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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

The following Papers are ordered to be recorded. 30th November 1861, No. 2,245.

Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Department, dated 6th June 1861, No. 802.

Communicating letter from the Postmaster General explaining his connections with the Superintendent of Stamps and the Collector with regard to the sale of Stamps.

Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial Department, dated 11th September 1861, No. 459.

Communicating a letter from the Government of India, in reply to one from Bombay, authorizing the Commissioners of Revenue and Police of the latter Presidency to grant privilege leave to the full extent to all Covenanted and Uncovenanted Officers subordinate to them.

Letter from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 13th September 1861, No. 4,993.

Replying to the Proceedings of Government drawing the Board's attention to the complaints made in the public prints regarding the rules for the impressing of Stamps.

Letter from C. Pelly, Esq., Member of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th October 1861, No. 1,068.

Informing that until the Establishments for the Quit-rent and Ábkári Departments of Madras are sanctioned the Statement now called for will not be complete.

Letter from the Acting Accountant General, dated 18th October 1861, No. 184.

Reports that the necessary instructions have been issued to the Collector of Cuddapah to pay the salary of the additional Establishment for the Conservancy of the Cuddapah jungles from 15th April last.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th October 1861, No. 5,757.

Submitting for information a letter from the Collector of Salem, reporting that O. S. No. 13 of 1859 has been withdrawn by the plaintiff, who has agreed to pay the costs incurred by the Government.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th October 1861, No. 5,759.

Submitting for information a letter from the Collector of Salem, reporting that O. S. No. 7 of 1859, has been struck off the file of the Principal Sudder Amin's Court, and that the costs incurred by Government will be recovered from the plaintiff.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th October 1861, No. 5,760.

Submitting for information a letter from the Collector of Salem, reporting that O. S. No. 3 of 1860, has been withdrawn by plaintiff, and that he has agreed to pay the costs incurred by Government in the above suit.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd October 1861, No. 5,812.

Stating that the Board do not doubt that arrangements have been made in the Districts for carrying out the year's assessment of Income Tax under Act XXI of 1861.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd October 1861, No. 5,838.

Submitting Telegram from the Collector of Kistna District, intimating that he is prepared to carry out Act XXI of 1861.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 25th October 1861, No. 5,875

Communicating to certain Collectors the remarks of Government passed on the annual report on the management of the estates under the charge of the Court of Wards during Fasli 1269.

Endorsement of the Chief Engineer, dated 4th November 1861, No. 6,313.

Submits for information a letter from the District Engineer of Coimbatore, reporting that he has not yet been able to devise an inexpensive plan for improving the roads to the Neilgherry Sholas.

Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Department, dated 5th November 1861, No. 1,488.

Communicating for observance a letter from the Government of India, relative to the communications addressed to that Government in the Foreign Department being classed under one of the heads specified.

Letter from the Controller of Military Finance, dated 5th November 1861, G.

Reports that no cash requirement will be needed for the purchase of certain lands for the Remount Depôt, as the savings effected in the Depôt will more than suffice for the purpose.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 6th November 1861, No. 6,091.

Submitting letter from the Collector of Tanjore reporting on the state of the season.

Letter from the Director of Revenue Settlement, dated 8th November 1861, No. 1,626.

Intimating that the cost of the paper for demarcation sketches can be met out of the unexpended portions of sums allotted to other items in the Budget estimate for the Department.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th November 1861, No. 6,220.

Submitting for information a letter from the Collector of Kistna reporting on the state of the season.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from R. H. WILLIAMSON, Esq., Postmaster General; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Public Department, Fort Saint George, dated 25th May 1861, No. 390.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Order of Government, under date the 10th instant, No. 665, forwarding Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 2,118, dated 24th ultimo, and to state for the information of His Excellency the Governor in Council, that the issue of Postage Stamps at the Office of the Superintendent of Stamps and their sale at the different General Depôts, are no way controlled by the Postmaster General. The accounts of the Superintendent are simply embodied in the accounts of my Office, but the management of the Office itself is left in the hands of the Superintendent. The retail of Stamps at the Post Office window is directly under the control of the Postmaster General who is always careful to see that the Postmaster has on hand a supply equal to the local demand.

Messrs. Pharoah and Co.'s complaint, it will be observed, does not refer to any deficiency of Postage Stamps at the Post Office, but to inability to procure them from the General Depôt at the Collector's Cutcherry, over which the Postmaster General has no control and with which he is no way authorized to interfere.

