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No. 417. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th July 1861, No. 3,688:—

Read the following letter from E. G. R. FANE, Esq., Collector of Vizagapatam, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Chepauk, dated 19th June 1861, No. 702.

SIR,

1. Referring to the Board's Circular letter of the 3rd May 1861, I have the honor to report the result of the sales of the Ábkári farms of this District.

2. Previous to the receipt of the Board's orders, I had advertised that the sale would take place on the 16th May. The Board's revised Notification reached me on 10th idem, and in obedience to the instructions therewith received, I cancelled my former Advertisement, and gave notice that the sale would take place on the 25th May. Accordingly on that date the sale commenced, but on putting up the Arrack farms of the whole District in one lot as had been done in former years, no bids were made. The Renters of last year, though present, declined to bid for the whole, but expressed their willingness to bid for certain portions if put up in convenient lots, as other parties also professed a willingness to bid for portions. I divided the District into 10 lots as shown in the Statement herewith submitted. The total amount at which the Arrack farm was knocked down is Rupees 49,800, or Rupees 650 in excess of the annual amount of the last rent.

3. The Toddy farms were put up according to the usual lots, and fetched in the aggregate Rupees 18,153-8-0, or Rupees 184-4-0 beyond the former rent.

4. It will be observed that Lots Nos. 6 and 8 of the Arrack farms, and Lot No. 1 of the Toddy farms were knocked down for sums below the upset price. This was inevitable as no one would come forward to bid at the upset price. The upset prices on the respective lots into which the Arrack farm was divided, were fixed from information given by the late Renters; their information may not have been correct, but the result of dividing the District being satisfactory, I trust the Board will confirm the sale.

5. The sale of both Arrack and Toddy farms was for a term of five years, or from Faslis 1271 to 1275 inclusive.

6. There would no doubt have been a considerable sum more offered for the Ábkári farms had it not been intimated that no sale of Arrack would be allowed after sunset. According to the former rule, sales took place until 8 P.M. The Renters beg a re-consideration of this point, and solicit that the old rule be reverted to.

7. The deposit prescribed by Clause 6th has almost all been received.

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1. Ordered to be submitted for the information of Government, to whom a general statement of the results of the sale of the Ábkári farms will be submitted, as soon as the District returns are complete.

2. The Collector will be informed that the Board's confirmation of these outright sales is not necessary. The rule regarding the closing of the Shops at sunset was deliberately resolved on, and cannot now be modified. No real objection has been shown to it, and a change would materially alter the conditions on which the farm was sold.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 418. ORDER THEREON, 31st July 1861, No. 1,514.

Ordered to be recorded.

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

No. 3,688.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 12th July 1861.

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1. Referring to the Board's Circular letter of the 3rd May 1861, I have the honor to report the result of the sales of the Abkari farms of this District.

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5. The sale of both Arrack and Toddy farms was for a term of five years, or from Faslis 1271 to 1275 inclusive.

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ENCLOSURE No. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Statement showing the result of the sale of the Abkari farms of the District of Vizagapatam for five years, or from Faslis 1271 to 1275 inclusive.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.,
with original Enclosure.

Copy to E. G. R. Fane, Esq., Collector of Vizagapatam.

Exd. J. Wright.

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Enclosure

Submitting a letter from the Collector of Tipperah stating the reasons of certain persons of that District

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