No. 33. Read the following letter from J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.; dated Fort St. George, 14th January 1859, No. 164.

SIR,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to report for the information of Government, that Mr. Campbell having vacated the office of Superintendent of Salt at Madras, the Board have in communication with the Collector appointed Mr. W. E. Underwood, Junior, as his successor. They consider it of great importance that the appointment should be held by a person in whose character the fullest confidence may be placed and whose position renders him independent of all influences which might be prejudicial to the interests of Government or affect the impartial performance of the duties connected with the office.

2. Mr. Underwood will receive only Rupees 200 per mensem until he passes a formal examination in Tamil which, the Board have informed him, he must do within six months. On this understanding he has assumed charge of the office. The same course was adopted in his predecessor Mr. Campbell's case.

No. 34. ORDER THEREON, No. 93; dated 24th January 1859.

It does not appear that Mr. Underwood has passed the examination prescribed in the Notification published at page 395 of the Gazette of 1858. The Governor in Council resolves therefore to call on the Board to explain how they came to make an appointment in direct contravention of that order.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

My dear Bourdillon.

Jenny thinks
Woodfield do not
appoint French; but the
Vacancy remains
before the Pt. He has
Ranked the Writing
Exam.s for Cadets &
Has been appointed
by the Pt. on probation
subject to the conditions

Should this be
[illegible] Board
[illegible] Should
[illegible] Mem. for the Sheet
[illegible] Sole not
[illegible] the schools Carlisle
[illegible] copies &c

I think this might be a
the order but unless by
the gazetteer rules being
inviolate there will be no end
the whole scheme will prove a fa
carefully conceived & most flagrant
abusing & devastating considerations & entirely

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Form copy of remarks by
the Right Honble the Governor

It is unpleasant
for the Board to have
placed Centre this dis-
agreeable position - but
it would be at first
perhaps better to ask
them to explain how
they came to make this
appointment in direct
contravention of the
notification in the Gazette

No. 164.

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Revenue Board Office,
Fort Saint George
14th January 1859.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Secretary.

Copy to Collector of Madras.

Rec. 1859 Depart.
Dy. to Cons. 26 January

No. 54

From

The Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

To.

The Secretary to

Government R.

Dated 17th January 1859.

No. 164

Rec'd 25th Jany 1859 Ch.

Cons: 15th Feb

Reporting that the

Board have nominated Mr

W. E. Underwood Junior to the

Office of Superintendent of

Salt &c. Madras in succession

to Mr Campbell.

No. 93. 24th January 1859

With an order

Advertising to a Notification at Page 395 of the Official Gazette for the year 1858, the Governor in Council is unable to sanction the nomination of Mr W. E. Underwood, as it does not appear that that Gentleman has passed the examination required by that order. The Board will make a nomination in succession to Mr Campbell.

No. 93

It does not appear that Mr. Underwood has passed the examination required by the order in Council of 22nd May 1858 - Gazette 1858 - Page 395 - Section Publication - to which reference is made in the Despatch of the Court of 4th August 1858 - No. 42 - Para 6 - and that Gentleman cannot therefore be appointed to the Office of Superintendent of Salt &c. Madras.

No. 3384

Ch. 19th January 1859 R 21 C 22 R 24