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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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No. 320. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 15th November 1864, No. 7,458.

Read the following letter from C. W. READE, Esq., Collecter of South Arcot, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cuddalore, 2nd November 1864, No. 212 :—

1. I have the honor to forward copy of a letter* with enclosure received from the Deputy Collector in charge of the salt, reporting a considerable loss of salt at the Killay Depôt caused by the unusual heavy rains which fell to the south of this District on the three days of the 17th, 18th, and 19th of last month.

* No. 158, dated 1st November 1864.

2. It is strange to me that Gundalum and Teagavelly have escaped with mere nominal damage as far as has been reported hitherto, while at Merkanum, our most important place of manufacture and storing, there has been no loss whatever owing to the comparatively little rain which fell in those parts, and to the extra height of the platforms on which the salt heaps are stacked.

Enclosure No. 1.

From MAHOMED ESUFF SAHIB, Deputy Collector of South Arcot, to C. W. READE, Esq., Collector of South Arcot, dated Cuddalore, 1st November 1864, No. 158.

1. In submitting the accompanying reports (to be returned) from the Salt Superintendent of Killay and the Tahsildar of Chellumbrum, I regret to have to report for your information the loss, by the late heavy rains, of 90 Garces of salt manufactured and stored this year at that station.

2. The loss thus sustained is the aggregate of the damage done to the heaps as specified in the annexed list. These heaps were all well secured and encased in mud as usual, and every precaution had been taken for their protection during the monsoon ; nevertheless the fall of rain there on the 18th and 19th ultimo was so heavy, accompanied with strong gusts of wind, as to pierce the coating and wash out the salt, while the platforms were surrounded by water in most places breast and neck high. Had it arisen a little higher it would have overflowed the platforms and washed out whole heaps.

3. The value of the loss to Government is Rupees 16,200.

4. At Teagavelly and Gundalum some of the heaps have also sustained some slight damage, particulars of which will be submitted in due course so soon as they are received from the Superintendents of these stations.

5. The heaps at Merkanum and Chunambet have however escaped, as the fall of rain there had been slight.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) C. W. READE, *Collector*.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

Loss to the heaps at Killay by the late heavy rains of the 18th and 19th October 1864.

Division.	Number of platforms.	Number of heaps.	Contents of the heap. Garce.	Loss. Garce.	Value.
Killay	1	1	10	1½	
		2	10	1¼	
		3	10	2¼	
		4	10	1½	
		5	10	3¼	
		6	10	1½	
		7	10	2¾	
		8	10	½	
		9	10	1½	
	...	...	...	16	Fresh salt manufactured and stored this year at the station.
	2	1	10	2⅛	
		2	10	2½	
		3	10	3	
	...	...	...	8	
Tillayvadangen... ...	1	1	10	3½	
		2	10	3	
		3	10	4	
		4	10	1¾	
	...	...	...	12¼	
Nuckundencoody... ...	1	1	10	½	
		2	10	16/5	
		3	10	3⅜	
		4	10	0	
		5	10	¼	
		6	10	1¼	
		7	10	4	
		8	10	4	
		9	10	4	
		10	10	3½	
		11	10	2½	
		12	10	3	
	...	...	...	26 16/15	
Partial heap	2	4	0	1	
		5	10	2	
		6	10	3	
		7	10	½	
		8	10	⅜	
		9	10	2	
		10	10	2½	This salt was supplied from Markanum.
		11	10	¼	
		12	10	2	
		13	10	2¼	
		14	10	3	
		15	10	2¾	
		16	10	¾	
		17	10	4	
Partial heap		18	0	1	
	...	...	...	27 3/4	
Grand Total...	...	...	...	90 30/11	

(Signed) MAHOMED ESUFF, *Deputy Collector.*

(True Copy.)

(Signed) C. W. READE, *Collector.*

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
25th November 1864.

Submitted for the information of Government. The Board are glad to learn that the principal places of salt manufacture have escaped the visitation, or the loss might have been much more serious. The Collector should take the earliest opportunity of renewing the supply at the Killay Pans.

No. 321. ORDER THEREON, 25th November 1864, No. 2,163.

Separate Revenue, No. 14.
Salt.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Under Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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(True Copies and Extract.)

Sub-Secretary.

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

Copy to C. W. Reade, Esq., Collector of South Arcot.

Exd. J. Wright.

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Proc. of Govt for 4 Nov.

No. 3028.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 15*th November* 1864.

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No. 7,458.

Submitting for information letter from the Collector of South Arcot forwarding copy of a letter from the Salt Deputy Collector reporting a considerable loss of Salt at the Killay Depot.

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Ellr 25 Novr 1864.

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