware that the arrangements originally proposed by the local authorities to meet the Press charges were disapproved and reductions were ordered to be made solely in those branches of the Collector's office wherein labor was lessened by the substitution of printing for writing - The arrangements set aside, however, caused a saving in Salaries to the extent of Rupees 900 -

From Coll. 28th June in Con. 15th Aug.t 56. - Pres. & Gob.t 15th Sept. - From Gov.t 16th Sept. -

55 The deficiency shown in the Collector's Statement will be met from this source and the balance carried to the credit of the Press Fund.

Trichinopoly 26th in Con. 25th May 57.

56. A Wooden Press was also furnished to Trichinopoly with the necessary type - It reached the Collector

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in April and on the arrival of the Establishment on the 31st of the following Month was brought into use, business commencing on the 10th June 1856. It has since been usefully employed, chiefly for the Collector's Office. The expenditure of the Official year has been Rupees 662-12-6 while the income was Rupees 687-4-6

57. The productions effected in the Collectors Office were sanctioned by Government in Extract Minutes Circulation 6th Jany 1857 No. 19. Rev. Dept.

58. The Statement of work in the Salem District does not show its nature but a large amount has been done.

Salem
6th June 1857
Sir Cross No 1 June

59 The charges and income have been respectively Rupees 1246-9-11 and Rs 1696-13-1 leaving a surplus of Rupees 350 notwithstanding the purchase of a quantity of Extra type &c.

60. The alterations in the Collectors establishment were sanctioned in E.M.C 10th November 1856 No. 4427 Rev. Dept.

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Madura
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61 The Madura Press was established in July 1856. and has thus been in operation for 10 Months. The charges have been Rupees 722 and the income Rupees 858. the greatest portion of the work having been done for the Collectors Office.

62. The productions in the general Establishment were sanctioned in E.M.C 26th March 1857 No. 291 R.D. The Acting Collector submits an application for additional type which the Board recommend may be supplied, if reported necessary by the Superintendent of the Gazette Press.

Coimbatore
15th June 1857 in
Con 24th do

63 The Collector of Coimbatore was furnished with a Press and Tamil type only in November last but he had previously engaged a small Establishment which Government are aware he finds sufficient for present requirements.

64 The want of English type restricts the usefulness of the Press but the Collector appears to have made good use of it since its receipt.

65. The receipts have been Rupees 335-10-10 and the outlay Rupees 175-1-8. The excess

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in of expenditure Rupees 119-3-10 is however partly owing to the purchase of furniture and other necessaries and of Book binding apparatus — these charges amounting to Rupees 106-11-10. The Board recommend the above deficiency for sanction. The net amount now struck by the Collector Viz. Rupees 97-7-4 seems erroneous.-

66. The Malabar Printing Press and English Type only reached the District in September 1856 and much difficulty was experienced in procuring persons competent to work it. The Malabalum Type was to be cast at Cottayam but a portion of it only was received during the year under report.- Malabar 4th June 1857 No 11

67. There being no other Press in the District a good deal of work has been done for private parties. The receipts from this source in 6 months were Rupees 306 When Collectorate Presses were established it was intended that they should be available to the Public when not occupied with Government work, and so long as the latter condition is observed and competition with private Presses avoided, the arrangement is a very desirable one.- 2.0 / 407

68. With regard to the Establishment the repeated orders of Government leave the Board no option but to require that the charges on this account be met by reductions in the Collector's Office

69. The Press having now been in use for a year Mr Robinson will be in a position to propose a fixed Establishment for it.-

70. The Board do not gather from the Report whether the advance of Rupees 200 has been repaid nor is the cause explained of the large expenditure for Printing Paper which in other Districts is supplied from the Sadr and allowances and Stationery Institutes

71. The total Current expenditure Amounts only to Rupees 279-11-10 while the actual receipts (excluding the advance above mentioned) were Rupees 420-15-0.

72. The Government are aware that in Canara and Tinnevelly, advantage has

has been taken of private presses for the performance of Government work. the charges being much by reductions as when a Collectors Press is maintained. The Collector of Tinnevelly has recently applied for a Press to be set up in his own Office, the Board would advocate the same course in Canara.

73. From the reports of the Collectors of Rajahmundry, Guntoor and Nellore it is clear that a Collector can find ample work for a Press, not merely in facilitating the routine business of his Office but also in dissemination of useful information among the people - and it may be supposed that recourse is more freely had to a Press entirely at the Collectors disposal than to one where every thing to be done must be paid for at the time - The Establishment and a small allowance for contingencies being once provided the only point for the Collectors consideration is how to obtain work for it and make it as useful as possible, and

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there is thus a constant effort to turn it to advantage. In order however to enable Government to form a proper judgment on the subject the Board will call for details of the work done for the Collectors of these Districts and Chingleput where also no press is maintained.

