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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1205 Press ~~Mis.~~

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Dated May 1862.

Not to be folded or roughly handled

Statement of charges sanctioned by the Director of Revenue Settlement under the authority conveyed in Extract Minutes of Consultation 11th September and 25th December 1858 Nos 1238 and 1721 during the year 1861.

Date of Sanction	Description of charges.	Amount. Rupees a. P.	Remarks.
	I In the Settlement Branch		
	Godavery and Nellore Settlement Party.		
January 25th	Cost of Field Registers &c. for Nellore Demarcation Party and printing forms of Settlement Registers for Godavery District	92 15 8	
March 14th	Cost of Field Registers for Nellore Demarcation Party	74 8 1	
May 21st	Cost of Office Furniture for the Assistant Director in Nellore	* 98 11	* This sum was exceeded by Rs 1-3-8 which was passed on the submission of the Bill.
June 5th	Cost of printing Demarcation Notices, Forms &c. for the use of the Nellore party	81 11 7	
August 13th	Cost of erecting sup. Register Books for the use of the Surveyors in the Godavery district	67 11 1	
October 19th	—"— printing Demarcation Notices &c. for the use of the Nellore party	37 5 10	
December 23rd	—"— printing Field Registers &c. for Do.	27 12 9	
" 23rd	—"— Rent of house from 8th to 30th November 1861 at Rs 30 per month for accommodation of the Field party in the recess	§ 23 " "	§ It was considered more economical to rent a house than to erect a temporary shed.
	Salem Settlement Party.		
May 21st	Estimate of Furniture required for an Assistant Director's Office	55 8 "	
" 21st	Do Do for the Probationary Assistant Director	55 8 "	
July 5th	Cost of printing forms for the use of the party	91 10 10	
Augt 8th	Do Do Do Do	67 10 6	
17th	Do Do Do Do	54 6 2	
24th	Do Do Do Do	91 10 10	

&c.

II. In the Survey Branch.

Superintendent's Office.

February	7	3 Reams and 4 quires of printing paper of sizes		46	—	—
		1¼ lbs.	Tracing paper	15-12	—	
					61	12 —
"	6	4½ lbs.	printing paper	79-8	—	
		1¼ lbs.	Tracing paper	15-8	—	
					95	— —
"	6	Hire of a Lithographic Press for December 1861			15	— —
March	4	Cost of printing and Tracing paper			93	8 —
April	5	do.	do.		99	11 —
May	13	do.	do.		93	8 —
June	5	do.	do.		89	8 —
"	5	do.	of small white Drawing Boards		30	— —
"	28	15 Reams of printing paper		78-8	—	
		1½ lbs.	Tracing paper	18-12	—	
					97	4 —

Godavery Survey Party.

February	23	Cost of printing Forms &c.			81	— —

Wynaad Survey Party.

March	28	Cost of office furniture			77	12 —

Revenue Settlement Office,
Madras
15th April 1862.

W. Elliot
Offg Director of Revenue Settlements

To
J. D. Sim Esqr
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort Saint George.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Dated 16th April 1862, No. 464.

The Government have for some years maintained a Museum at Madras in which many valuable specimens have been deposited, but the collection illustrative of the Natural History of even this Presidency is still very defective. This has probably arisen, in the first place, from ignorance on the part of the public that any value is attached to specimens of Natural History, or that such contributions will deserve or receive a place in the Museum; and in the second place from want of instruction as to the objects to be collected and the mode of preserving them.

2. The accompanying short paper (adapted to India from one which was issued by the Government of New South Wales) contains clear and practical instructions as to the mode of preserving specimens, and the Governor in Council resolves to publish and circulate it here, with the double intention of placing such information within the reach of the public and of, thereby, affording them the assurance that every thing which bears upon any of the many branches of Natural History from the minutest insect or shell, to the skin and skeleton of the largest mammal, is of value, and will be thankfully received and acknowledged by the Superintendent of the Museum, Captain Mitchell.

3. The advantages to be derived from the existence at the Head Quarters of the Presidency of a Museum containing not merely the productions of the Southern part of India but also those of other portions of the globe are manifest. In order however to obtain specimens from other countries the Superintendent of the Museum must be in position to give those of India in exchange and this he cannot do unless from the different Districts he is furnished with specimens illustrative of their Natural History.

4. The Governor in Council entertains the hope that the public will very generally co-operate with the Government in this desirable object and that they will the more readily do so when they learn from the "Hints" now published how easily very valuable assistance may be rendered by them.

(True Extract.)

T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

Budget & Finance
Department

No. 11

Official Memorandum.

1. With reference to the Order of Government dated the 2d Instant, No. 957. Revenue Department, the Acting Accountant General has the Honor to state that the necessary provision was made in the Supplemental Budget Estimate for 1862 of the District of Kurnool, on account of Establishment of Head Assistant Collector of Kurnool, Acting Head Assistant Collector of Cuddapah amounting to Rs 420- the Supplemental Budget having been sanctioned by the Government of India the Civil Paymaster will pass the Charge in question on bills being forwarded to him for that purpose.