I beg to state that on all occasions when report has been made to me of difficulty in procuring Stamps at a General Depôt, I have brought the case to the notice of the Superintendent of Stamps.

ORDER THEREON, 6th June 1861, No. 802.

Communicated to the Revenue Department, in reference to the Order in that Department, 3rd ultimo, No. 985.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
„ Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

No 1993

From

W. Wadleston, Esqre
Secretary to the Board of Revenue

To

J. D. Sim, Esqre,
Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department.

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to reply to the Proceedings of Government dated 11th September 1861, No. 1808, R. D. drawing the Board's attention to the complaints which have lately appeared in the public prints regarding the rules for the impressing of stamps.

2. The complaints in question arise in a great measure, the Board think, from a want of acquaintance with the provisions of the law, to which provisions the Board in a Notice published

Rec'd 18th Nov 1861 / Read 20th Nov 1861 / Ansd 21st Nov 1861

From the Secretary to the Board of Revenue
To the Secretary to Government
Dated 11th September 1861
Rec'd 12th — 1861

No. 1639

Communicating a Letter from the Govt of India in reply to one from Bengal authorising the Board of Revenue to publish Observations on the Stamp Act

2 enclosures 3/4.

Recorded.

published in the Gazette of the 11th instant, have drawn attention. The stamping of private documents, except under penalty, is no where contemplated by the Law; and the sale of stamped papers, other than those especially excepted by a licensed vendor without the Endorsement of the date of sale, the name of the purchaser, and his own ordinary signature, is punishable by fine. The Board Consider that this last requirement is fatal to the proposal to stamp perfectly blank paper for private individuals; and that, in fact, in stamping blank forms, or partially complete documents, they are not strictly maintaining the requirements of the Law. It is within their knowledge that stamped documents produced in a Mofussil Court in the neighbourhood of the Presidency, have been rejected as not

bearing the Endorsement prescribed by Law.

3. The Board have already on more than one occasion requested the Chamber of Commerce to suggest any improvement in the size or quality of the papers supplied to the Vendors to meet the Convenience of the public, and have directed the Superintendent of Stamps, in Communication with the Chamber, to arrange this points accordingly. They have likewise instructed him to supply the vendors with stamped forms of Bills of Lading, Charter-Parties, and such other documents as bear an unvarying stamp, and can with advantage be supplied in this form for sale. They have also requested the Chamber to inform them if the number of vendors, and their positions in the Town are sufficient and Convenient, and have been informed, in reply,

reply, that no addition or change was desired by the European Mercantile Community.

4. The Board, however, consider that an increase to the number of vendors is desirable for the convenience of the public at large, and will immediately act on the Government instructions on this point. They are however, of opinion that the employment of Government vendors on fixed salaries, as at present, is not the best mode of meeting the requirements of the public in this matter; and that a system of liberal discount to licensed vendors on purchases, or commission on sales, would be infinitely simpler and more effective.

5. The Rules to which Exception has been taken, were submitted to Government with the Board's Proceedings dated 8th August 1861, No 4269, and are, in the Board's opinion, as simple as is consistent with the system approved by Government in their Proceedings of 4th October 1860, No 1782, for the impression of the value stamp at the Mint, and the Counter stamp at the Superintendent's Office.

6. The Counterstamp is not required by the Law; and if it is thought that it may be dispensed with, no doubt the arrangements may be somewhat simplified.

7. In regard to the amount of the Fee proposed to be charged for the transmission of private documents to the Mint out of the regular daily Course, the Board have only to remark as they have already pointed out to the Chamber, that valuable documents cannot be entrusted to an ordinary

Cooly

Dr Everett Milton

No October 1861

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Lieut Governor -

Sir,

With reference to para 2 of the Order of Government No 5 - 1st October No 1924, calling for a tabular statement of the cases of the several Establishments, I have the honor to inform your Honor, that the Establishments in the Civil and Military Departments of the State, mentioned in the Statement, are sanctioned, for which I now called for with such Establishments, and therefore I request permission to submit the same after the receipt of sanction on the proposition to the revision of the Establishments submitted on the 29th July last No 1024 as stated.

No 1844 in Circulation

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

P

Secy to Govt

Chennai

R. 4th Oct 1861 No 62-63
R 10 Nov 1861 - 270-271
R 11th Nov 1861 - 123.
18-24th Feb 1862 - 345 & 346

Revenue 1861 Despatch
No (3) Govt from Madras
Office
Sent
Chief Secretary to the
Govt of Fort St George
Office Secretary to
Govt

Dated 13th
Despatch
Rec'd 14th

No 2113

Referring to the Rule of Court
relating the Boards & Establishments
the Complaints made in the
Public Works Department
Salem for the inspecting the
of Roads.

