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Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 19th August 1862.

No. 232. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 9th July 1862, No. 4,422 :—

Read again letter from the Collector of Salem, dated 30th May 1862, No. 118.
(In Cons., 4th June 1862, No. 3,421.)

Read also the following letter from the same Officer, dated 20th June 1862, No. 138.

With reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 9th instant, without number, requesting me to submit a Statement so prepared as to show separately and for each Calendar year the amount of work performed by Mr. Boaith, as Deputy Magistrate and District Moonsiff on the Shevaroy Hills, and as Deputy Collector and Deputy Magistrate in Salem, I have the honor to submit a Statement prepared in the manner required by the Board.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Statement showing the amount of work performed by Mr. Boalth in each Calendar year, as Deputy Magistrate on the Shevaroy Hills, commencing from May 1860 to May 1862.

Government Order, 14th May 1862, No. 1,059.
Memo. from Government, dated 6th June 1862, No. 106.
Memorandum from Board, dated 9th June 1862, No. 398.

1. Resolved that the foregoing letters be submitted to Government with reference to the correspondence noted in the margin.

2. It appears from the Statement forwarced with the second letter recorded above that Mr. Boalth, as Deputy Magistrate and District Moonsiff on the Shevaroy Hills, has, since the date of his appointment in April 1860, disposed of, on the average, ten Police charges, and two Civil Suits, monthly ; that he was also employed to make the annual settlement on the hills in 1861, and the current year ; and that as Deputy Magistrate at Salem the average number of Police cases which he has disposed of monthly is 25.

3. The Collector expresses an opinion that the services of a Deputy Collector and Magistrate are absolutely needed at Salem, but Mr. Arbuthnott has apparently overlooked the fact that Mr. Boalth was appointed to the Salem District mainly for special duties connected with the Shevaroy Hills. The Board think that the very small amount of Civil work appertaining to the hills might fairly be performed by the District Moonsiff of the Salem Táluq ; and that in respect to Magisterial work it would be a better and more economical arrangement than the present one to appoint a separate Sub-Magistrate of the second class to the hills, with Revenue powers ; and another Officer of the same grade to the town of Salem, to conduct the Magisterial duties there, and so relieve the Tahsíldár, who, as Mr. Arbuthnott observes, has, from the large size of his Táluq, full occupation in his Revenue duties.

4. The pay of each of these Officers should not, the Board think, be less than 50 Rupees a month. In the one case there is the climate of the hills to be considered, and in Salem itself, the importance of the duties require a man of standing and respectability.

5. The Board do not advocate the retention of two Deputy Collectors at Salem. One Officer of this grade is already in charge of the Treasury, and in no other District has it been found necessary to station more than one Deputy at Head Quarters.

(A true Copy and Extract.)
(Signed) C. G. MASTER, *Acting Sub-Secretary.*

No. 233. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 28th July 1862, No. 4,883 :—

Read the following letter from the Honorable D. ARBUTHNOTT, Collector of Salem, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated 16th July 1862, No. 161.

SIR,

1. With reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 9th instant, No. 4,422, recommending to Government that, in lieu of a Special Deputy Collector, two Sub-Magistrates may be appointed, one at Salem, and the other on the Shevaroy Hills, and that the pay of each of these Officers should not be less than 50 Rupees, I have the honor to submit the following for the consideration of the Board.

2. Taking into consideration the climate, the expense of accommodation, and of living, and the fact that Europeans form a large portion of the residents, I am of opinion that to secure an independent and respectable person for the office of Sub-Magistrate on the hills the pay should not be less than 150 Rupees. He would in that case be a Tahsíldár of the last class, and be vested with the Revenue powers and the Magisterial powers of the first class Sub-Magistrate. He can also be made a District Moonsiff on the hills, so that the residents there may have a more ready and convenient means of getting their causes settled, than by going backwards and forwards to Salem several times in each suit: 1,500 acres have been applied for since the promulgation of the new rules for the sale of waste lands, and I believe that in a short time there will be ample work for a Tahsíldár on these hills.

3. With regard to the Establishment for the Office, I propose that there should be two Clerks, one on 20, and the other on 16 Rupees, and two Peons on a pay of 7 Rupees each.