2. A Copy of this Memo has been transmitted to the Collector of Kurnool.

F. Lushington
Ag. Acct Genl.

× Head Assistant Collector of Kurnool

* Vide Communication to the Collector of Kurnool dated 28th April 1862. No 5023

Jas S. Gaye
Acct Genl Office
7th May 1862

To
The Secy to Government
Rev Depts

Concurd J. D. Hines

Revenue 1862 Dept
Proceedings for Sept 1318.

Proceedings of the Accountant General in the Public Works Department

Dated 10th April 1862

Read

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Communication from the Department of Public Instruction to the Central Collector Commissariat Madras

Dated 5th April 1862

Read

2 inclosures

Sent to Govt 3rd May 1862

Revenue Department

No. 2584.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 23d. April 1862.

Read letter from the Collector of South Arcot dated 7th April 1862 No. 66.

(Inclos 12th April 1862 Mr. No. 1207)

Under the circumstances explained by the Collector the Board resolve to grant Mr. Hutchins privilege leave for one Month.

2. Mr. Reade's letter will be submitted to Government with the Board's recommendation that additional Covenanted or Uncovenanted assistance be afforded to him if available.

(True Extract)

W. Dalyell
Sub Secretary.

To

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

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Under Sec. to Govt. Revenue Dept.

Dated 12th Feby 1862

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No. 1321.

Write Mr. Hutchins Collector of Tanjore that the Board have granted him the privilege leave for one Month.

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From

C. W. Reade Esqr.

Collector of South Arcot

To

W. Fiudleston Esqr.

Secretary Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

Sir,

In forwarding the accompanying application for leave from Mr. Hutchins my Assistant I beg to recommend that his request be acceded to.—

2 The Board will know that the settlement of this District is now going on. I have no Sub Collector and the Deputy Collector in charge of Salt is also away, at the very season, when his services are most needed and now Mr. Hutchins whose health I know to be very indifferent, is also about to go and thus at the most busy period of the year I am without the services of 3 Officers. I therefore request the Board will at once recommend to Government the appointment

of

Rec'd 1862 Dept. of Revenue Fort St. George

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 23 Dept. 23 Rec'd 24 Oct 1862 S.V. No. 2584

Granting Mr. Hutchins one months privilege on Sick certificate and recommending that additional Covenanted or Uncovenanted assistance be afforded to the Collr. of South Arcot

8-12-1862

Sec'y Board 10 Oct 1862

of some competent Deputy Collector to look after the Salt in this District, and I trust ere long that the services of a Sub Collector will be placed at my disposal or I fear more labour will devolve on me, than I shall be well able to get through.

3. I have not thought it necessary to require any Medical Certificate from Mr Hutchins as he only wishes to avail himself of his months privilege leave, and to resume his duties within that period.

South Arcot
Colrs Circuit Cutcherry
Perimbay 7th April 1862

I have &c.a
/ Signed / C. H. Read
Collector

/ True Copy /

H. Dalzell
Sub Secretary

Revenue Department

No. 2663

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 26th April 1862.
Read the following

No. 20

From W. A. Goldfinch Esquire
Acting Collector of
North Canara

To W. Hudleston Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir,

I have the honor to report for
the information of the Board that
Mr. W. Wedderburn whose appoint-
ment appeared in Bombay Govern-
ment Gazette, No. 15 date 10th April
1862, arrived here yesterday
and has this day taken the
prescribed oaths before me
as Assistant Collector and
Magistrate

Rec'd at large No. 1 in Proceedings
of the Board of Revenue
No. 2663 dated 26th April 1862.

Rec'd 11th/62.

2 Copy from the Collector
of North Canara to the Secy
to the Bd of Revenue dated
1st April 1862 No. 20.
Reporting the Assistant
appointment of Mr. Wedderburn
and his taking the prescribed
oaths.

30 Augt 62

No 235

4 Sept No 5555

Magistrate of this District.-

North Canara ----
Collector's Office ...
On Circuit ....
Sircy 19th April 1862

Name &c.
Signed W. A. Goldfinch
Acting Collector

Submitted for the informa:
tion of Government.-

/ A true Copy & Extract /

W. Dalyell
Sub Secretary

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

Endd W. Elliot Esq
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Recd 1862 April 30
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Recd 28th April 1862
Read 2nd May 1862
No. 2894

From
The Secretary of the
Board of Revenue

To
The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Dated 28th April 1862

No. 2683

Submitting for information
a Return shewing the Average
Prices of Grain &c. &c. during
the month of March 1862.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit for the information of the Hon'ble the Governor in Council, a Return shewing the Average Prices of Grain &c. &c. during the month of March 1862.

2. I have also the honor to report that the Collectors of Nellore, Godavery and Kistnah have reported the actual outturn of the Spring Crops, and that the Collectors of Nellore, Kistnah, Cuddapah, Bellary, Kurnool, Madras, North Arcot, South Arcot, Tanjore, Trichinopoly, Madura, Tinnevelly, Coimbatore, Salem, North Canara, South Canara and Malabar have reported the Rain fall during the month of March 1862.

I have &c.
(Signed) W. Oakes
Secy to Board of Revenue

31st May 1862.