Madras 14th Oct 1861

Recorded

Sent

Lieut Gen Peter Rowlett
Chief Engineer Salem

Sir - I am desired to acquaint you that the Govt does not think it necessary to call for the Establishments of the Public Works Department Salem for the inspecting the Roads.

I am &c

Secy to Govt

Budget and Finance Department

Fort Saint George
Accountant Generals Office
18th October 1861.

No. 1811.

From,

F. Lushington Esquire
Acting Accountant General

To,

J. D. Sim Esquire
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

Sir,

1. With reference to the order of Government dated the 15th Instant etc. 1995, I have the honor to report that the necessary instructions have been issued to the Collector of Cuddapah to pay the Salary of the additional Establishment for the Conservancy of the Cuddapah jungles, from the 15th April last, as an advance to be adjusted hereafter.

2. I beg to remark that no provision appears to have been made in the above account, in the Supplemental Estimate of the Conservator of Forests, which is dated the 18th August last No. 5, I have however made the necessary provision therein, but I must beg that the Government will abstain from passing any further orders for making Supplemental provisions, as the Estimate has, under their orders, been

(4) Re. 1861 Oct. 18
Budget and Finance Department
No. 2426
From
C. Pelly Esqre
Member of the Bd of Revenue.
To
J. D. Sim Esqre
Secretary to Govt
Dated 14th October 1861
Rd 18th Do
Entd 19th Do
No. 1065.
Informing that
until the Establish-
ments for the Cud-
dapah and Nellore
Dpts of Forests
are sanctioned the Sala-
ries of the Establish-
ments cannot
be paid.
RECORDED.

5th Collr of Nellore
Cuddapah do
Conservator of Forests

4 inclosures.

26th Collr of Salem

been closed. It will be impossible, otherwise for this Department to devote that attention which is so imperatively necessary to the preparation of the Annual Statement for 1860-61 now nearly due, and the Regular Estimate for 1861-62 and the Budget for 1862-63, all of which must be completed and submitted within the next 3 months, followed by the Statement, of Cash Requirements for the Ensuing Year.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obed.t Servant

F. Huntington
Acting Accountant General

Compt.r of the Treas.y

No. 5,757.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 19th October 1861.

Read the following letter from H. A. BRETT, Esq., Collector of Salem, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Chepauk, dated 11th October 1861, No. 189:—

With reference to the Board's Proceedings, dated the 23rd December 1859, forwarding an Extract from the Minutes of Consultation of the 22nd idem, sanctioning the defence at the public cost of Original Suit No. 13 of 1859, instituted by Plaintiff Muttu Gounden, in the Subordinate Court at Salem, I have the honor to state for the information of the Board that the Suit in question has been withdrawn by the Plaintiff, who has agreed to pay the costs incurred by the Government.

Ordered to be submitted for the information of Government.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

W. Hudleston

Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy H. A. Brett, Esq., Collector of Salem.

Exd. J. Wright,

No. 5,759.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 19th October 1861.

Read the following letter from H. A. BRETT, Esq., Collector of Salem, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Chepauk, dated 11th October 1861, No. 188:—

1. With reference to the Board's Proceedings, dated the 9th August 1859, No. 3,083, forwarding an Extract from the Minutes of Consultation of the 6th idem, sanctioning the defence at the public cost of Original Suit No. 7 of 1859, instituted by the Plaintiff, Narnyenpadayach, in the Sub Court at Salem, I have the honor to state for the information of the Board that the Suit in question has been struck off the file of the Principal Sudder Amin's Court, under Section 110 of Act VIII of 1859.

2. The costs incurred by the Government in the above Suit will be recovered from the Plaintiff.

Ordered to be submitted for the information of Government.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to H. A. Brett, Esq., Collector of Salem.

Exd. J. Wright.

Received 22 December 1859 &c 22-23 —

Revenue 1861 Department.

Board's Proceedings for 19 November

No. 2549

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 19th October 1861.

Despatched. 28 — —

Received. 29 — —

No. 5,757.

Submitting for information a letter from the Collector of Salem reporting that O. S. No 13 of 1859 has been withdrawn by the plaintiff, who has agreed to pay the costs incurred by the Government.

6 Encl Nos 3145

W. W.

RECORDED.

c31 Cuddalore Roads

Revenue Department

No. 5812

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 22nd October 1861.