4. The present hill Amín who draws 17 Rupees per month may be dispensed with.

	Rs.	Rs.
Pay and allowances of Mr. Boalth, Special Deputy Collector at 593 Rupees per month.....	7,116	
Establishment at 102 Rupees per month.....	1,224	
		8,340
Pay of the Hill Amín at Rupees 17 per month....	204	
Pay of the Gumáshta allowed to Mr. Boalth by the Judicial Department at 10 Rupees per month..	120	
		324
		8,664

5. The annual cost of the proposed Establishment for the Shevaroy Hills will be Rupees 2,400, which creates a saving of 6,264 Rupees, compared with the present cost of the Establishment maintained mainly for the hills as shown in the margin.

6. With regard to the town of Salem the Board have stated that the importance of the duties requires a man of standing and respectability. The work in Salem is also very heavy and it is of the highest importance that the person appointed to this office should know English. The pay should therefore be of the first grade, viz., 85 Rupees. The Establishment of this office may be the same as the other Sub-Magistrate's Establishments in this District.

7. The annual cost of the Establishment of the town would be Rupees 1,368, and the aggregate cost of the proposed Establishment both for the hills and the town would be Rupees 3,768 per annum, or Rupees 4,896 less than the present cost.

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1. Ordered that the above letter be submitted to Government, in continuation of the Board's Proceedings dated 9th July 1862, No. 4,422.

2. The Board do not entirely adopt Mr. Arbuthnott's views, but they resolve to recommend to Government that the Sub-Magistrate to be appointed to the Shevaroys be of the first class, and be invested with the powers of a District Moonsiff.

3. They are of opinion that a Sub-Magistrate of the second class is all that is required at Salem.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 234. ORDER THEREON, 19th August 1862, No. 1,754.

1. In April 1860* Mr. Boalth was appointed Deputy Collector and Magistrate on the Shevaroy Hills with the additional powers of a District Munsif, and at the same time Government gave directions that part of his time in each week should be spent on the hills, and part below, the days being fixed. In July of the following year these instructions were modified† on the Collector's representations, and Mr. Boalth was desired to visit the hills once a fortnight, subsequently the Government saw reason to doubt whether there was any necessity for the retention of a Special Deputy for the Shevaroy Hills, and they accordingly‡ called for a statement of the work performed by him in his different capacities.

* E. M. C. 13th April 1860, No. 560.

† E. M. C. 11th July 1861, No. 891.

‡ E. M. C, 14th May 1862, No. 1,059.

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19th August 1862.

2. On his first appointment Mr. Boalth spent two days in each week on the hills, but subsequent to the Order of July 1861 his visits were reduced to once a fortnight. The average number of cases disposed of monthly have been ten Police charges and two Civil suits. It is clear then that the work to be performed on the Shevaroy Hills is not such as to require the special services of an officer of this grade.

3. Below the hills Mr. Boalth has had the entire magisterial charge of the town of Salem, and all cases requiring the cognizance of a first class Subordinate Magistrate in the Táluqs of Ahtúr and Salem have also been made over to him. There is however another Deputy Collector at Salem in charge of the Treasury, and "in no other District," as the Board remark, "has it been considered necessary to station more than one Deputy at Head Quarters."

4. The Board recommend the appointment instead of two Sub-Magistrates, and with the same view the Government have already instructed Mr. Pelly to make provision for two such officers. The Board were at first disposed to consider that each Sub-Magistrate should receive a salary of 50 Rupees, but the Collector has expressed a strong opinion that an efficient and respectable officer cannot be secured for the hills on less than the pay of a Tahsíldár of the lowest grade, and the Board have so far modified their views as to propose that the Sub-Magistrate for the Shevaroys should be of the first class with the additional powers of a District Munsif. Considering the climate and the expense of living on the hills the Government concur in the Collector's recommendation, and they accordingly sanction the appointment of a Tahsíldár as Sub-Magistrate for the Shevaroy Hills on a salary of 150 Rupees per mensem. He will also be invested with the powers of a District Munsif. For the town of Salem a Sub-Magistrate at 50 Rupees will be ample, if indeed any officer of that grade is required. The Board will be so good as to give this subject further consideration, bearing in mind that the Deputy Collector in charge of the Treasury is always available for magisterial work arising in the town of Salem.