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Recd 30th April 1862
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No 2749

Average Bazar Prices of Grain and Salt per Madras Garce and Rain Report for the month of March 1862 Fasli 1271

Districts		Prices of Grain and Sea Salt												Rain fall				
		2d sort. Rice		2d sort. Paddy		Cholum		Raggy		Horses Gram		Sea Salt		Northern Section	Southern Section	Eastern Section	Western Section	Average
		Fasli 1270	1271	1270	1271	1270	1271	1270	1271	1270	1271	1270	1271					
		Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Inches	Inches	Inches	Inches	Inches
Northern	Ganjam	231	250	91	94	131	135	113	107	146	148	188	246	4·00	0·50	0·70	2·00	1·80
	Vizagapatam	254	276	112	112	113	148	114	129	122	114	186	246	"	2·90	1·90	0·90	1·42
	Godavery Distt	205	286	98	133	101	168	105	138	127	138	171	205	1·40	1·00	0·60	"	1·00
	Kistnah do	271	324	118	145	126	159	118	134	150	159	187	214	1·10	"	"	0·20	0·65
	Nellore	272	315	130	151	172	184	155	165	210	221	181	225	"	"	"	"	"
Ceded Distts	Cuddapah	396	408	174	182	228	220	210	194	222	216	248	311	"	"	"	"	"
	Bellary	326	348	137	150	160	160	148	141	172	173	315	393	3·30	0·90	0·40	7·40	3·00
	Kurnool	361	343	158	144	172	159	158	149	191	182	268	313	"	"	"	"	"
East Centre	Madras	341	340	146	153	192	211	194	213	247	224	157	209	"	"	"	"	"
	North Arcot	364	340	156	162	225	244	206	225	244	238	166	205	"	"	"	"	"
	South Arcot	287	283	135	164	154	131	186	186	310	197	176	222	"	"	"	"	"
Cauvery	Tanjore	293	305	132	137	"	175	153	153	227	210	164	210	"	"	0·45	"	0·45
	Trichinopoly	330	401	152	167	193	216	179	192	227	226	229	294	"	"	"	"	"
Southern	Madura	341	383	156	177	135	214	164	179	178	221	171	220	1·25	0·50	0·15	0·60	0·60
	Tinnevelly	404	346	178	160	179	201	176	183	221	299	187	237	1·80	"	0·15	0·27	0·35
West Centre	Coimbatore	426	387	195	187	200	206	168	187	220	273	278	227	2·00	0·12	"	0·05	0·54
	Salem	354	331	163	157	214	192	193	179	194	162	207	252	4·30	0·60	"	"	1·22
West	North Canara	308	294	142	116	201	223	162	191	226	215	189	221	0·70	"	0·10	"	0·80
	South Canara	307	274	137	123	"	"	191	175	280	262	178	209	2·00	3·10	0·60	1·50	1·80
	Malabar	367	313	170	156	"	"	187	231	288	286	231	333	4·87	4·46	6·32	9·75	6·33

Remarks on the Season.

Northern. Rain fell in all the Districts except in Nellore. In Ganjam the dry crops had been partially harvested, and the cotton plants were thriving. In the Godavery District, the dry cultivation was in progress, and Sugarcane was being planted. In the Kistnah District the wet crops were being thrashed; the Cotton and Pyra crops

crops were all harvested. In Nellore almost all the crops had been reaped, except the Lamp oil seed and Cholum crops which were injured by blight and the wet crops which had withered from want of water. Prices were high in all except Ganjam. The District was generally healthy; but Cholera and Small-pox prevailed in the other Districts, and Cattle suffered from murrain in all except Ganjam and Vizagapatam.

Ceded Districts. There was no rain in these Districts, except in parts of Bellary where it was very slight. In Cuddapah the crops had been generally harvested and in places where the irrigation was available, Jowar, Sugar cane and Indigo crops were sown. In Kurnool the second crop in wet lands was thriving. In Bellary there had been no cultivation of Indigo and Cotton in the month, while in the other two Districts these crops had been reaped. Fever prevailed in Kurnool, and Small-pox, Cholera, and ague had made their appearance in Cuddapah.

East Centre. These Districts had no rain. In Madras and North Arcot the crops were generally withering from want of water. In the former District the Indigo crops were flourishing in lands irrigated from wells; Cotton had been cultivated to a small extent and in North Arcot these crops were in a poor condition; while in South Arcot their cultivation was in progress. Prices continued high in Madras; in this District as well as in South Arcot Cholera was prevalent and Cattle also suffered from Murrain.

Cauvery. There were a few showers in Tanjore, which proved beneficial to the cultivation of the dry and garden crops, and Kilundi and Veraiei had been nearly harvested. In Trichinopoly the supply of water in the Cauvery and Coleroon had been unusually scanty; Kodai cum Paddy and Chillies had been harvested; Cotton and Indigo crops were not in a good condition. Fever, Cholera and murrain prevailed in the latter District.

Southern. Slight showers fell in these Districts. In Madura the cultivation of Cholum and rapeseed was progressing; in some places the crops raised late, in the season, had been reaped. In Tinnevelly the Irrigated and Punjah crops sown late, were being harvested; the Cotton crops in Madura and Cotton and Indigo crops in Tinnevelly were in a good condition. Cholera and Fever prevailed in the former District, and Cattle suffered from Murrain in the latter.