Read Proceedings of the
Madras Government & Revenue Department.
ment dated 21st October 1861 No. 2020.
(Nos. 22nd October 1861 No. 6069)

The Board have no reason
whatever to doubt that every necessary
arrangement for carrying out the provis
ions of Income Tax under Act
21 of 1861 has been fully made in the
Salem District as well as in all other
Districts. The Collectors were instructed
to have the requisite forms prepared
some time back, and as the Income Act
will greatly lessen the work connected
had been made some time before
the Notification of the Government of
Sirdar received Madras.

The following Telegram will
however be despatched to the Collectors

15

14th May 1861 Nos 86-87.

8 in No 314.

c 31st Oct. R 4th Nov.

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Revenue 1861 Department.
Pro: of Govt for November.

No: 2545

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 19th *October* 1861.
Despatched. 29/10 "
Received. 29 "

No. 5,760.

Submitting for information a letter from the Collector of Salem, reporting that O. S. No 3 of 1860 has been withdrawn by Plaintiff, and that he has agreed to pay the costs incurred by Government in the above Suit.

RECORDED.

Collector of the Kistna District.

"Tuesday. Are you fully prepared to
"carry out the years assessment of Income
"tax under the New Act 21 of 1869."

(A true Extract)

W Walsh
Sub Secretary

To

J. D. Sim Esq
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

Jos Thornhill
Copd. by C. Govindoo

Revenue Department

No. 5838.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 23d October 1861.

Read the following Telegram.

No. 172

From,
The Collector of Masulipatam

To,
The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.
Madras.

Wednesday - Quite prepared to carry out Act 21 of 1861. Notification was published on the 16th of October - 23-14-15-

23d October 1861.

Ordered to be submitted for the information of Government, with reference to their Proceedings dated 4th October 1861 No. 1917 - R.D.

(A true Copy & Extract)

Secretary

To,
J. D. Sim Esqre
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

Rd. 1878.
C. Permaul Pillay

Rd. 21st October 1861 No. 5838-50

C.No. 8502

Rd. 21st October 1861 Despatch from Collector of Masulipatam

No. 172

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 23d October 1861

Read 23-10-61

Letter 23-10-61

Rec. 24-10-61

No. 5812

Madras Office
Revenue Sale
Despatch

Certified that the Board do not think that any enactment have been made in the district for carrying out the year's assessment of Income Tax under Act 21 of 1861.

RECORDED.

Asst. Secy.

No. 5,875.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 25th October 1861.

Read the following :—

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from the Acting Sub Secretary to the Court of Wards :—

Submitting, in accordance with instructions in paragraph 6 of Extract from Minutes of Consultation, dated 4th August 1855, No. 931, the annual report on the management of the Estates under the charge of the Court of Wards during Fasli 1269. } (Here enter 25th March 1861, No. 1,574.)

ORDER THEREON, 20th September 1861, No. 1,843.

1. In these Proceedings the Court of Wards report on the Estates, twenty in number, under their management during 1269 (1859-60).

2. Since the date of last report three Estates had been made over to their proprietors who had come of age, and two others had been newly brought under the guardianship of the Court.

3. Statement No. 1, showing the number of villages in the several Estates, and other particulars, has not been drawn up as carefully as might be, especially in columns 8, 9 and 10. The *age* of the Minors is not always given, and where it is, in several instances it is wrong, if the similar statement received with the report of 1268 is to be depended upon. The same remark applies more or less to the other two columns named.

	1268	1269
	Rs.	Rs.
1. Parla Kimedi	1,77,726	1,82,021
2. Kassimkotta and Nellupaka	52,176	32,614
3. Pittapur	3,76,585	3,90,491
4. Kirlampudi	40,732	41,046
5. Lakavaram	7,558	8,485
6. Ayakoodi }	24,814	25,741
7. Rettiambadi }		
Total	6,79,591	7,00,398
Net increase	....	20,807

4. The Government observe with satisfaction from Statement 2 that in seven of the Estates containing Ryotwary villages there is a net increase of revenue as compared with Fasli 1268 of Rupees 20,807 ; in one only (Uttakaudu) there is a small decrease of Rupees 152. Royampet, the ninth Estate containing lands under this tenure, came under management only in the year under review.

5. The large balances in some of the Estates at the close of the Fasli are not creditable. Even after subsequent collections and remissions there remained a sum of 1,07,015 to be collected out of a demand of 11,00,000 (in round numbers). The Districts marginally noted appear the most behindhand.

