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No. 362. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th February 1864:—

Read the following letter from W. M. CADELL, Esq., Collector of Tanjore, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Negapatam, 13th February 1864, No. 37.

SIR,

1. With reference to the Board's Order of the 5th instant, communicating the Proceedings of Government, dated the 2nd idem, No. 188, I have the honor to report that as I have already stated in my letter of the 5th instant, No. 28, the quantity of the spontaneous Salt brought and stored at Negapatam was 283 $\frac{7}{16}$ Garces. The stock in hand as per returns received up to the 5th instant, is 73¼ Garces of the said spontaneous Salt and 31 Garces of manufactured Salt. The stock during each of the last three months was as shown in the margin.

		Garces.
On	1st November 1863 ...	301
,,	,, December ,, ...	242¼
,,	,, January , 1864 ...	179¼

2. I am now with my Office at Negapatam, and the Board may rely on my using my best exertions for the manufacture of Salt at that station for the current season being vigorously carried on with a view to replenish the stores. I must, however, take leave again to state that with the present rate of Kudivarum, I am not very sanguine that this object can be realized. From my letter of the 26th September last, No. 346, it will be clear to the Board that the difficulties attendant on the conveyance and delivery of Salt into the stores at Negapatam are sufficient under ordinary circumstances to form a drawback to the manufacture, and when to these is added the immense increase in the rate of wages which has latterly taken place at this station (and which is not likely to fall), it is obvious that the Mirassidars cannot by any possibility derive any thing like an adequate profit from the present Kudivarum.

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1. The Collector should give his best attention to Vadarnium, as the main source of supply for the extensive demand which the extension of the Great Southern India Railway may be expected to create.

2. The Board attach much importance to the fullest possible development of the Vadarneum supply both of spontaneous and manufactured Salt, and rely on Mr. Cadell's best exertions to effect this.

No. 363. ORDER THEREON, 25th February 1864, No. 344.

1. The Board will ascertain the quantity of Salt conveyed inland monthly by the Railway Company.

2. The Government observe that Mr. Betts states the merchants were unable last month to obtain a supply of *saleable* Salt from the Government Depôt. The Government wish to know whether the quality of the Salt in store was of so inferior a description as not to be saleable.

3. A sufficient supply of good Salt must be provided at Negapatam as soon as practicable, but the Government doubt whether until the Canal between Vadarnium and Negapatam is open, Salt can be supplied from the former as certainly and economically as from the latter.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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(A true Copy & Extract.)
(Signed) W. Huddleston.
Secretary.

To
H. M. Cadell Esqre
Collector of Tanjore.

(True Copy.)
Secretary.

To
J. D. Sim Esqre
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

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