West Centre. A few showers fell in these Districts. In Combatore the dry crops failed from want of rain and a great portion of the lands ploughed

ploughed were left unsown; Tobacco had been cut and Cholum cultivated in places where there was a supply of water from wells; wet crops were nearly harvested. In Salem Cholum and Raggy were being sown in some Taluqs; Stone grains and Oil seeds had been reaped; the Cultivation of Paddy and Sugar cane in lands irrigated by wells had been commenced. The Prices were high in the latter District Cholera was prevalent in both Districts.

West. Rain fell in three Districts. In North Canara the second rice crop was being reaped. In South Canara the third rice crop was about to be harvested; the dry grain crop had been already harvested. In Malabar the sowing operations for the next year had commenced; There had been no particular change in the garden produce. Small pox had been prevalent in South Canara, and Ague, fever and small-pox had made their appearance in North Canara

The following Statement shows the Cultivation of Indigo and Cotton with their market prices up to march 1862 in Fasli 1271 compared with the same period in Fasli 1270. The Collector of Nellore has promised in his season Report that he will send his statement of Cotton and Indigo cultivation separately.

separately, but has not as yet done so.

Districts	Cotton Fasli 1270 Extent	Cotton Fasli 1270 Assessment	Cotton Fasli 1271 Extent	Cotton Fasli 1271 Assessment	Market rates Per Measure	Market rates Per Candy	Indigo Fasli 1270 Extent	Indigo Fasli 1270 Assessment	Indigo Fasli 1271 Extent	Indigo Fasli 1271 Assessment	Indigo Market rates Per Measure	Indigo Market rates Per Candy
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1	Acres	Rs	Acres	Rs	Rs	Rs	Acres	Rs	Acres	Rs	Rs	Rs
Ganjam	3858	5389	4760	7094	Cleaned 5. 4. 8 Uncleaned 14. 2.	"	"	"	"	"	33 8 42	"
Vizagapatam	8384	30393	9486	37562	20	"	1129	9810	1283	10040	49	"
Godavery District	6681	13816	5312	13905	Cleaned 3 Uncleaned	"	247	432	101	164	42	"
Kistnah do	124855	186888	99099	153874	"	15	8597	12853	6604	11532	48	"
Nellore												
Cuddapah	23113	28764	26383	30758	"	18650	20697	87641	26654	60175	"	8206 1280
Bellary	249691	256702	294287	306222	4	"	1655	2223	2618	3022	54	"
Kurnool	115289	108277	65253	66034	"	73	12096	31718	16706	38057	"	1090
Madras	"	"	1	1	"	45	1920	5522	2275	6628	"	600 1000
North Arcot	6	9	26	42	4	"	7079	11782	2152	4116	43	"
South Arcot	19839	44174	16485	37807	"	20. 8. "	32736	67962	53199	106516	"	1st sort 700 2d do. 420
Tanjore	273	427	1167	1759	"	26	1028	1726	1545	2261	"	261
Trichinopoly	4766	8962	4857	9032	1. 1. "	"	738	1561	933	1940	35	"
Madura	69067	116193	57577	96681	Cleaned 67 Uncleaned 78	"	43	60	59	73	Dried Cleaned 4. 4. 4	"
Tinnevelly	169785	170079	170694	171698	"	105	250	278	299	231	"	714
Coimbatore	83021	80044	82413	84173	"	20	"	"	"	"	"	"
Salem	13220	19900	16011	26252	Cleaned 4. 13. 8 Uncleaned 2. 5. 9	"	1497	4914	1553	4595	50	"
North Canara	"	"	100	100	"	10560 40	"	"	"	"	"	"
South Canara	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Malabar	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Total	891848	1089017	856871	1056997	"	"	89711	208482	114881	249370	"	"

Revenue Board Office
Madras
30th April 1862

H Walpole
Sub-Secretary

To

J. D. Sim Esqr.
Secretary to Government. R. D.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. OUCHTERLONY, Acting Deputy Chief Engineer, Northern Circle, to Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. HORSLEY, Secretary to Government, Public Work Department, dated Chepauk, 1st March 1862, No. 181 :—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to lay before Government the project so often brought under discussion in previous years, for connecting the Chilka lake with the Ganjam river, close to the Port of that name.

1 Letter from Collector No. 22, dated 12th February 1862,
1 Do. from District Engineer No. 363, dated 10th February 1862.
1 Abstract estimate Rupees 90,000.
1 Report.
1 Survey of levels.
1 Sketch map.

2. The estimate now submitted amounts, for the simple operation of excavating the Canal designed for this purpose, to Rupees 90,000.

3. The correspondence and documents connected with this project are so voluminous, and extend over so considerable a period of time, that reference to their contents would entail a very great sacrifice of time; therefore, while I enclose them entire that they may serve such a purpose, it is necessary that I should summarize the information they convey in order that Government may be in a position to judge of the scheme according to its true merits.

4. The Chilka lake or backwater, is an extensive inlet or lagoon in the province of Ganjam, opening to the sea by a narrow outlet or creek, and hence, though constituting a basin of drainage for a considerable extent of country, receiving an influence from the Bay of Bengal, which renders its waters more or less brackish, its northern and western shores border a richly producing country, from which vast supplies of grain, oilseeds, and other staple articles of Indian commerce are continuously exported in boats towards the considerable market of Ganjam; which, however, they are only able to reach under the grave disadvantage of having to be landed at the port of Rumbah at the southern extremity of the lake, and conveyed thence by carts over an intervening space of 9 miles of land carriage.