1. Tanjore.
2. Godavery.
3. Madras.
4. Ganjam.
5. Tinnevelly.

6. The following Statement exhibits the charges for those Estates which were under the Court's guardianship both in 1268 and 1269 :—

Names of Estates.

Nature of charge.	Parla Kimedi.		Barwah.		Kassimkotta and Mellupaka.		Chamuda.		Pittapur.		Kirlampudi.		Lakavaram.		Uttakaudu.	
	1268	1269	1268	1269	1268	1269	1268	1269	1268	1260	1268	1269	1268	1269	1268	1269
1. Establishment and Sadirwarid...	34,475	35,066	218	517	3,756	3,563	...	63	18,813	19,177	2,381	2,259	140	706	111	126
2. Maramut.....	73,797	1,09,670	...	722	4,504	2,491	...	...	24,895	24,705	1,852	2,487	...	...	...	...
3. Peshkash.....	82,529	67,055	11,238	7,800	33,510	33,510	5,000	5,000	2,72,157	2,67,553	26,749	23,306	2,179	5,494	1,750	1,750
4. Government Commission....	.....	864	...	187	...	670	...	109	.....	5,215	...	706	...	35	...	72
5. Maintenance and Education...	31,140	32,400	...	...	2,130	2,920	363	333	17,321	16,789	4,993	4,406	...	...	1,020	1,020
6. Allowance for other members of the family...	4,608	4,254	...	...	1,014	966	522	479	9,400	9,400	...	...	...	...	...	...
7. Payment of debts... ...	.....	.....	...	1,831	...	...	1,364	1,426	.....	.....	11,562	10,303	...	...	...	...
8. Miscellaneous disbursements...	5,744	19,215	240	1,685	2,953	759	109	70	19,487	18,526	4,947	2,956	...	32	1,000	...
	2,32,293	2,68,524	11,696	12,742	47,867	44,888	7,358	7,480	3,02,073	3,61,365	52,484	46,423	2,319	6,267	3,881	2,968

Names of Estates—Continued.

Nature of charge.	Eroongadukotta and Satur.		Utkur.		Kabistallum.		Gundrakotta.		Paliavanam.		Ayakoodi and Rettiambadi.		Munnarkotta.		Saptur.	
	1268	1269	1268	1269	1268	1269	1268	1269	1268	1269	1268	1269	1268	1269	1268	1269
1. Establishment and Sadirwarid ...	381	277	260	221	2,803	2,132	2,144	2,213	234	80	1,808	1,813	883	996	1,064	1,270
2. Maramnt	...	76	238	8	108	354	1,082	1,021	535	303	743	1,071	851	1,220	2,085	866
3. Peshkash	406	327	2,219	2,219	24,276	21,027	6,933	7,234	3,830	3,767	28,764	28,764	5,072	5,072	8,813	8,813
4. Government Commission...	...	53	...	59	...	516	...	132	...	121	...	652	...	183	...	497
5. Maintenance and Education... ...	570	600	856	788	2,729	2,988	4,215	2,925	240	418	1,800	1,609	281	454	265	285
6. Allowance for other members of the family.....	...	...	...	...	1,481	1,526	85	110	297	624	1,495	1,645	789	674	799	1,038
7. Payment of debts.....	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	3,373	3,373	...	...	...	...	2,506	2,500
8. Miscellaneous disbursements.....	...	1,198	199	136	6,440	8,342	375	344	296	1	1,238	607	450	2,863	18,131	11,121
	1,357	2,531	3,772	3,431	37,837	36,885	14,834	13,979	8,805	8,687	35,848	36,161	8,326	11,462	33,663	26,390

On this some remarks appear to be called for.

* Parla Kimedi.
Barwah.
Pittapur.
Kirlampudi.
Eroongadukotta and Sattur.
Kabistallum.
Paliavanam.

† Lakavaram.
Gundrakottah.

7. *Peshkash.*—In seven only of the Estates named in this Statement does the Peshkash of the year under review correspond with that of 1268. In some* of the remaining ones the expenditure under this head is smaller (in one or two instances considerably so), and in others† larger than in 1268. Explanation should have been afforded regarding this discrepancy.

8. *Government Commission.*—No entry of this kind is made in the Statement No. 5 submitted with the report for 1268. It is understood, however, that this "commission" was included under the head "Miscellaneous disbursements" for that year. The Government request information on the manner in which this commission is calculated. They observe that it varies very much, and seems to bear no fixed proportion to the collections.

