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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No.	344	Press ~~Mis.~~
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Dated	3 — 3 —	1860.

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No. 38. Read the following letter from W. GREY, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Fort William, 18th February 1860, No. 344.

I am directed by the President in Council to state that a Bill was brought into the Legislative Council to-day, for the purpose of modifying the customs duties on several articles imported into and exported from India by sea.

2. The alterations made by the Bill are as follows:

I. *Import duties.*—All 20 per cent. duties are reduced to 10 per cent. except the duty on tobacco.

Cotton thread, twist and yearn are raised to 10 per cent., but in the case of existing contracts, satisfactorily proved for goods now actually at sea, the goods are to be admitted at 5 per cent.

The duty on tobacco is to be eight annas a seer on unmanufactured tobacco and one Rupee a seer on manufactured tobacco.

II. *Export duties.*—The duty on saltpetre is to be two Rupees a maund.

III. The following articles are to be added to the free lists.

Imports.—Wool; flax; hemp; jute; maps; prints and works of art; hides.

Exports.— Wool; flax; hemp; jute; hides; tea; coffee.

3. I am directed to request that all Collectors of Customs under the Government of Madras may be directed to levy customs duties in accordance with the above alterations on and after Monday the 20th instant.

No. 39. ORDER THEREON, 3rd March 1860, No. 344.

Ordered to be recorded, the necessary instructions having been issued under date the 20th February 1860 No. 264.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

20th Feb. 1860 No. 106-107

Revenue 1860 Dept.
Pro. of Govt. 10th March
No. 431

From the Secretary to the
Govt. of India –

Dated 18th } February 1860.
Rec'd. 28th }
Further Cons: 20th March 60 } 95-96.

Making certain
alterations in the
Customs Duties and
directing the levy
of Duties accordingly
from the 23d Instant.

No. 3844 & 39

No. 3444.

Ordered to be recorded,
the necessary instructions having
been issued under date the 20th
February 1860 No. 264.

Fort St. Geo.
3d March 1860.

No. 344. 3d March
With an order