5. The Government propose to put Mr. Boalth in charge of the Salem Treasury, and to remove Appasámy Mudaly to Malabar to relieve C. Canaren of his general duties. It is of great consequence to get the Betutnaad and other escheats settled as soon as possible, and Canaren, it is understood, is well qualified for this duty. The Board will be so good as to submit their views on this proposal.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 3,689.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 9th June 1862.

Read the following letter from Honorable D. ARBUTHNOTT, Collector of Salem, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated 30th May 1862, No. 118:—

1. With reference to the Board's Proceedings, dated 15th instant, No. 3,141, forwarding a copy of the Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 14th instant, No. 1,059, and requesting me to submit a Statement showing the amount of work performed by Mr. Boalth as Deputy Collector and District Moonsiff of the Shevaroy Hills, and to report whether the services of a Deputy Collector are really needed, I have the honor to submit a Statement showing the amount of work performed by Mr. Boalth from the time he joined the District in May 1860. I have included in the Statement all cases, &c., disposed of by Mr. Boalth in his Magisterial capacity on the Shevaroy Hills and at Salem.

2. With reference to the second point as to whether a Deputy Collector is really needed, I beg to observe that the services of a Deputy Collector and Magistrate are absolutely needed at Salem. Mr. Boalth takes up all cases falling under the jurisdiction of the 1st Class Sub-Magistrate in the Taluks of Salem and Attur. The entire Magisterial charge of the town of Salem was made over to Mr. Boalth on the 5th April last, in consequence of the heavy revenue duties that devolve on the Tahsildar of Salem.

3. With reference to the inquiry as to whether the duties now devolving on Mr. Boalth, could not be efficiently performed by a Sub-Magistrate, I beg to state that the duties could be performed by a Sub-Magistrate if vested with the powers of a 1st Class Sub-Magistrate, but that the want of an officer competent and available at all times to take up special duties would in that case be greatly felt.

4. The Government, in their Proceedings dated the 13th April 1860, No. 560, directed that Mr. Boalth should be vested with the powers of a District Moonsiff on the Shevaroy Hills, and ordered that he should spend a part of each week below and part above. Mr. Boalth accordingly continued till the month of August 1861 to spend two days in each week on the Hills. The Government subsequently, in their Proceedings dated 11th July 1861, No. 891, allowed Mr. Boalth on my predecessor's representation, to visit the Hills once a fortnight. Since then Mr. Boalth has regularly visited the Hill once a fortnight unless called up oftener (as he has been of late) by work of a special nature. The Board will observe from the Statement now sent that the number of suits disposed of by Mr. Boalth in his capacity of District Moonsiff is great, compared with the number of days he spends in each month on the Hills. The greater number of these suits were disposed of under Act XIII of 1859. Under the above circumstances I am of opinion that the services of a Deputy Collector and Magistrate are really needed at Salem, and that Mr. Boalth's services cannot at present be spared.

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Subsequently

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

STATEMENT showing the amount of work performed by W. Boalth, Esq., Deputy Magistrate on the Shevaroy Hills, and at Salem from the 15th May 1860 to the 24th May 1862.

Taluks.	No. of Criminal cases disposed of.	Orders or Endorsement passed on Petitions.	No. of Urzees disposed of.	Takids issued to the Sub-Magistrates.	Appeals from the decisions of Sub-Magistrate.	Amount of Fine collected.	No. of first report disposed of.	Orders issued on the review of petty Calendars and other accounts.	Yadast sent to different Officers.	Letters sent to different authorities.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Salem comprising the old Taluks of Womalur, Razipur, and Salem Attur Taluk.	874	1,092	1,535	1,139	97	Rs. A. P. 2,408 0 0	588	67	40	242

STATEMENT showing the amount of work performed by W. Boalth, Esq., as Deputy Collector, both on the Hills and at Salem, from the 15th May 1860 to the 29th May 1862.

