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Government of Madras.

*Revenue* DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,  
31st August 1864.*

No. 421. Read the following letter from T. CLARKE, Esq., Member of the Board of Revenue, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Tranquebar, 23rd August 1864:—

Sir,

1. Having received the appended extract of a letter from J. D. Sim, Esq., to the Honorable C. Pelly, Esq., I feel it due to myself to represent to Government the extreme hardship which this order entails on me, not only exposing me to much needless expense, but also subjecting me to serious inconvenience.

2. I do not complain of the want of courtesy towards me in the manner in which the Order has been issued, without reference to me or consulting my feelings or wishes in the matter; the Government can issue their orders in the manner they deem most fitting; nor do I complain of public duty being made to give place to private convenience, that is a matter which falls within the province of the Government to decide; but I do complain that after having at much personal inconvenience and to the injury of my health endured much exposure and fatigue through a season of more than ordinary severity in order to advance the public interests, and bring to its close a work which I have been officially informed was one of importance, I should be called on to suspend it when the severity of the season has moderated, and should be compelled to proceed with and carry it through during some of the hottest months of next year.

3. As the Government may not be able to realize what I have done without seeing in detail the course of my travels, I beg to send them a table of my journey through the Northern Districts, and if desired, I will complete it for the South so far as I have proceeded; and it is to be recollected that I had to travel with six heavily laden carts with my tents and furniture, and that I could not do without them as I was usually encamped at the Salt works, in places without shelter of any kind, and where no accommodation was procurable but that furnished by my tents.

4. I may mention too that while the allowance granted to me by Government during my northern tour amounted to 1,200 Rupees, I had to pay in passage money and freight alone for myself, servants and baggage, 700 Rupees, leaving me 500 Rupees to pay for the whole of the expenses of my land trip from Ganjam to Nizampatam including the carriage of my tents and furniture.

5. In fact, not only have I been subjected to inconvenience and suffering, but to pecuniary loss by this special duty, and now I am required to undertake an expensive journey to Madras and back again, and this, not on the ground of public necessity.

6. As the Officer specially entrusted with the Department with which the duty on which I am now engaged is connected, I may perhaps be allowed to add that it appears to me very desirable that the inspection of the Salt works should not be delayed. Many improvements in which the convenience of the public and the interests of Government are involved are needed, and the sooner these improvements are matured and carried out, the better for the Government exchequer and the public welfare.

7. Further, I may add that questions of some importance relating to this District and Tinnevely are awaiting a report from me after I have visited these Districts.

8. I trust I may not be considered by Government to have exceeded the bounds of respect in submitting this explanation; but feeling that a serious injury would be inflicted on me were the order in question carried out, I did not deem it just to myself to maintain silence.

No. 422. ORDER THEREON, 31st August 1864, No. 1,570.

Separate Revenue, No. 93.

Salt.

1. The Governor in Council is at a loss to understand how Mr. Clarke with his lengthened official experience could look upon the note to which he alludes as an Order of Government. Mr. Clarke must be aware that Orders are not issued in the form of private notes nor sent through third parties.

*Tranquebar  
23rd August  
1864*

*J. D. Sim  
Member, B2 of Rev.*

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2. Under any circumstances there was no necessity for the communication above recorded. Mr. Clarke's simple assurance that the arrangement would be productive of public and private inconvenience would have been quite sufficient.

3. The Government are fully aware of the important and trying duty entrusted to Mr. Clarke and satisfied with his performance of it. It is with much regret therefore that they now have to remark on the highly improper as well as unfounded insinuation\* contained in paragraph 2 of his letter.

\* "Nor do I complain of public duty being made to give place to private convenience."

4. Mr. Clarke will proceed with his special duty.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.  
„ T. Clarke, Esq.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

3<sup>rd</sup> March. Gopalpore, evening, Chittoor. *Ganjam District.*  
4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> March. Ganjam, evening Rumbak.  
Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> Rumbak.  
Mon: morn: 7<sup>th</sup> Ganjam, evening, Chittoor.  
Tues: 8<sup>th</sup> Berhampore  
Wed & Thurs: 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Etchopore pass.  
Fri: 11<sup>th</sup> Kencilili; evening, Karipuram.  
Sat: 12<sup>th</sup> Karipuram, evening, Casibuga.  
Sun: 13<sup>th</sup> Casibuga.  
Mon: 14<sup>th</sup> Pitha Seekaly; evening Narpada.  
Tues & Wed: 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> Narpada; evening Gopalpore.  
Thurs: 17<sup>th</sup> Gopalpore, evening Narsimnapet.  
Fri: 18<sup>th</sup> Narsimnapet, evening Calingapatam.  
Sat: to Wed: 19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>, Calingapatam, detained 1 day by sickness & in writing the report.  
Thurs: 24<sup>th</sup> Nizambrath; evening Chicacole.  
Fri & Sat: 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> Chicacole, evening Coopilly.  
Sun: Thurs: 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> Coopilly. . . . . *Vizagapatam District.*  
Tues: 29<sup>th</sup> Cottapollim.  
Wed & Thurs: 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> Canada.  
Fri: 1<sup>st</sup> April. Bimlipatam, evening Vizagapatam.  
Sat: to Mon: 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> Vizagapatam, evening Karassa.  
Tues: 5<sup>th</sup> Karassa, evening Mellimashoo.  
Wed: to Fri: 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> Mellimashoo, evening Vizagapatam.  
Sat: to Tues: 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> Vizagapatam, evening, Cassimetta.  
Wed: 13<sup>th</sup> Cassimetta, evening, Pentacottah.  
Thurs: 14<sup>th</sup> Pentacottah, evening Copada.  
Fri: 15<sup>th</sup> Copada, evening Cananada.  
Sat to Mon: 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> Cananada. . . . . *Godavery District.*  
Tues: to Fri: 19<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>, Munugurum, inspecting Karapa salt works.  
Sat: to Mon: 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> Cananada.  
Tues & Wed: 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> Daulaishneram.  
Thurs & Fri: 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> Narsapur, evening Buntumilly.  
Sat: 30<sup>th</sup> April to Tues: 3<sup>rd</sup> May Buntumilly. . . . . *Kistna District.*  
Wed: to Fri: 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Munganaapudy, evening Maculipatam.  
Sat: to Mon: 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> Maculipatam, evening Nizampatam.  
Tues: to Fri: 10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> Nizampatam.  
Sat: 14<sup>th</sup> Maculipatam till Sat: 21<sup>st</sup> embarked for Madras.  
Sat: 22<sup>nd</sup> Madras.

From Ganjam  
23<sup>rd</sup> August  
1864

Shook.  
Rumber, 13<sup>th</sup> of 1864

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Proceedings of the Madras Government  
under date the 31<sup>st</sup> Augt 1864.  
Read the following letter from  
Mr J. Clarke Esq Member of the  
Bo of Revue

Explaining why he should  
not be required to suspend  
his tour through the Southern  
Salt Districts & return  
to Madras in consequence  
of Mr Kelly's leave of absence

Received  
23<sup>rd</sup> Augt 1864  
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14 Copies Taken of Rev. Mr. Clarke's Letter  
1 - Mr. Clarke's Letter

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Following orders on  
the 6. Clarke's Complaint  
brought on a private  
communication on the  
subject of resuming  
the visit at the Board  
before the 1st section  
of the State works is  
completed -

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