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G.O. No. 160 —	Press / Mis.
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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 31st January 1862.

No. 317. Read the following letter from Messrs. ROGHÉ & Co., to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Cocanada, 22nd January 1862 :—

SIR,

1. We have the honor to acquaint you with our desire to open the traffic of the Godavery and Seebree rivers, and beg to request, whether Government will invest us with the privilege of trading in Salt and Opium.

2. Having heard that it is the intention of the Madras Government to abandon the Salt trade on the Seebree (at Kunta), we should be glad to purchase the godowns there, in case we be permitted to trade.

3. As this first step would be doubtless very risking and enterprising, we have every reason to believe that Government would give us every assistance possible, which would be the only (indirect) guarantee we should have.

Soliciting the favor of a reply.

No. 318. ORDER THEREON, 31st January 1862, No. 160.

1. The Collector of the Godavery will explain to Messrs. Roghé & Co., that they are at perfect liberty to trade in Salt in any part of the Madras territories, and will inform them of the rates at which they can procure indigenous Salt from the Government Depôts for cash or on deposit of securities.

2. The export of Opium is prohibited, and its import subject to certain duties, but there is no Government monopoly of the article in this Presidency.

3. Captain Haig, who is now at Madras, will be requested to state whether the Salt godowns at Kunta are required for Government purposes, and if not, at what price they should be offered to Messrs. Roghé & Co. He will also mention in case the godowns cannot be disposed of whether suitable sites can be granted to Messrs. Roghé & Co.

4. The Government are anxious to encourage private enterprise in the Salt trade, but they cannot grant any exclusive privileges to Messrs. Roghé & Co.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

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Messrs Roche & Co

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No. 256.

From.

Messrs. Roghé & Co

Dated 22d January
Received 29th 1862.

No. 160 - 31st January

Requesting to know whether Govt would permit them to trade in Salt and opium on the Godavery and Seabree rivers.

Should apply to Capt the Collector at Rumta.

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No. 160

Proceedings of the Madras Govt under date the 31st Jany 1862.

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(Received 29th Jany 1862)

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Collr of Customs Pondicherry
Dpt Collr - Hajee Pondicherry
1 Messrs Roghé & Co
1 Bd of Rev

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Pro: of the Madras Govt

D/ 31st January 162.

From Roghe & Co Cocanada

D/ 18th February 62 C No 531

Passing orders in Messrs Roghe & Co's letter requesting permission to trade in Salt and opinion on the Godavery and Leebree rivers -

From Captain F. J. Haig

8 April 62 C No 1[illegible]

No 317 & 318

Mess Roghe & Co's application to trade in Salt