Revenue cases disposed of under Regulation IX of 1822, and VI of 1831.	No. of Urzees disposed of.	No. of Takids issued to the Tahsildar and to the Hill Amin.	No. of Takarar cases disposed of during the Jummabundy of the Salem Taluk of Faslis 1270 and 1271.	Order or Endorsements passed upon Petitions.	No. of Yadasts sent to the Collector and others.	English letters.	No. of Income tax returns disposed of.	No. of Appeals heard from.	Amount assessed.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
11	143	47	2,992	168	11	122	700	128	5,000	The final orders upon the 2,992 Takarar cases mentioned in column 4 were written by the Deputy Collector himself in Tamil to avoid confusion, and to facilitate in a measure the Jummabundy Settlement work. This was approved of by the late Collector, Mr. Brett.

Number of Suits filed in the District Moonsiff's Court on the Hills.	Number of Suits disposed of.	Number of Suits pending.	Value of Suits.	Value of Stamp paper.	Penalties.
1	2	3	4	5	6
67	55	2	Rs. 2,375	Rs. 191	Rs. A. P. 57 2 0

(Signed) D. ARBUTHNOTT, Collector.

The Collector is requested to submit another Statement so prepared, as to show separately and for each Calendar year the amount of work performed by Mr. Boalth as Deputy Magistrate and District Moonsiff on the Shevaroy Hills, and as Deputy Collector and Magistrate in Salem, commencing from May 1860. An early answer is requested.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

To Honorable D. Arbuthnott, Collector of Salem.

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Revenue Department

№ 1754

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 19th August 1862.

Read the following Prog.ˢ of the Board of Revenue.

Submitting letters from the Collector of Salem, regarding the work performed by Mr. Boalth in Salem and on the Shevaroy Hills, and suggesting that a Sub Magistrate be appointed at each of these two stations. (Here enter 9th July 1862. No. 4,422.)

Submitting a letter from the Collector of Salem, relative to the appointment of two Sub Magistrates, one at Salem and the other on the Shevaroy Hills. (Here enter 28th July 1862 No. 4883.)

In April 1860 Mr. Boalth was appointed Deputy Collector and Magistrate on the Shevaroy Hills with the additional powers of a District Munsif, and at the same time Government gave directions that part of his time in each week should be spent on the Hills, and part below, the days being fixed.

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Subsequently

*E. M. C. 13th April 1860. No. 560.

*E. M. C. 11th July 1861. No. 891

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Entered in the Book of Orders to the Board of Revenue Aug 1862 No 4422

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

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No.

Dated 6th June 1862.

Despatched

Received

No. 3,689.

Requesting a further Statement of the amount of work performed by Mr. Boalth, as Magistrate and District Moonsiff on the Shevaroy Hills.

Subsequently the Govt. saw reason to doubt whether there was any necessity for the retention of a special Deputy for the Shevaroy hills, and they accordingly* called for a statement of the work performed by him in his different capacities.

* E. M. C. 14th May

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5. The Govt propose to put Mr Boalth in charge of the Salem Treasury, and to remove Appasamy Mudaly, to Malabar to relieve C. Canaren of his general duties. It is of great consequence to get the Betut-maads and other escheats settled as soon as possible, and Canaren, it is understood, is well qualified for this duty. The Board will be so good as to submit their

if indeed any Officer of that grade is required. The Board will be so good as to give this subject further consideration, bearing in mind that the Deputy Collector in charge of the Treasury is always available for Magisterial work existing in the town of Salem.

First Mr B- could do the Magisterial duties of the District of Salem - & this would leave the Assistant at the

views on this proposal.

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1 Copy To the Honble C. Pelly. Dated 20th Augt
11 " " Board of Revenue with 1 original Enclosure
2 " " Accountant Genl
2 " " Civil Paymaster
2 " " Sub Treasurer 18 Nov.

Sub Magistrates for
Salem and Shevaroy Hills.

Revenue 1862 Departt.
Pro: of Govt. for August

No 1754.

Pro: of the Madras Govt
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11 Septr 62 C nos 2628 & 2629

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Passing orders on
Boards Proceedings sub-
mitting letters from Salem
Collector relative to the
appointment of a Sub
Magistrate at Salem
and on the Shevaroy Hills
respectively.

From Hon C. Pelly Dy
5th Janry 63 C nos 36

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28-11-62 ✓
23-12-12
10-5-15 ✓

Pro. No. 259
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