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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
23rd March 1864.*

No. 309. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Works
Department:—

Referring for consideration a letter from the Collector of
Tanjore, received through the Superintending Engineer,
6th Division, stating that there is no use in undertaking
the extension of Salt Platforms at Negapatam until it is
finally decided whether Negapatam is to be retained as
the principal station of manufacture. } (Here enter 18th March 1864, No: 829.)

No. 310. ORDER THEREON, 23rd March 1864, No. 516.
Referred to the Board of Revenue for report.
(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue with Proceedings Public Works Department, No. 829.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
18th March 1864.*

No. 445. Read the following letter from Captain J. BEAN, R. E., Officiating Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Tanjore, 11th March 1864, No. 2,086:—

SIR,

1 Copy of a letter.

• Letter dated 18th February 1864, No. 1,909.

1. I have the honor to reply to your Memorandum No. 25, dated 24th February 1864, calling for certain information regarding an Estimate of Rupees 1,660, submitted* by me for the extension of the Negapatam Salt Platform.

2. As the Salt Budget of 1864-65 was prepared by the Collector of Tanjore, I applied to him to know whether the above Estimate had any connection with that for Rupees 2,000, entered in the Imperial Budget for the same year, and I beg to send copy of his reply,† in which he states that this latter Estimate was framed for the construction of a road to the same Salt Platform but forms no portions of the former one.

3. Though Mr. Cadell, as stated in my previous letter, requested me to obtain the immediate sanction of Government for this Estimate, I beg to point out, as I observe Government has sanctioned the Estimate in Order No. 614 of the 3rd instant, received yesterday, that the Collector now states that the execution of this work will be of no use unless Negapatam is retained as the principal station of manufacture.

4. The Budget allotment of Rupees 650, under the head Revenue "Salt," has, since the date of my previous letter, been appropriated for the repairs of the banks round the Salt Pans at Vedarneum, so that there only remain the sum‡ of Rupees 1016, to meet the outlay on this Estimate, which I would recommend should be appropriated accordingly, the balance being sanctioned from the Reserve or allowed to stand over for execution until the 1st of May next, as we shall now have difficulty in expending the whole amount.

From W. M. CADELL, Esq., Collector of Tanjore, to Captain J. BEAN, R. E., Officiating Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, dated Tanjore, 8th March 1864, No. 59.

SIR,

1. With reference to your letters marginally noted, I have the honor to state that the extension of Vadi No. III at Negapatam forms no part of the Estimate of Rupees 2,000 entered in the Budget of Salt works for 1864-65. The Estimate last mentioned was

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intended for forming a road direct from the Salt Pans to the said Vadi, and was entered in the Budget with one of Rupees 3,000 for a bridge on the road so formed over the river Kodamurutti.

2. In the sanctioned Budget, however, I see only the Estimate for the road entered without that for the bridge. Without the latter, however, I can see no use of the road. My object in proposing these works was to provide easy means for the conveyance of Salt from the Pans to the Vadi close to the Railway Station, and to avoid the present detour partly by land and partly by water, as also the necessity for crossing the river by boats.

3. For the extension of the Vadi above mentioned a sum of only Rupees 750 was entered in the Budget (Part II), and I find it has been sanctioned. It is for this same work that the Estimate of Rupees 1,660, referred to in your letters under acknowledgment, has been submitted from your Office.

4. As the last mentioned work is intended to be carried out from funds available for the current year, sanction may be obtained for the same accordingly, and the sum of Rupees 750 allowed for the same work in the next year's Budget together with that of Rupees 2,000 above-mentioned can be applied to the improvements referred to in paragraph 2 of your letter of the 26th ultimo. There appears to me, however, no use in undertaking these improvements, and even the extension of the Vadi itself under the Estimate for Rupees 1,660 which you have submitted for sanction out of the fund available for the current year, until it is finally decided whether Negapatam is to be retained as our principal station of manufacture.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
18th March 1861.*

5. The Board of Revenue have directed that Vedarneum should be looked to as the main source of supply, and have apparently declined to sanction the recommendation made by me for raising the rate of Kudivaram or hire for manufacture at Negapatam, and which at present is so unremunerative that it is obvious that the manufacture at this station must be abandoned unless it is raised.

6. I have, however, again addressed the Board urging on them the absolute necessity which exists for the Kudivaram being raised, and I hope to be able to communicate the result to you shortly.

7. As requested in your letter of the 27th ultimo, I forward herewith my Office copies of the two parts of the Salt Budget* for 1861-63, and which you will observe were submitted with the approval of Captain Foord.

* Requested to be returned.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. DEAN, Captain, R. E.,
Offg. Superintending Engineer, 6th Division.

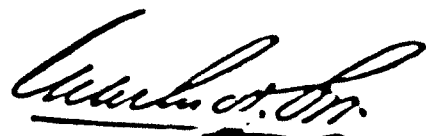
No. 446.

ORDER THEREON, 18th March 1861, No. 829.

1. In Proceedings No. 363, dated 1st March 1861, Revenue Department, the Government sanctioned an Estimate submitted by the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, amounting to Rupees 1,660 for extending one of the Salt Platforms at Negapatam.

2. In his letter No. 59, dated 8th March 1861, enclosed in that from the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, recorded above, the Collector of Tanjore states that there is no use in undertaking the extension of the Platform in question "until it is finally decided whether Negapatam is to be retained as the principal station of manufacture." This question will be referred to the Revenue Department for consideration.

(True Extract)



Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division.
" Revenue Department.

Ed. S. T. Augustin.

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Proceedings of the
Indians Court in
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Dated 1863 from
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No. 829.

To J. B. Smith
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From Lt. George
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