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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 6th September 1861.

Read again letter from the Collector of Madras, dated 6th August 1861, No. 264.

(In Cons. 8th August 1861, No. 4,998.)

Read also the following letter from the Collector of Madras, dated Saidapet, 21st August 1861, No. 284:—

The Gallon referred to in the Board's Proceedings of the 14th instant, No. 4,430, is the old Wine Gallon, usually styled the common Gallon, and the Arrack will be retailed to the Shop-keepers at the fixed rate of Rupees 3-7-0 the Wine Gallon, the rate not being affected by the cost price.

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1. The Board observe that the contract price of Rupees 138 for 150 old Wine Gallons, is at the rate of Rupees 0-14-8 per Gallon, the difference between which and the Government selling price of Rupees 3-7-0 is Rupees 2-8-4, while the Import duty on Foreign Spirits is Rupees 3 per Imperial Gallon, or Rupees 2-8-0 per old Wine Gallon.

2. Thus the duty borne by Arrack in the Madras market under the Abkarry system is still heavier than that charged on Foreign Spirits imported as pointed out in the Board's letter to Government of 23rd November 1859, No. 4,791.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

Secretary.

To B. Cunliffe, Esq., Collector of Madras.

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

Exd. J. Wright.

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PROCEEDINGS of the BOARD of REVENUE,

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Submitting with remarks a letter from the Collector of Madras forwarding certain information regarding the gallon used in the sale of Columbo Arrack.

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