5. This obvious drawback to the free-spread and elasticity of trade it is proposed to remove by cutting a Canal which shall run from tide-water to tide-water in the lake and in the river of Ganjam; and which will pass along a line of country peculiarly well suited for the economical construction of such a work, inasmuch as its soil is alluvial throughout, and the greatest depth of cutting which its configuration will entail will be only 13 feet 11 inches.

6. I have remarked upon the beneficial effects which this measure can scarcely fail to produce upon trade, and consequently upon the prosperity not only of Ganjam but of the adjoining Bengal province of Cuttack; and I may also add that the result of its operation will be calculated to repay Government in a still more direct manner for whatever reasonable outlay it may involve them in. The Ganjam Salt pans produce a description of article which is peculiarly popular inland; at present as the cost of transport by carts is more than 120 per cent. in excess of that by water the quantity conveyed by return bandies to the Port of Rumbah for shipment on board the produce boats, is of necessity comparatively small, as the cart owners seek a more remunerative traffic inland. But if the cargo boats of the Chilka lake were enabled to discharge their goods in the Ganjam river they would almost invariably load back wholly or in great part with an article which pays their owners so good a freight as Salt: and the profit to Government by its augmented sale would be great and immediate.

7. The consequence of increased facility and economy in the mode of transit to a market could not fail to enhance the demand for all articles of consumption and of export. English manufactured goods and luxuries would find their way more readily into the interior, and the general development of the resources of the District would be greatly stimulated.

8. The amount of the estimate may appear considerable, showing as it does a probable cost of Rupees 9,500 per mile of canal excavated. But it must be borne in mind that compensation for land which it will occupy, forms a large item in the gross charge. The cost of labor

also has very much increased in Ganjam of late years ; and I have further thought it necessary to enter in the estimate a larger sum than usual for contingencies, under the apprehension of drifts of unfavorable soil being met with in the line of excavation.

9. I trust, however, Government will not consider the total amount as at all incommensurate with the great advantages which the scheme promises, and which the Collector, the District Engineer, and every individual (even to writers in the journals of London in 1859) who has been in any way connected with it since 1856 when it for the first time assumed a practical form, all concur in extolling.

10. The Canal is planned so as to carry at the lowest level of ordinary tides a depth of three feet of water, sufficient to float the craft now employed in the navigation of the Chilka lake, and which would therefore at once be available to traverse the new projected line of communication.

11. The only point upon which a question can be in any way raised is as to the necessity of placing locks at either end of the Canal. It certainly is not desirable to introduce such an impediment to free and unrestrained traffic ; and I am induced to believe that Government will consider the presumption fair that no necessity for such constraint is, according to existing lights, apparent.

12. The Collector apprehends that the stream of the Ganjam river which manifests a yearly increasing tendency to push its embouchure more and more towards the north, may, profiting by a temporary superiority of head during the southerly monsoon, the winds of which have a tendency to lower the level of the Chilka waters, usurp the line of outlet offered by the Canal, and empty itself into the lake; submerging, as Mr. Forbes augurs, considerable tracts of circumjacent land in its course.

13. In this apprehension however I do not share. A simple groyne placed near the head of the Canal would sufficiently divert the stream to prevent any thing beyond a mere flow being perceptible along its Channel; and the reaction produced by the confinement of its volume in the contracted space of the Canal, would assist the natural tendency to disgorge itself by the ordinary outlet.

14. Moreover a project is now under investigation to rectify the Channel, which the river in question has of late years assumed, by carrying groynes or stone jetties across the space now occupied as the elbow of the stream ; and cutting an artificial opening, or rather re-establishing the ancient opening, for the river's disemboguement. The position of these training revetments I have roughly noted on the plan of the locality. I am by no means sanguine as to the general result of the project, which originates with the Acting District Engineer to whom I have had to remit it for alterations ; but I anticipate that its effect will certainly be to arrest the apprehended tendency of the river to invade the position assigned to the head of the projected Canal.

15. That the Ganjam river may eventually resume a northerly set is, I fear, not improbable ; but I am disposed to think its encroachment in that direction will not be appreciable until the line of the coast shall have advanced to adapt itself to the new configuration, which may be as it were, forced upon it ; and the backwater, which the old Channel will then constitute, will I anticipate rest undisturbed.

16. At all events I consider that the Canal may be safely excavated as a low-tide cut according to the design and specification of the District Engineer ; leaving, as I think we may do without apprehension of ill results, the future to decide as to the necessity of providing it with locks ; and feeling no apprehension as to their efficiency it added at an after stage of operations, when, and if, that necessity shall have been established.

17. Should Government see fit to sanction this project the amount of the estimate could be appropriated out of the Reserve Fund of the ensuing Budget, or out of the 1 per cent. Income Tax Fund, Rupees 6,000 being allotted for expenditure during the current year, and Rupees 30,000 for 1862-63.

18. The District Engineer proposes to expend Rupees 9,000 before the close of the current year, but by the time sanction, if accorded, is conveyed to him, time will not I expect admit of this.

ORDER THEREON, 2nd May 1862, No. 916.

