

Revenue Consultations.

N^o. 611

Dated 30th April to 3rd May 1857

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
from 30th April to 3d May 1859.*

No. 41. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 15th April 1859, No. 1341.

Read letter from the Acting Collector of Salem, dated 7th April 1859, No. 65. *copy attached*
(In Consultation 11th April 1859, No. 1597.)

The order of the Board to which Mr. Hathaway
In Con. 4th April 1859, No. 1422. alludes has been approved by Government in Extract
Minutes Consultation, 30th ultimo, No. 431, and it is
therefore only necessary to observe that had Mr. Hathaway merely used his influence to induce
the inhabitants to change the day for holding a fair in any individual place where its occurrence
on a Sunday caused inconvenience, the Board would have seen no cause to interfere. But Mr.
Hathaway did more than this. He issued a peremptory and general order to prohibit the hold-
ing of Village Markets on Sunday, and thus took a step which was both unauthorized and ob-
jectionable.

2. In accordance with Mr. Hathaway's wish, a copy of his explanatory letter, accompanied
by these Proceedings, will be laid before Government.

(A true Extract.)

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

No. 42. ORDER THEREON, 3d May 1859, No. 611.

Ordered that the foregoing Extract be recorded.

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

IN CON. 11TH APRIL 1859, No. 1597.
From A. HATHAWAY, Esq., Acting Collector of SALEM,
dated Oosoor, 7th April 1859, No. 65.

With reference to an Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated the 17th ultimo, No. 927, I have the honor to submit, for the consideration of the Board, the following remarks :—

2. In several of the Villages in the Talook of Ahtoor, there is a Christian proportion, with a tendency to increase ; and, being satisfied that the people, when allowed six days to select from, would in no wise object to a measure which was beneficial to others, I gave the notice animadverted upon in the above Extract.

3. In large towns, such as Kistnagherry and Darampoory, the traffic of a market on Sunday, is an annoyance to the Overseers and their families, and to Europeans who may be halting at the Bungalows.

4. The natives are well aware, that, practically as well as professedly, we abstain from unnecessary work on Sunday, and the Government have lately recognized this principle, by officially discountenancing the carrying on of public business in the Talook Cutcheries, and by prohibiting the execution of public works on that day.

5. Where relief can be given to one portion of the community, (even though numerically small), without materially affecting the interests or prejudices of the remainder, I conceive it should be done.

6. I am happy to be able to add, that the results, apprehended in para 3 of the above Proceedings, have not ensued.

7. From returns made by eleven Tahsildars, it appears that in only one instance, was any objection raised ; and in this case, the wishes of the merchants were acquiesced in by me, and they were allowed to retain the usual day.

8. In a second instance, there was a remark made, that the people were quite content ; but that the peons and Cutcherry servants, felt it a convenience to be able to go to market, on a day when no official work was done.

9. As the instructions have already been acted up to, without dissatisfaction, (save in the instance alluded to above), it would create confusion, were I to reverse existing arrangements, but in case of any objection being hereafter raised the previous practice will be reverted to.

10. The number of Villages, in which a change has been effected with the consent of the parties concerned is thirteen. In the two Talooks of Oosoor and Namcul, no markets were held on Sunday.

11. I have the honor in conclusion to request, that a copy of this letter may be submitted to the Government.

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