9. *Maintenance and Education.*—The disbursements under this head vary somewhat from last year, but not sufficiently to require explanation. The Governor in Council observes, however, that in Barwah and Lakavaram no expenditure on this account was incurred either in 1268 or 1269. The owner of the former Estate is an infant it is observed, but the Lakavaram Minor is between eleven and twelve.

1. Parla Kimedi	19,215
2. Barwah	1,685
3. Pittapur	18,526
4. Kirlampudi	2,956
5. Kabistallum	8,342
6. Munnarkotta	2,863
7. Saptur	11,121

10. *Miscellaneous disbursements.*—In the Estates noted marginally the expenditure on this account has been considerable, and seems to deserve some explanation. In the 1st, 2nd, 5th, and 6th of the Estates referred to, it far exceeds the expenditure under the same head for last year. For some of the others it is less.

11. There was a net increase in the balance to the credit of the Estates at the end of 1269, over that remaining at the expiration of 1268, of nearly a lac and a half of Rupees. The greater proportion of the balance in question is invested in Company's paper.

* 1268	9,33,267
1269	9,30,078
	3,189

12. The demand in the several Estates was, it is observed, less by 3,000 Rupees* in 1268, while the collections were better in 1269 by 12,000 Rupees and odd.

13. The report on the education of the Wards is on the whole satisfactory.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

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1. Ordered to be communicated to the Collectors concerned, and that their attention be called to the remarks of Government contained in paragraph 5.

2. In paragraph 7 Government observe that the expenditure under the head of Peshkash in some of the Estates does not correspond with that of Fasli 1268. This is owing to the full amount of Peshkash due for each year not having been paid within the Fasli. In some Estates the Peshkash was paid including the previous years' arrears, and in others only a portion was paid within the Fasli, leaving the remainder to be paid in the following one.

3. In reference to paragraph 8 of the Order, it is necessary to explain for the information of Government that the commission for management is calculated at 1½ per cent. on the net collections, after deducting all charges except the Government Pehkash,* in accordance with the order of Government, dated 3rd March 1820.

* *Vide* Board's Circular Order, dated 5th May 1836, volume 1st, page 206.

4. The result of a calculation at this rate on the net collections of Fasli 1268 does not correspond, however, with the amount entered in the Statement; the Collectors concerned, therefore, will be good enough to explain at the foot of their Statement for Fasli 1270 the mode in which the commission entered in it has been calculated, in order that the subject may be noticed in the Board's General Report to Government for that Fasli. The Collectors who may have already sent in their Reports, will submit a separate Memorandum furnishing this information.

(A true Extract.)

Sub-Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.
„ G. S. Forbes, Esq., Collector of Ganjam.
„ E. G. R. Fane, Esq., Collector of Vizagapatam.
„ A. Purvis, Esq., Collector of the Godavery District.
„ G. Thornhill, Esq., Acting Collector of the Kistna District.
„ B. Cunliffe, Esq., Collector of Madras.
„ W. M. Cadell, Esq., Collector of Tanjore.
„ V. H. Levinge, Esq., Collector of Madura.
„ J. Silver, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly.

Exd. J. Wright.

(5)

Rev 1861 Department.

Pro: of Govt for 30th

No. 2619

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated 25th *October* 1861.
Despatched. 6th Nov
Received. 7 Nov

No. 5,875.

Communicating to certain Collectors the remarks of Government passed on the annual report on the management of the estates under the charge of the Court of Wards during Fusli 1,269.

RECORDED.

in Communication with Collector
and offg Conservator of Forests to Carry
out the order of Government.

2 I sent reminder to Collector upon receipt of Chief Engineer's above reminder.

3 The Collector in a letter dated 15th October received this day tells me he has not yet decided the best mode of Carrying out the object desired and hence I am unable to obey the Call made in a Second reminder No. 5889 dated 14th October 1861 received this day.—

I have the honorable
Sir
Your Most Obed Servt
Lieut Gaadan Captain
District Engineer

No. 6813.

orig letter.

Submitted for the information of Government, with reference to their Proceedings Nos. 2179 and 1598, dated 19th October 1860 and 9th August 1861, and Memoranda Nos. 3145, and 389, dated 14th September and 10th October 1861.

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Central Office of P. Works
Chepauk 4th November 1861

W. B Colonel
Dy. Chief Engr. & Co.

Lieut. Colonel
Chief Engineer D. P. W.

To,
J. D. Sim Esquire
Secretary to Government P. W. D.
Fort Saint George

Comp'd D.P.W.D.

No. 6813
Dated 4th October 1861
Rec'd 8th Do.