1. With the above letter the Deputy Chief Engineer, Northern Circle, submits a project for a Canal to connect the Chilka lake with the Ganjam river at an estimated cost of Rupees 90,000. This work has been for some years before the notice of Government, but the consideration of it has, for financial reasons, been hitherto postponed. Along the Chilka lake a large traffic is carried on by boats which are now obliged to unload their cargoes at the village of Rumbah, from whence they are conveyed by bandies for a distance of nine miles to the port of Ganjam.

2. The present project is for the purpose of obviating this inconvenience and enabling the boats to proceed the whole way to Ganjam.

3. The Canal has from the first been warmly advocated by all the Revenue and Engineer Officers who have been connected with the Ganjam District; but a difference of opinion exists as to the mode in which it should be carried out.

4. The local Officers and the present Deputy Chief Engineer advocate an open Canal without locks. This proceeding necessitates the excavations being made much deeper, while, from the fluctuating level of the waters of the lake and the tide at Ganjam, there will be always a current either one way or the other through the Canal.

5. By the construction of locks on the other hand, it is argued that, the depth of excavation may be reduced one yard, that yard being below low-water mark the most troublesome and expensive.

6. The Collector is apprehensive that if the Canal is left open, the embouchure of the Ganjam river may be shifted still further north and be more difficult to control than even at present. The Governor in Council is not disposed to consider the latter objection of much weight, but he questions the desirability of leaving the Canal open to the irruptions of the river on the one side and the flood waters of the lake on the other. The expense of constructing locks and of excavating the open Canal to the requisite level below low-water, the Chief Engineer shows, will be about the same, while the labor of the latter will be unquestionably greater.

7. The aggregate outlay being considerable, and the benefit of the Canal being confined exclusively to navigation, the Government consider that a return should be obtained for those benefits by means of a toll.

8. The late District Engineer states, it is observed, that the cost of the land carriage varies from 1 Anna to Annas 2, Pice 8 per bag, or from 14 Annas to Rupees 2-6-0 per ton. The toll proposed by the District Engineer, viz., 1 Anna per bag, would be too high. The Government consider that 4 Annas per ton, the same as charged on the Eastern Coast Canal, would be sufficient, especially if the Canal is of such great importance as represented, as the traffic should soon be much more than that mentioned by the District Engineer, viz., 2 lacs of bags, which amount to only 14,300 tons per annum. Neither the Collector nor the Deputy Chief Engineer advert to the subject of the toll, and the latter appears to look for the returns in increased sales of Salt. After a consideration of all the correspondence on the subject His Excellency the Governor in Council cannot but observe that the remunerative character of the work is based only on vague and general statements. Before entertaining so large an expenditure as now proposed, Rupees 90,000, it is necessary that the Government should be furnished with some reliable estimate of the quantity of produce likely to seek an outlet by way of the Canal. At the quantity given by the District Engineer, 2 lacs of bags, or 14,300 tons, and at the rate of toll above proposed, viz., 4 Annas per ton, the direct return would be Rupees 3,575, or under 4 per cent., and from this, deductions would have to be made for expense of collection, repair, &c.

9. The anticipated indirect returns from increased sales of Salt are doubtless probable, but an estimate of the possible amount should be given.

10. The Governor in Council agrees with the Chief Engineer in considering that the locks cannot be dispensed with when there is so much variation in the levels of the water at either end of so short a Canal, and he is of opinion that the surface of the Canal may be kept at that of high water neap tides with a maximum depth of 5 feet. The size of the locks, however, may be reduced to 60 feet in length by 10 feet in width.

11. After the estimate has been revised according to the above directions, it should be submitted for the re-consideration of Government accompanied by some reliable estimates as to the probable amount of traffic and increase in the Salt Revenue.

12. The District Engineer's attention will be directed to the discrepancy between the measurements and tonnage of the boats, as given in paragraph 6 of his letter : a boat 48 feet long by 8 feet broad and drawing 4 feet of water will carry probably 38 tons and not 10½ as stated by him and the smaller boats in proportion.

(True Extract.)

Wm. Wordley, Lieut.-Colonel,
Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Deputy Chief Engineer, Northern Circle.
„ Chief Engineer.
„ Board of Revenue.
„ Revenue Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from R. A. DALYELL, Esq., Sub Secretary to the Board of Revenue; to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated 11th April 1862, No. 2,425.

In Consultation, 4th January 1862, No. 45.

With reference to paragraph 2 of the Order of Government, dated 2nd January 1862, No. 1, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to report for the information of Government that under the arrangement made by the Barrack Master for the employment of Sweepers and Toties for the Offices in the Government House, the two women Sweepers hitherto employed on the Board's Establishment were discharged on the 24th March 1862, and the Toty transferred to the Barrack Department on the reduced pay of Rupees 4-12 per mensem; his name has therefore been struck out of their Office list.

2. It would, however, be more convenient if the Government would sanction the retention by the Board of one of the Sweepers for the purpose of specially attending to the rooms of the Members and Secretaries.

3. The monthly expense of the Barrack Master's arrangement will be Rupees 37-8. The number of Clerks on the several Establishments, and the proportion of the charges to be borne by each Office and debited in their Contingencies is as follows:—

	No.	Rs.	A.	P.
Revenue Board Office, Clerks, &c...	116	19	15	3
Revenue Settlement Office, „	26	4	7	7
Income Tax Office, „	76	13	1	2
Rupees...		37	8	0

Transferred to the Public Department, with reference to the Order of Government in that Department, dated 2nd January last, No 1.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
17th April 1862.