74. In their proceedings dated 2nd February 1854 the Board have already recommended the provision of Presses and type for the Collectorates of Kurnool and Guntoor and they would now add Canara and Tinnevelly to the list.

75. Considering that the reports now submitted show the results of the first year of the experiment of having Printing Establishments in Collectorates the Board think that they are generally very satisfactory - The degree in which the Presses have been made useful of course differs in different Districts but there can be no question that they will prove most valuable appendages to a Collectors Office. Local Gazettes have been published in the

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S7A shewing estimated value of work done in each District.

Districts

Districts noted in the margin and will be issued in the procedure in the course of the year. Business is greatly facilitated by the Headings of Statements &c &c being printed instead of written and a Collector can give notifications to his village officers & the people without either the delay or the chances of error incident in having them copied by volunteers. The Board would strongly urge that a liberal allowance of type and other materials should be allowed to every Collection can shew that his Press is profitably and usefully worked.

16. The Board have only to remark in conclusion the high degree in which Printing is employed in the generality of the Courts. Reductions in their Establishments have only in a few instances been effected and as a necessary consequence payment in cash has been required. The Board of course have no means of judging whether these expenses have been met by

* Gangaum.
Guntoor.
Masulipatam.
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by the Judges in the manner prescribed by Government or some additional charges on the state.

(A true Extract)

Sd. [illegible]

Actng Secretary.

To,

H. Forbes Esq.

Actng Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

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Dy to Covs 18th April 1856 - N° 23 - 24
" " 20th November 1855 " 20 - 21
" " 24 September 57 " 16 - 17
" " 7th March " 11 - 12
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" " " " 39 & 40.

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 1st December 1857.
Read 3rd "

7th Enclosure

N° 1291

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C. N° 251 inc:

S. C. N° 408. 29th March 1858

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1st April 58.
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No. 662.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th February 1858.

Read letter from the Acting Collector of Madura dated 16th January 1858 requesting to be supplied with a certain quantity of Tamil Types besides the English and Tamil Types indented for in his letter of the 20th May 1857.

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In Con. 25th May 1857.

(Here enter No. 12.)

The Board of Revenue observe that in their General Report to Government on the working of the Provincial Presses dated 1st December 1857 para. 62 they recommended that the additional type applied for by the Collector of Madura should be supplied, if deemed necessary, and they now resolve to forward the above letter for the information of Government.

2. The Board are unable to understand how the Tamil type forwarded to the Collector in April 1856, can be wearing away so soon, and they request that he will transmit to them specimens of the type in print, in order that its present state may be ascertained.

3. The Acting Collector will also report the opinion of his Head Printer, as to whether the early defect of the type arises from constant and uninterrupted use, or from inferiority of metal.

4. With reference to the Acting Collector's request in para. 2, the Board observe that Government have stated in Extract Minutes Consultation dated 9th December 1856, Revenue Department No. 1296 that blocks of the Honorable Company's arms are not obtainable at Madras.

In Cons. 18th Dec. 1856.

(A true Extract.)

Secretary.

To

H. FORBES, Esq.
Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
Copy to the Collector of Madura.

Rec. from the Bd. of Rev. 2d Dec. 57 Col. 1502 in b. 30 Hund. Loans 9th Dec. 58 No. 39 & 40.

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 19th February 1858

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No 662

Enc. 608 29th March 1858.

Submitting as to the Returns from the Acting Collector of Madura regarding the Establishment of certain quantity of Stamped Types, and Selecting the Instructions issued thereto to the Collector.

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No 608

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 29th March, 1858.

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Here enter 1st Dec/57 to 5th July/58 Nos 429 to 462)

The Board of Revenue submit with their Proceedings above recorded the annual reports of the several Collectors for 1856/57 on the working of the Presses recently established in their Offices. The operations of these Presses are shewn

shewn in the subjoined table.

