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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1160 Press Mis.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, from 27th August to 2d September 1859.

No. 21. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd August 1859, No. 3307.

Read letter from the Collector of Ganjam, dated 25th July 1859, No. 177.

(In Cons. 8th July 1859, No. 3304.)

In Con. 6th Jany. 1859, *No.* 60. Ordered to be submitted to Government, with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation, dated 5th January 1859, R. D., No. 15.

2. In those Proceedings Government saw fit to refuse permission for the employment in Ganjam of some temporary servants to examine cases of suspected concealed cultivation, as had been done in Cuddapah with much success, but in October* 1858, the Board had intimated to the Collector their readiness to recommend his proposal for adoption on receiving some what more detailed information, and it now appears that in anticipation of sanction being accorded by Government, Mr. Forbes at once set the Kárkums to work, and when the orders of Government reached him in January last, the operation had so far advanced that he considered it right to complete in some cases what was already nearly so.

* *4th October* 1858.

3. The result as shewn in his present communication has been that 886 acres of cultivation formerly concealed have now been brought to account at an annual gain to the state of Rupees 1,371 assessment.

4. The expense incurred in the examination was Rupees 345-1-6, for which expenditure the Collector now solicits sanction, and the Board beg to recommend that it be accorded. Mr. Forbes certainly acted without authority, but he had reason to think that his proposal which contemplated and has resulted in gain to the state, would not be rejected, and had it been approved by Government, delay would have lost one working season, and afforded an opportunity for intrigue. His error resulted from an excess of zeal which the Government may well condone.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Sub-Secretary.*

No. 22. ORDER THEREON, 30th August 1859, No. 1160.

In October 1858 the Board of Revenue asked for sanction for the Collector of Ganjam to employ extra "Kárkuns" on ten Rupees a month each, at a total expense of 800 Rupees, to search for concealed cultivation; the ground of the application being that the Kárkuns of the establishment were fully occupied in "taking cognizance of cases brought to light by informers, as well as by their other duties." The Government declined to accede to this request, on the ground that it is the duty of the subordinate Revenue servants to see that there is no concealed cultivation. The Board now report that, on their expressed intention to support his proposal, the Collector had entertained the extra hands without waiting for the order of Government, and they solicit sanction for the pay of the persons so employed, being Rupees 345-1-6, reporting also that 886 acres of concealed cultivation were discovered by their means, bearing an assessment of Rupees 1,371.

2. Before passing an order on this application, the Governor in Council desires to have some further information. He wishes in the first place to know what punishment has been adjudged to the village officers of the villages in which the concealed cultivation was detected. It is obvious that actual inspection in the manner adopted in this instance by Mr. Forbes can be resorted to only rarely; and its effects must be extended beyond the instances of fraud actually discovered, by means of signal and exemplary punishment to the responsible officers.

3. Further, with regard to the regular Kárkuns and other Táluq servants, it is found that the number of the former for five very small Táluqs is nineteen, besides a Peshkár to each Táluq; and the Táluq Establishments generally are strong for their very small size and revenue. Adverting to the reason given by the Collector for employing extra Kárkuns, the Governor in Council wishes to be informed what number of charges of concealed cultivation laid by informers, were under examination by each of the regular Kárkuns during the months October 1858 to January 1859; when preferred; and with what result; also what other duties these servants have, to supersede their proper and special work of verifying the cultivation returns. It should also be explained whether the villages in which the concealed cultivation was detected had previously been visited by the regular Kárkuns.

4. The Collector's statement exhibits the extra Kárkuns as chiefly engaged in "measuring." He will be requested therefore to explain in what method they proceeded; whether the concealment was generally in whole fields, or in excess found on measuring fields entered as cultivated; whether the whole or what portion of the concealment was admitted by the village

servants to be fraud, and generally the reasons which led him to regard it as such; also whether the excess was found by measuring or examining whole villages, or only suspected parts of villages. In the latter case the grounds of the suspicion should be stated in general terms, as well as the number of villages examined.

5. Lastly, the Collector will explain briefly the nature of the land records of his district, the degree of exactness commonly ascribed to them, and the facilities which they afford, or profess to afford, for detecting fraud.

6. Mr. Forbes will understand that minute details are not required in reply to the foregoing questions; and that the Government expect to receive his reply without delay.

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

No. 3711.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 4th October 1858.

In Con 4th October 1858. Read letter from the Collector of Ganjam, dated 9th September 1858.
(Here enter No. 154.)

Under the circumstances stated in this letter, the Board are prepared to recommend that sanction be granted for the temporary entertainment of an extra number of Carkoons for the purpose of bringing to account concealed cultivation in Ganjam; but they would prefer that their salaries should be paid from the public Treasury instead of in the manner proposed by the Collector. They request, therefore, that he will forward for submission to Government a Statement shewing the number and pay of the Carkoons he will require.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Sub Secretary.

To
G. S. FORBES, Esq., *Collector of Ganjam.*

IN CON. 8TH JULY 1859, No. 3304.