From
The Chief Engineer
To the Government
Fort St. George

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From
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To the Government
Fort St. George

No. 2609/61
Acknowledging the receipt of the above and stating that a sum of Rupees one lakh of Rupees can be allowed for maintenance &c. of roads to the Neilgherry Hills under the Engineer Department

Secretary

24/10/61

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following Circular from Colonel H. M. DURAND, C.B., Officiating Secretary to the Government of India; to the Secretary to Government, Madras, dated Fort William, the 30th September 1861, No. 5,718.

Foreign Department.

Inconvenience being caused to the Office of the Secretary of State by the present system of recording all papers in the Foreign Department under one head, I am directed to inform you that, from the 1st October 1861, the Records of the Foreign Office will be divided into six distinct Departments:—

1st. Judicial.	4th. Military.
2nd. Revenue.	5th. Political.
3rd. Finance.	6th. General.

I. The Judicial Department shall embrace all papers relating to—
Civil Courts.
Criminal Courts.
Police.
Thuggee and Dacoitee Commission, and the like.

II. The Revenue Department shall embrace all papers relating to Land Tax, Special Cesses, Sayer, Transit duties, Customs, and similar matters.

III. The Finance Department shall embrace all questions relating to the funds for support of contingents, Pensions, Nizamut Fund, Reports on the Financial condition (as distinguished from Administration) of Native States or British Provinces, and the like.

IV. The Military Department shall embrace all correspondence relating to the organization and discipline of the Forces under the Foreign Office, to questions of leave to Military Officers to England or out of India, and, generally, any question affecting the Army or Regimental standing of Officers under control of the Foreign Department.

V. The Political Department shall embrace all papers regarding our relations with Native States, except such as relate to matters falling under any of the previous heads.

VI. The General Department shall relate to all questions affecting leave (except leave of Military Officers to England or out of India), the Clergy, the Medical Department, &c., and generally all correspondence not included in any of the above-mentioned Departments.

It will be obviously impossible, without much trouble, to carry out this arrangement so as to obviate the inconvenience complained of by the Secretary of State, unless a similar classification is adopted in your Office.

I am, therefore, to request that all communications which you may address to the Secretary to Government in the Foreign Department may be classed under one or other of the above heads according to the Department to which it belongs.

ORDER THEREON, 5th November 1861, No. 1,488.

Communicated to the following Departments of the Secretariat for observance, viz:—

Finance.
Judicial.
Military.
Political.
Revenue.

(True Extract.)

G. S. Whitehill
Secretary to Government.

To the Financial Department.
„ Judicial do.
„ Military do.
„ Political do.
„ Revenue do.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

5 Nov. 1861

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Memorandum.-

Respecting the Refund

In obedience to the order of Govern=
ment dated 5th September 1861. No. 1766,
the Controller of Military Finance has the
honor to state, that, no Cash requirement
will be needed in order to meet the charge
of Rupees 2429-10-4, sanctioned in Proceed=
ings of Government 9th August 1861, No. 2813.
for the purchase of certain lands for the
use of the Remount Depôt as the
savings effected in the Depôt during the
Current year amounting, up to 31st August
last, to Rupees 38,487-- will more than
cover the expenditure on the above account.-

2. But I observe from the order of
Government in the Military Departt. No. 3859
of the 28th Octr 1861. that the purchase of the
land in question has been abandoned for the
present.-

Fort Saint George
5th Novr 1861.

To. The Secretary to Govt

Controller of Military Finance

Received 6th Nov. 1861
No. 2812
Secretariat

Read 7th Nov. 1861
No. 4688

Commencement
for Remounts
from the Fort of Paris
Selection of the Commis=
sioners appointed
to examine & report in the Fo.
Depôt for the Re=
mounts of the Cavalry under
the Presidency.

13 Nov. 1861.

RECORDED.

Revenue Department.

No. 6091.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 6th November 1861.

Read the following

No. 369.

From,
W. M. Cadell Esqre.
Collector of Tanjore

To,
W. Hudleston Esqre.
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Chepauk.

Sir,

1. It is with much regret I have to report for the information of the Board that the Province is suffering severely from drought the water in the rivers having, for the last month, been very low and the N. E. Monsoon having hitherto proved an entire failure.

