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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 13th August 1863.

No. 123. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 8th August 1863 :—

Read the following letter from W. M. CADELL, Esq., Collector of Tanjore, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Tanjore, 5th August 1863.

SIR,

1. With reference to paragraph 2 of the Board's Proceedings under date the 29th July, No. 4,805, I would take leave to observe that the present object is not to encourage trade, but to make up for an actual deficiency at our principal depôt in the existing means of meeting a want. As I have already informed the Board the stock of salt at the Negapatam Depôt is at present utterly insufficient to meet even the ordinary wants of the population, and these wants, I submit, Government, as having the Monopoly of the article in their own hands, are bound to provide for.

2. In a crisis like this, private enterprize can hardly be looked to, and from the conversation I lately had with the merchants engaged in the salt trade at Negapatam, I am quite satisfied that there is not the least guarantee that private traders will purchase and bring to market the required quantity of salt from Vadarniem, and much less that they will do so within the time required.

3. I would, therefore, take leave again strongly to urge the necessity of bringing the whole available quantity of the spontaneous salt from Vadarniem by sea, and to request that I may be authorized to take action in the matter at once.

4. I would here add that if the salt is to be so brought, it must be brought before the end of September, as when the north-east monsoon is set in it will be impossible to bring salt from the southward.

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1. The Board do not recognize the force of Mr. Cadell's arguments, and observe that it is merely a question as to who shall bear the cost of carriage from Vadarniem to Negapatam; for they do not understand that Mr. Cadell proposes to add to the monopoly price on this account, although of course the special temporary discount of Rupees 20 per Garce will not be allowed on the sales at Negapatam.

2. The Board would look at the question solely from a revenue point of view, and consider whether the sales are likely to be affected by the additional difficulty of obtaining the salt, to an extent which would more than counterbalance the charge for conveying it to Negapatam. They are not satisfied that this would be the case, and are disposed to believe that the salt being in the District, private enterprize would soon see the advantage to be obtained by conveying it to the place where the demands call for it.

3. The occasion on which salt was conveyed from Madras to Tanjore is scarcely analogous.

4. As, however, Mr. Cadell presses the measure so strongly, the Board resolve to submit the proposal for the decision of Government with copies of the previous correspondence.

5. Mr. Cadell has not mentioned how the necessary funds are to be provided; but the Board do not doubt that the Budget provision is ample for the purpose.

No. 124. ORDER THEREON, 13th August 1863, No. 1,494.

1. The Government have given their careful consideration to the papers submitted with these Proceedings, and adverting to the exceptional nature of the season which has stopped the manufacture of salt at the Negapatam Pans and the importance of having a stock of salt there for conveyance by the Railway into the interior, they give the Collector discretional authority to bring by sea 1,000 Garces of spontaneous salt from Vadarniem. The discount of 20 per cent. allowed at Vadarniem on this salt should be stopped, and the expense of conveyance will thus it appears be met.

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2. The canal from Vadarniem to Negapatam should be pushed on as fast as possible. Orders on this subject will be issued from the Public Works Department in continuation of the Order in that Department, dated 29th July 1863, No. 2,111.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,

Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
" Public Works Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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(A true Copy & Extract)

Secretary.

J. D Sim Esqr
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
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under the exceptional nature of the season which has stopped the manufacture & at the Negapatam ports & considering that there should be a stock of salt there for conveyance by the railway into the interior I would give the Collector discretional authority to bring by sea 1000 garces of Spontaneous salt from Vedaranium. The discount of 20 per cent allowed at Vedaranium on this salt should be stopped & the expense of conveyance will thus it appears be met. Hereafter private enterprize may bring this salt but the merchants show no signs yet of engaging in the traffic and in a season like the present when the manufacture is generally very short Govt should take measures to stock the

important central station like Hyde-
-putam, thence dealers can send
the salt inland by rail

J.P. order it be sent only
on Rev is no time
lost.

The Canal from Tadcaster to
Keyspatan should be pushed on
as fast as possible

J.P.

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(Here enter 9th August 1863)

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