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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, from 6th to 12th August 1859.

No. 60. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 30th July 1859, No. 2955.

Read letter from the Collector of Malabar dated 19th July 1859, No. 178.

(In Con. 26th July 1859, No. 3700.)

The Collector of Malabar states that the Resident of Travancore, at the instance of the Dewan of that State, has applied to him for a temporary relaxation of the duty on paddy and rice exported by Sea from Malabar into Travancore.

* *2 annas per Indian Maund.*

2. The price of grain both in Malabar and Travancore is now unusually high and the Collector deprecates a compliance with the Resident's request, on the ground, the Board infer, that such a measure would withdraw so much grain from his District that prices would rise still higher and the people be subjected to the scarcity now experienced in Travancore.

3. The Travancore authorities have relaxed their own import duty on their land Frontier and grain is in consequence finding its way largely into that state. Probably the same course has been followed in regard to any Sea Customs duty which may be levied by them.

4. As a matter of principle, the Government duty cannot be altered to suit the temporary necessities or interests of other states but the relation of Travancore to the British Government is peculiar, and the Board think it right to lay the Collector's letter before Government. They are not prepared to recommend the concession sought, but if granted, the temporary reduction of the duty should be general and not limited to Malabar alone.

No. 61. ORDER THEREON, 12th August 1859, No. 1082.

Disposed of in the Order of this date, No. 1081.

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

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Dated 30th July
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20 Aug. 2955.

Submitting with the Board's observations a letter from the Collector of Malabar requesting instructions on the subject of the request made by the Resident of Travancore at the instance of the Dewan of that state, for a temporary relaxation of the duty on Paddy and Rice exported by sea from Malabar into Travancore.

No 1082. 12th August 1859

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