From G. S. FORBES, Esq., Collector of GANJAM,

dated Chetterpore, 25th June 1859, No. 177.

It will be in the recollection of the Board that I applied for permission to employ a few extra Carcoons for the purpose of measuring villages in which concealed cultivation was supposed to exist. The Board approved the proposition and recommended it for the sanction of Government; upon which, being anxious to save the working season and feeling confident the sanction of Government would also be accorded as had been the case in Cuddapah, I proceeded to set the Carcoons to work immediately. Shortly after, however, the Government expressed their disinclination to this sort of agency and refused to sanction their employment. It became necessary, therefore, to stop the work which I had too precipitately commenced, but in doing this, I thought it best to conclude in each case the measurements of villages already taken in hand. Since this was brought to a close the Carcoons have been discharged. I have now the honor to submit a Memorandum of the results of this brief experiment and to request that the Board and Government will overlook my having acted in anticipation of orders and will sanction the sum of Rs. 345-1-6, being the amount due to the 13 persons temporarily employed. Their labours have resulted in bringing to account Acres 886, bearing a yearly assessment of Rs. 1,371, so that the cost to Government is more than reimbursed by one year's revenue.

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STATEMENT showing the number of additional Carcoons employed in *measuring* the lands and the salaries due to them.

No.	Names of Talooks.		Names of Carcoons, &c.	Pay per mensem.			Date of appointment.	Date of dismissal.	Period of employment. Months.	Period of employment. Days.	Amount of pay due for the time they were engaged in measuring.		
1	Itchapore.....	1	G. Chelmiah Puntooloo	10	0	0	9th Oct. 1858.	29th Jan. 1859.	3	11	36	12	5
		2	V. Vencatrow...	10	0	0	Do. „	Do. „	3	11	36	12	5
2	Poobacondah.	1	S. Ramamoorty.....	10	0	0	20th do. „	31st do. „	3	12	33	14	0
		2	S. Croostacharlloo....	10	0	0	Do. „	Do. „	3	12	33	14	0
		3	B. Mongalnay who has taken the measurement of a village called Cankah.....	2	0	0	1st Dec. 1858.	26th Dec. 1858	0	26	1	10	10
3	Moherry.....	1	C. Ramanoojooloo.....	10	0	0	5th Nov. 1858.	31st Jan. 1859.	2	5	28	10	8
		2	Bennypondah.	10	0	0	Do. „	Do. „	2	5	28	10	8
4	Goomsur.....	1	R. Vencataramaniah puntooloo.....	10	0	0	3rd Dec. „	27th do. „	1	25	18	1	2
		2	Deenabhondoopanigrahy.....	10	0	0	Do. „	Do. „	1	25	18	1	2
		3	Balabudraputnaik....	10	0	0	Do. „	Do. „	1	25	18	1	2
		4	Govurdanabisoye.....	10	0	0	Do. „	Do. „	1	25	18	1	2
5	Wadadah.....	1	Z. Chenchalrow.....	10	0	0	16th Do. „	1st Feb. 1859.	1	16	15	2	7
		2	B. Ramiah.....	10	0	0	Do. „	Do. „	1	16	15	2	7
								Total...		302	14	10	

CHETTERPORE,
25th June 1859.

* Measurement of this village is incomplete.
† Partly measured by additional Carcoons and partly by fixed establishment.

(Signed) G. S. FORBES,
Collector.

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Period during which they were engaged in completing the measurement of villages which were not finished at the date of their dismissal. Period. Ms.	Dys.	Pay.			Total amount of pay.			Extent of land discovered on measurement. Number of villages measured.	Dry. Extent in acres.	Dry. Shist.	Wet. Extent in acres.	Wet. Shist.	Bagayet. Extent in acres.	Bagayet. Shist.	Total. Extent	Total. Shist.
0	26	9	6		45	15	11	4	166	149	74	169	0	0	240	318
2	2	20	10	4	57	6	9	5	30	37	53	154	0	0	83	191
0	0	0	0	0	33	14	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	8	12	4	10	46	2	10	1	31	62	70	188	0	0	101	250
0	0	0	0	0	1	10	10	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	28	10	8	3	3	0	72	146	0	0	75	146
0	0	0	0	0	28	10	8	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	18	1	2	3	47	30	70	54	0	0	117	84
0	0	0	0	0	18	1	2	1	61	64	23	10	0	0	84	74
0	0	0	0	0	18	1	2	1	63	39	1	0	0	0	64	39
0	0	0	0	0	18	1	2	1	7	10	11	19	0	0	18	29
0	0	0	0	0	15	2	7	*1	4	10	10	25	0	0	14	35
0	0	0	0	0	15	2	7	†1	29	22	60	180	1	3	90	205
4	6	42	2	8	345	1	6	25	441	423	444	945	1	3	886	1,371

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No 1166

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 30th August 1838
Recd the 7th Decr
Reg Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue.