Districts	Estimated value of the work done			amount of funds available			charges			Difference between Columns 3 & 4					
										Increase			Decrease or saving		
1	2			3			4			5			6		
Ganjam	348	7	..	348	7	1	589	11	4	241	4	3	..	..	..
Rajahmundry	1382	11	8	1095	2	1	1020	2	5	..	..	..	74	15	8
Masulipatam	1272	5	..	1164	8	2	800	2	9	..	..	..	364	5	5
Guntoor	1841	8	7	221	8	6	200	..	6	..	..	..	1	8	..
Nellore	1605	10	9	1323	..	9	1117	13	..	..	..	..	205	3	9
Bellary	1150	15	..	1276	2	..	1113	1	10	..	..	..	163	..	2
Cuddapah	110	13	6	110	13	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
North Arcot	1256	6	..	1060	13	8	1007	6	..	..	..	..	53	7	8
South Arcot	1228	2	8	726	11	5	968	5	7	241	10	2	..	..	..
Tanjore	1782	11	6	535	..	..	947	7	2	412	7	2	..	..	..
Trichinopoly	1058	6	6	687	4	6	662	13	6	..	..	..	24	7	..
Salem	1941	18	6	1576	13	1	1246	9	11	..	..	..	350	3	2
Madura	996	15	..	858	3	..	722	..	1	..	..	..	136	2	11
Coimbatore	1052	7	6	355	13	10	475	1	8	119	3	10	..	..	..
Malabar	541	12	..	620	15	..	279	14	10	..	..	..	341	..	2

2 The Collectors speak favorably of the advantages of the Paper, and good use appears to have been made of them, tho' they have been but recently established. The amount of work performed in Ganjam and Cuddapah was very small. The acting Collector of Ganjam explains that the Press was not actually brought into use till September 1856, for want of competent persons to work it, and that it was only after some time that the people and the public servants appreciated its usefulness. In Cuddapah several of the petitioners sent from Madras have been more or less incapacitated for duty from the effects of fever.

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There has been an increase of expenditure over receipts in the four Districts noted in the margin. The Acting Collector of Tanjore attributes the excess in his District to the Salaries of the printers having been paid from the date they left Madras, and before they actually commenced work, as well as to full advantage not having been taken of the Press in the year under review. The Collector of South Arcot appears to have been placed under the necessity of maintaining the Establishment transferred from the educational Department, while reductions to meet the expense could not be immediately

	Rs. As. P.
Tanjore	341-6-3
South Arcot	341-10-3
Tanjore	112-7-2
Coimbatore	119-3-10
Total	1014-9-5

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immediately effected, and it further appears that the want of type crippled the efficiency of the Press at the outset. In Tanjore the excess is only nominal, 900 Rupees having been saved to Govt. as unpaid salaries in consequence of certain offices having been left vacant pending the question of reductions to be made in the Establishment. The greater portion of the increase in Coimbatore is owing to additional apparatus purchased. Under these circumstances the Right Honorable the Governor in Council sanctions the total increase, amounting to 1 Rupees (1014-9-5) one thousand

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five. The Board will
however inform the
Collector that the
Government will be
constrained to disallow
any such extra ex-
penditure to the state
in future, except for
very special reasons.

4. The Govern-
-ment observe that
the Courts in the
several Districts have
not to any great
extent taken ad-
-vantage of the Proper,
and

and have not come-
-quently contributed
to their charges no
any great extent. depred
The marginal note
will show the extent
of work done for the
Courts of each Dis-
trict. Mr Ward, in
his report*
on the subject, stated
that a very large
proportion of the
Judicial papers,
viz 85 per cent, could
be

	value of work done.
Ganjam	10
Rajahmundry	10
Masulipatam	382
Guntoor	"
Nellore	9
Bellary	191
Cuddapah	32
North Arcot	"
South Arcot	118
Tanjore	154
Trichinopoly	8
Salem	77
Madura	114
Coimbatore	9.

* To Sub not 2/18 Octo/85
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be printed. Mr.

Hall, in his com-

munication now

before Government,

expresses doubts as

to the correctness of

this calculation. The

Government however

observe that Mr.

Mr. Hall's opinion is

not based on any

data, which may

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Mr. Ward distinctly stated that "being unwilling to hazard an opinion upon the point without sufficient data to go upon, he caused to be prepared a statement of the several precepts orders and other proper documents from the Office during the first six months of the current year (1855), distinguishing between general and special papers that may with advantage be printed; and not usual, or papers that cannot be printed; and called for similar returns from the several Subordinate Judicial Officers, and it was from this statement an abstract of which he submitted with his communication that he referred to obtained the result he remarked

remarked in para 6 of his letter to the Board of Revenue dated 26th January 1856 N° 58 that the ratio of printable work, to that not printable, in the Courts of the other Districts, will be found to differ little from those given for the Courts of the Cuddalore District, because the procedure of the Courts must, as prescribed by Law, be uniform throughout the Presidency; and on this view the Government concur. The Cuttle amount of work done in the South Arcot Collector's Press for the Courts of the 7th Zillah appears, from Mr Ward's letter above alluded to, to have arisen from most of the English papers, and some of the Tamil papers, having been printed in the Press attached to the Provincial School previous to its transfer to the Collector, and