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

ORDER THEREON, 3rd May 1862, No. 547.

The Government sanction the retention by the Board of Revenue of a Sweeper for the purpose stated in paragraph 2 of this letter, the charge being included in the Contingencies of their Office.

(True Extract.)

R. J. Cuthbert
Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ Revenue Department.
„ Civil Paymaster.
„ Accountant General.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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No. 3,085.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 14th May 1862.

STATEMENT of the refunds of fines sanctioned by the Board of Revenue, under the authority conveyed in Extract from Minutes of Consultation, in the Revenue Department, No. 440, dated 31st March 1859.

Date.	Amount.			To whom.	Correspondence.	Grounds.
	RS.	A.	P.			
39th January 1861.	3	0	0	Acting Sub-Magistrate of Tirtani.	From North Arcot, 9th, in Cons. 11th January 1861.	Remitted on a reconsideration of the circumstances of the case.
15th August „	40	0	0	Certain party.....	From Cuddapah, 7th, in Cons. 10th August 1861.	Was imposed by the Acting Head Assistant, but afterwards remitted by the Collector.
17th October „	24	0	0	Do.	From Cuddapah, 30th September, in Cons. 4th October 1861.	Awarded to the complainant out of the fine of Rupees 40 levied on the Defendant.
30th do. „	29	0	0	Certain villagers....	From Kistna, 18th, in Cons. 22nd October 1861.	Remitted as having been wrongfully imposed.
7th November „	58	0	0	Certain parties.....	From Nellore, 29th October, in Cons. 4th November 1861.	Levied by the Deputy Superintendent Revenue Survey, but remitted by superior authority.
20th do. „	3	0	0	Tahsildar of Gudiatum.....	From North Arcot, 9th, in Cons. 12th November 1861.	Was imposed by Acting Head Assistant for delay in sending certain records called for, but afterwards remitted by Collector.
24th January 1862.	10	0	0	Tahsildar of Utangherry.....	From Salem, 4th, in Cons. 6th January 1862.	Was erroneously deducted from the pay of Ram Row Tahsildar.
19th February „	3	0	0	Sub-Magistrate of Wallaja.....	From North Arcot, 13th, in Cons. 15th February 1862.	Was imposed for exceeding his powers, and furnishing a quibbling explanation, but remitted on further explanation.
Total.....	170	0	0			

(A true Extract.)

Secretary.

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

Exd. J. Wright.

No. 3,123.

From W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue,

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

SIR,

With reference to paragraph 2 of Extract from Minutes of Consultation, dated 16th September 1858, Revenue Department, No. 1,268, I am directed to submit herewith a Statement of refunds of Duty sanctioned by the Board of Revenue, from 1st May 1861 to 30th April 1862, amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 6,030-11-2.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Secretary.

REVENUE BOARD OFFICE,
Madras,
15th May 1862.

Exd. J. Wright.

Rec'd 1862. Department.

No. 1459

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated 14th *May* 1862.

Despatched.

Received.

No 3,085.

Statement of the refunds of fines sanctioned by the Board.

STATEMENT of Refunds of Duty sanctioned by the Board of Revenue from 1st May 1861 to 30th April 1862.