(Recd under 22nd Augt 1838
No 330)

In Continuation of our address
No 1166 from the Collector
of Coimbatore dated 30th
August last Copies of Correspondence
connected with the Encroachment
to which the Revenue Officers
of the Talook of Pollachy
have been subjected by the
Rajah of Coimbatore.

Printed Copy of
1838 No 330

Extract
Fort St George Consn
Public Department
To
The Right Honble the
Board of Revenue.
Dated 25th June 1838
Rec'd 5th July —
Answd 11th Decr 1838
Revd 7th Decr —

Submitting as Note
in the margin the opinion
of the Advocate General
that the Rajah of Coimbatore
has no claim to the
Pollachy Pass.

Extract Para 3 Dated 30th August 1838
Recd 7th Decr

In Obedience to the Orders
contained in your Proceedings
of the 25th June last
I have addressed the Collector
of Coimbatore to call upon
the Rajah to withdraw
the Peons stationed
at the Pollachy Pass
and to refund the
Rupees 1375-4 levied
from the Travellers
passing through it
since the Pass was
taken possession of
by the Company's
Officers.

In October 1838 the
Board of Revenue addressed
the Collector of Coimbatore
to enquire into the
circumstances of the
Rajah's having stationed
Peons at the Pass,
and to report
whether any
Revenue was
collected by them
from Travellers
passing through it.

cultivation; the ground of the application being that the Kurkuns of the establishment were fully occupied in "taking cognizance of cases brought to light by informers, as well as by their other duties." The Government declined to accede to this request, on the ground that it is the duty of the Subordinate Revenue servants to see that there is no concealed cultivation. The Board now report that, on their expressed intention to support his proposal, the Collector had entertained the extra hands without waiting for the order of Government, and they solicit sanction

-cealed cultivation was detected. It—

sanction for the pay of the persons so employed, being Rs 345-1-6, reporting also that 886 acres of concealed cultivation were discovered by their means, bearing an assessment of Rs 1371-2. Before passing an order on this application, the Governor in Council desires to have some further information. He wishes in the first place to know what punishment has been adjudged to the village officers of the ~~[illegible]~~ villages ~~concerned. It~~ in which the con- is obvious that actual inspection in the manner adopted in this instance by Mr Forbes can be resorted to only rarely, and its effects

meet the estimate
beyond the instrument
of French action by
~~this contract~~, by means of
signed and exemplary
Journals transmitted to the
said Assembly officers,
3. Resolved,
That it be, and the
Said Legislature
the several States
the regular Troops
to be furnished
by them respectively,
to the Continental Army,
be forthwith completed,
to the Commander in Chief
to be by him
disposed of as
the Service may require.
4. Resolved, as the opinion
of this Assembly, that
the Legislatures of the
several States
ought to make
provision for
the punctual
payment of
the Interest
of the Loans
which may be
made in their
respective States
on account of
the United States,
and that the
Interest be
regularly paid
at the Loan
Office in each
State.
5. Resolved,
That it be
recommended
to the Legislatures
of the several States
to make provision
for the payment
of the Interest
of the Loans
which may be
made in their
respective States
on account of
the United States,
and that the
Interest be
regularly paid
at the Loan
Office in each
State.

of concealed
cultivation —
laid by experienced
men under an
estimation by
each of the regular
Returns during
the months October
1858 & January 1859;
when prepared,
and with the exact
results; also what
other duties these
servants have to do;
to reveal their
proper & special
work

our knowledge the
cultivation returned as
should also be explained
whether the villagers are
aware that concealed
cultivation pays obtained
fixed pecuniary payments
and by the regular Patwa-
-ries.—
4. The Collectors state
how all cultivation the entire
Returns are obtained, and
if any part is ascertained by
the village Accountants
whether the
correctness of such Papers
is verified by personal
or other Inquiry and
whether they are
retained

whether the whole or
a part thereof shall be con-
-sidered and reconsidered
by the Village Trustees
before passed, and Gene-
-rally, the reasons which
shall have to regard it-
-self, when the
Collector must proceed
by proceedings to con-
-demnation before Jus-
-tices, or only the Trustees
of the Village. In the
latter case the Trustees
of the Surplus money shall
be stated and Signed
them respectively by the
majority of Village
Trustees
5.— Lastly the Collec-
-tor shall keep fully
the records of the Board
Records of this District

the degree of correctness
commonly received to
them, and the probabilities
which they afford for
supplying to a proposed plan
selected by proper
&c. &c. &c. Reference should
accordingly be had, accord-
-ingly to the nature of the
Report and as help to the
Surveying Practitioner,
or at least the general con-
-tent of the Surveyors duties
to be found in the
helpful outline below.

5 Copies
To the Boards of Pursuers Dist. 31st

Cons: 11 January 59 ass 772 -

Revenue 1859 Lefter.
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Of 30th August 1859.

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Calling for explanation
on points connected with
Concealed Cultivation -

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26th Aug 1859