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Mr Ward's estimate of the large extent to which Judicial papers can be printed appears to have been in a great measure realized in Masulipatam. In that District the work given by the Judge was so large as to have rendered the employment of two additional hands necessary for nearly six months, and the actual value of the work so executed, amounted to Rupees 346. The total number of printable papers, according to Mr Ward's list is 205, but notwithstanding the large employment given to the Masulipatam Press by the Courts, only 163 different papers were printed. The

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Right Honorable the Governor in Council is fully convinced that printing can be largely used in the Several Courts of all the Districts, with very great advantage to the conduct of public business, and the Court of Sudder Adalut will be good enough to call the early attention of the Several judges to the subject, and to urge on them the propriety of a more extensive use of printing. The Collectors will obtain from the judges at the close of 1857/58, two lists, one of papers actually printed, and the other of papers that might be printed and Submit them with their annual reports for that year.

5 The Government will now proceed to pass orders in regard to each District Separately, or such points as appear to require them.

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Gunjam.

6 The Collector proposes to employ two apprentices in the Printing Office on 5 Rupees each per mensem, and the Board recommend the proposition. The Government have no objection to the measure, provided it involves no additional cost to the State. Mr. Knox complains of the insufficiency of the Telugoo type, and requests that he may be supplied with a quantity of Coreya type. The Government have ordered the Superintendent of the Gazette Press, under date 14th March 1857, to supply 265 lb of Telugoo type, and if that order has not been already executed he will expedite the transmission of the supply, and endeavour,

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either to purchase a fount of Roman type, or to have one cast as early as possible. The Government remark that the acting Collector has not submitted the prescribed annual returns.

7 The Board recommend that an additional quantity of type required by the Collector may be supplied to him, learning the supplies carried by the Press on its available for working on it. The Government are of opinion that this system of supplying type from time to time as it is required is not a good one. The Collectors have now had one year's experience, and they can without difficulty make an estimate of the entire quantity of type and other materials required to make them

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their Presses readily effici=ent. The Board will be good enough to procure such Estimates from all the Districts once for all, deducting therefrom the quantity already supplied, and shewing separately that now required. These estimates, when received, should be submitted to Government after a careful examination and revision where necessary, together with a general abstract Estimate for the whole Presidency. The Collector appears to have furnished some articles at his own expense; it is not the intention of Government that any private money should be spent to make the Establishment efficient and Mr Parnis will therefore submit for sanction a bill for these articles, so that he may

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he has made.

8 The acting Collector Masulipatam.
proposes a small addition
to the Establishment, raising
the total monthly cost to Rupees 84. The
Board recommend that in
when a Press is steadily
earning more than it costs,
the Government shall permit
small additions of this kind
to be made, without insisting
on correspondin reductions
in the Establishment. The
Government see the propriety
of the Board's recommendation,
and they will have no
objection to the surplus collec-
=tions from the Press, in each
District being placed at
the disposal of the Collector
for increasing the efficiency
of the Establishment. The
entire disbursement should
however

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however be fully represented
in the annual returns and
the Establishment paid
from the surplus Collections
should be designated tempo-
=rary, and kept distinct
from the Establishment
provided for in the Progen-
=itorbitals and therefore
property coming under the
permanent Establishments
The Standing Press and
Book binding implements
applied for by the Collector
should be included in the
Estimates required in the
preceding paragraphs.

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9 The Board alludi
=ing to the advantages of
the District Gazette in
connection with this District
suggest that a copy should
be sent to each village Munsiff

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or cumcum, free of cost to.
This plan appears to Govern-
ment unnecessary, and
it will involve the ex-
-tra striking off, on an aver-
-age, of upwards of 1,500 ex-
Copies of the Gazette in
each District, for the circar
Villages alone, which would
involve no inconsiderable
cost for stationery. The
Government are not there-
-fore at present prepared
to sanction the proposition.
Such parts of the Gazettes how-
-ever, as may require general
circulation throughout the District,
may be separately published in
the shape of proclamations or
notifications, and supplied to
the Village officers.

10 The Collector desires that Bellary.
he may be supplied with
a new iron Press, or

Note
Total number of circar villages in all the collectorates except Madras, as per returns Not Submitted by the Boards with their annual Settlement reports for Fasly 1264 — 3094
Average — 1549.