Date.	Amount.			To whom.	Correspondence.	Grounds.
	RS.	A.	P.			
13th May 1861 ...	4	12	10	S. Venketachellum Chetty.	From Sea Customs, 25th, in Cons. 25th April 1861.	Duty levied on goods not landed.
15th „ ...	12	13	6	Certain parties.	From South Canara, 30th April, in Cons. 6th May 1861.	Duty levied by an oversight on printed books.
21st „ ...	120	0	0	Lieutenant H. M. Vibart Engro.	From Sea Customs, 8th, in Cons. 8th May 1861.	Duty erroneously collected.
5th June 1861 ...	20	11	1	Messrs. Miller and Sons.	From do. 28th, in Cons. 28th May 1861.	Penalty godown rent remitted.
5th July 1861...	93	12	0	J. Pugh, Esq.	From South Arcot, 26th, in Cons. 28th June 1861.	Duty overpaid on goods.
2nd Aug. 1861 ...	4,124	1	6	Certain parties.	From Sea Customs, 27th, in Cons. 29th July 1861.	Do. do.
5th „ ...	9	0	0	Messrs. Bainbridge and Co.	From do. 30th, in Cons. 30th July 1861.	Do. do.
14th „ ...	20	0	0	Messrs. Binny and Co.	From do. 8th, in Cons. 8th Aug. 1861.	Duty levied on articles which were subsequently discovered to be free.
15th „ ...	24	10	2	Messrs. Bainbridge and Co.	From do. 9th, in Cons. 10th Aug. 1861.	Penalty godown rent remitted.
6th Sept. 1861 ...	19	10	2	Do. do.	From do. 23rd, in Cons. 26th Aug. 1861.	Do. do.
14th „ ...	8	12	0	Certain parties.	From do. 7th, in Cons. 9th Sept. 1861.	Duty paid on goods short landed.
25th „ ...	15	0	0	Mr. Peter Stevens.	From do. 4th, in Cons. 4th Sept. 1861.	Do. do.
2nd Oct. 1861 ...	224	8	0	Agent Great Southern of India Railway Company.	From Tanjore, 20th, in Cons. 23rd September 1860.	Duty improperly levied on machinery, which should have been passed free.
16th „ ...	88	12	0	Messrs. Walker and Co.	From Sea Customs, 5th, in Cons. 5th October 1861.	Duty levied in excess on twist.
29th „ ...	73	7	0	C. Mutusawmi Pillai.	From do. 21st, in Cons. 22nd October 1861.	Duty overpaid on goods.
4th Nov. 1861 ...	157	8	0	Two Soucars of Mangalore.	From South Canara, 21st, in Cons. 28th October 1861.	Duty levied on goods short shipped.
4th Nov. 1861 ...	8	3	0	Pissoo Chiturbug Shett.	From do. do. do.	Duty wrongly credited to Government.
16th „ ...	1	6	5	Messrs. Dymes and Co.	From Sea Customs, 14th, in Cons. 15th Nov. 1861.	Duty levied on goods not landed.
28th „ ...	23	3	0	Messrs. Bainbridge and Co.	From do. 26th, in Cons. 27th Nov. 1861.	Duty paid on goods replaced in Bond.
18th Jan. 1862 ...	49	0	0	Certain party.	From Malabar, 3rd, in Cons. 9th December 1861.	Duty paid on Tobacco, but remitted on appeal.
20th „ ...	84	5	1	Mr. Gundolphe.	From Godavery, 8th, in Cons. 13th January 1862.	Duty paid on goods which were subsequently re-landed.
17th Feb. 1862 ...	7	14	0	Ambalanama Pillai.	From Tanjore, 8th, in Cons. 12th February 1862.	Duty improperly levied on goods.
20th „ ...	6	11	4	Lieutenant Bateman.	From Sea Customs, 18th, in Cons. 18th Feb. 1862.	Sale proceeds of an unclaimed case.
4th Mar. 1862...	50	0	0	Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co.	From do. 28th, in Cons. 28th Feb. 1862.	Duty paid on goods which were entitled to free entry.
13th „ ...	91	7	1	Commander of Schooner "Alice."	From Malabar, 25th Feb., in Cons. 3rd March 1862.	Duty levied on goods which were subsequently discovered to be free.
17th „ ...	86	0	0	Messrs. Dymes and Co.	From Sea Customs, 15th, in Cons. 15th March 1862.	Duty paid on goods which were subsequently exempted from duty.
17th „	64	0	0	Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co.	From do. 12th, in Cons. 12th March 1862. From Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co., 14th, in Cons. 15th March 1862.	Duty paid on goods short landed.
18th „ ...	502	8	0	Mr. Vally.	From Ganjam, 4th, in Cons. 12th March 1862.	Duty erroneously levied on goods.
28th „ ...	18	11	0	Certain party.	From South Canara, 10th, in Cons. 17th March 1862.	Duty collected by mistake on free goods.
2nd April 1862...	20	0	0	Messrs. Binny and Co.	From Sea Customs, 1st, in Cons. 1st April 1862.	Duty twice paid on the same goods.
Rupees...	6,030	11	2			

Secretary.

No. 16 of 1862

Read 1862. Department.
Rev. Secretary
No. 1478.

From The Secretary to the Board of Revenue,
To The Secretary to Government R. D.

Dated 15th *May* 1862.
Despatched. 20 *do*
Received. 21 *do*

No. 3,128.

Submitting a Statement of refunds of duty sanctioned by the Board from 1st May 1861 to 30th April 1862.

10 Encl. in 1 Cover.

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Goodhue, Offg. Sec.

30 Sept. 1862.

No. 11 of 1862

Kistna District Collect
Office at Masulipatam
15th May 1862.

From, G. Thornhill Esqre
Collector.

To, J. D. Sim Esqre
Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

With reference to Proceedings of Government dated 28th April 1862, No. 899, forwarded thro' the Board of Revenue, I have the honor to bring to your notice that there is a vacancy among the Deputy Collectors in this District —

2. Mr. Marjoribanks Salt Deputy is now in charge of the Treasury, as well as of his own office — Mr. Marjoribanks has had

very

very long experience in the Department of accounts; and I shall be glad if his services can, without inconvenience, be made permanently available at the Treasury, and another appointed to the Salt -

3. I have consulted Mr Marjoribanks on this point; he expresses himself perfectly ready to fill whichever situation the Government may be pleased to appoint him to; but states that he would, if consulted, prefer the Treasury -

I have the Honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obed.t Serv.t -

J Monteath
Collector -

Rec.d
W.D Cruha
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Pro: 25 April/62 No. 305

Rev: 15th Dec: 1862
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The Collector of
Kistna District
to The Secretary
to Government
Fort St. George

Dated 15th May
Rd 20th } 1862

No 11
No 1205. 30th May.

Reporting with
reference to the Pro-
ceedings of Government
of 25th April 1862 No. 899.
that there is a vacancy
among the Deputy
Collectors in this
District & recom-
mending that
Mr. Marjoribanks in
charge of the Treasury
may be permanently
appointed.

Min No 1205.

No. 1205.

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