2. It is true that showers have fallen here and there, but they have been very partial and the regular setting in of the Monsoon is still a matter of expectation, and is most anxiously looked for. The wind for the last 10 or 15 days has, during the earlier part of

the

Madras 2085

Read Sundry letters from Collectors
dated 24th Octr. 1861 to 31st Octr. 1861 —
Nos. 369 to 388

(2) Revenue Department.
Proceedings of Board, dated 6th November 1861.
No. 2613

From,
The Collector of Tanjore
Submitting
his Receipt & Disbursement
Accts. for Octr. 1861.

Dated 5th Novr. 1861.
Rec'd 6th do.
Read
D. S.
Recorded

Book Keeper's Cash Receipt and Disbursement Accts. for Octr. 1861 for the Tanjore Collectorate.

Certain Cash Balances for the Abstract Depositories are stated to be in excess.

Effects paid into the Depositories are stated to be less than the Receipts.

Explanations.

RECORDED.

Read Report
6th Novr.

the day, Seem from the right direction or from the N. E, but generally about 2 P. M, it shifts to the South and all the clouds and indications of rain are immediately dispersed.

3. I trust I shall have it in my power before long to report a more favorable state of circumstances, but it is right the Board should be informed of the critical state in which the whole cultivation of the Province now is -

I have &c.

Tanjore Collrs Office,
Vellum 1st November 1861.

(Signed) W. M. Cadell
Collector.

Submitted for the information of Government -

2. The Collector will keep the Board informed of the state of the District. The Board trust that the Monsoon rains have set in, in Tanjore ere this -

(A true Copy & Extract)

Secretary.

To,
J. D. Sim Esqre
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

No 1626

Revenue Settlements Office,
Ootacamund,
8th November 1867.

From,

H. Newill Esqr
Director of Revenue Settlements

To

J. C. Sim Esqr
Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department
Fort St. George.

Sir,

In reply to the Proceedings of Government dated 5th instant No 2090, I have the honor to state that the cash of the paper for the purchase of which an advance of Rupees 500 was applied for in my letter of the 19th ultimo No 1513, can be met out of the unexpended portions of sums allotted to other items in the Budget estimate made for this Department.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your Most obedient Servant

H Newill

Director of Revenue Settlements

Copy to P.W.D.

Rec'd 18th Dec. 1867
No 2621

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 6th
Despd 5th } Nov. 1867.
Rec'd 7th

No 6091.

Submitting letter from the Collector of Tanjore reporting on the state of the Cauvery

15 Nov. 3/4.

Eq. 4 Nov. 1215.

RECORDED.

W.A.V.

V. R. P.

B. Ellis

Revenue Department

No. 6220

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 12th November, 1861

Read the following

No. 276

From
G. Thornhill Esqre
Acting Collector of
Kistna District.

To
H. Hudleston Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Chepauk

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the information of the Board, that since my last report, dated 19th October 1861 No. 260, there has been a general fall of rain throughout the District, the rain fall at Masulipatam from 20th to 25th October having been 4 inches, where it was more abundant than elsewhere in the District.

20th October	In.	3	5
21st	2	1	5
22nd	2	—	6
23rd	2	1	7
24th	2	—	5
25th	2	—	5
	4	—	—

Rec'd from Collr of Kistna 1861 Nov 18 No 260

Read Letter from Collr of Kistna dated 12th Nov 1861.

Ordered that Mr Secretary Hudleston do write to the Collr of Kistna No 2144.

(A) Mr Secretary Hudleston

Revenue Department

Mr Secretary to Government

Revenue Department

Fort St George:

Dated 13th November 1861
No. 12
Rec'd 20th do

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to transmit for the information of Government the accompanying Report dated 12th Instant from the Collector of Kistna on the subject of the Rainfall in that District during the month of October last.

Board's Office
Chepauk
13th November 1861

H. Hudleston
Secretary

RECORDED.

No.

This fall of rain was most
opportune, and came in time to revive
the crops both wet and dry which
were at the time in a most precarious
state. Rain is still required and there
is every appearance of a further fall.

3. The prices of all kinds of
grain are the same as at the date of
my last report.

Kistna District Collectors
Kachery at Masulipatam
5th November 1861.

I have &c
Signed J.G. Thornhill
Acting Collector.

Submitted for the information
of Government.

True Copy & Extract

Secretary

To
A. D. Sim Esqre
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

Fort St. George
5th November 1861

Rec'd 18th November 1861
Copy of Report from the
Collector of Kistna
No 2666
Forwarding a Report of the
Board of Revenue
dated 12th November 1861
Read
Ans'd
Rec'd

No 6220. P. S.

Submitting for information
a letter from the Collector
of Kistna reporting on
the State of the Seasons

RECORDED

Thornhill
Rain Reports