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33/4 08 as also that he may be authorized to purchase a wooden Press in addition to the Press already in use in his Office. The Board remark that other Collectorates have both Copper and wooden Presses, and are of opinion that the same number of Presses will suffice for Bellary. The Commissioner concurs in the above and authorizes the Collector to purchase a wooden Press at an outlay not exceeding Rupees 50 Fifty. The Board also recommend that a certain quantity of type required by the Petty may be supplied to

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heard. The Government have already ordered that estimates should be submitted once for all, and no separate orders are required. The next point to be settled in connection with the Bellary is the scale of printing charges introduced by the Collector; this scale, Mr Pelly states, appears to be much the same as that laid down in the table prepared by the Superintendent of the Gazette Press & the Government regrets that the latter scale should not be introduced to secure uniformity in all districts.

11 The Government concur with the Board of Revenue in their opinion that the Canarese should not be charged with the cost of printing the tamil tables. The Collector complains that the Press types and furniture supplied to him are very old; the Board will institute an inquiry on the subject, and report the result to Government. The Government remark that Mr Murray has not submitted the prescribed statements.

South Arcot

12 The arrangements for the Press establishment of this District has not yet been satisfactorily made. An explanation called for in Extract Minute of Consultation dated 20th November

November 1857, regarding
the unauthorized appro-
priation of the pay of
the Translator to the Express &
Press Office, and for two
new Coomastahs, has
not been furnished as yet,
and till that is submitted, to-
gether with the full Report
called for in Para 2 of
the same order, the sanctions
solicited the Collector regrets
for the alterations already
made in the Moyenzabitahs,
cannot be granted.

13 The Board, in para Sanjivo
65 of their communication,
remark that the increase
in the charges of the Press
may be met from the
Amount of Rupees 900

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saved from certain offices
having been pacaint, and
the remainder reserved as
a Prep. Fund. This is not
the correct course,
no portion of the salaries
once saved on account
of vacancies can
be again drawn from
the Treasury at any sub-
sequent period. The excess
has been sanctioned above,
and the adjustment should
be made on that authority.
No fund can be
formed from the sum
of Rupees 900 above alluded to.

Madura 11th The late acting Col-
lector submitted an Indent
for 30 lbs of Tamil Type, for
50 lbs Flowered English letter,
for

for 30 lbs of great Primer
English, and for 7 cutting
Prisp. From the letter of the
present Acting Collector,
Mr. Hathaway dated 18th
January 1858, submitted
with the Board's Proceed-
ings dated 19th February above
recorded, the Government
learn that that supply,
together with a further
quantity of 100 lbs of Small
Type, Long Primer size, is
urgently required, as the
Type already furnished
is fast wearing away.
The Government authorize
the Superintendent of the
Gazette Press, as a special
case, to transmit the re-
supply required, with the
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exception of the 60 lbs of Sm
-ed letter, and to submit a c
-tingent bill. The supern
-tendent will be furnis
with a copy of Mr Sutter
-land's. The Board will
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result of their enquiry
to the cause of the Jam
type wearing away s
soon.

Malabar

15 The Governme
observe that, at the da
of the Collector's repor
was a surplus of Rup
341 from the receipts
the Press, from this sum
from the surplus that
hereafter accrue, the adv
of two hundred Rupees
under the orders of Gov
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dated 31st October 1854, should
be refunded, if such has
not been already done.

16 Mr Robinson re-
quests permission to pay
some of the printers from
the proceeds the Government
have no objection to the
measure, as already ordered
in the case of Imamul Patan.
He further requests to
be allowed another year's
trial before proposing final arrange-
ments for the Press establish-
ment, and the Government
have no objections to this,
on the condition that no
extra expenditure is
incurred thereby. The Board have very
properly remarked that
the

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the Press is not to be open
to the Public, unless
there is no work of the Govern-
ment to be printed.

17 The Board, in para
7th, request that Prepes or
as may be procured for
Canara and Tinnevelly
&c. In Extract Minutes of
Consultations dated 19th March
1857, the Superintendent of
the Gazette Press was instruct-
ed to purchase two Prepes or
Screw Presses, one
for Canara and Tinnevelly
each, and
how completion of the
receipt of the Presses
ordered for those Districts
The Government considers
that no

therefore to require from the Superintendent a list of the Supplies ordered from time to time for the several Districts, shewing the dates on which they have been actually furnished, and the ordered yet of course. He will have no time in purchasing from time to time Prepare

18 The Board will also require ought to instruct the Collectors to confine their annual Reports on the Presses to their working during the previous year. Separate communications should be addressed on points requiring early consideration in orders. The Board will also observe the same course.

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C. No. 709 in Govt. 8th June 58
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C. No. 1720.
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Reviewing the report on the working of the Collectorate Presses during the Official year 1856-57, and passing orders thereon.