

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	1676	Press Mis.
Dated	6-7-	1886

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
6th July 1866.*

No. 140. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 21st June 1866, No. 4,238.

Read the following letter from the Acting Sub-Collector in charge of Tinnevely, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 29th May 1866, No. 204 :—

1. With reference to paragraph 2 of the Order of Government, dated 25th April 1866, No. 972, calling for a report as to how much the salt in store at Manjancolam cost Government, and why so large a quantity was stored at so petty and inaccessible a place, I have the honor to report that the total cost of the 3,00,243 Maunds, to which, since the previous letter, the stock has been reduced, was 28,148 Rupees, or Anna 1-6 per Maund.

2. On examining the returns it appears that in Fuslies 1271, 1272, and 1273, enormous quantities were manufactured.

3. This was about the time that great efforts were made by Government to stimulate the manufacture, and the great producing capabilities of this pan appear then to have been tried to their utmost.

4. This was before the salt was placed under the present Salt Deputy Collector, and the pan in question was at that time under the charge of the Deputy Collector, Mr. Underwood.

5. In 1864, Mr. Clarke, in his letter, dated 22nd November 1864, strongly condemned the practice which had hitherto prevailed of closing the sales at adjoining pans, in order to increase those at this, as also that of obliging exporters to take salt from this pan, and these practices were accordingly discontinued.

6. Left to its own merits as a Depôt, the sales at once fell off, and though the manufacture in Fusly 1274 was only 9,474 Maunds, and was afterwards discontinued, the present accumulation remains.

7. The cost of shipping this salt at this station is estimated so high as 55,000 Rupees, or 10,000 Rupees more than the export price.

1. Submitted to Government, with reference to paragraph 2 of their Proceedings, dated 25th April 1866, No. 972.

2. The facts disclosed in the foregoing letter shew what objections exist to the system of opening and keeping up stores by forced sales, to the inconvenience of purchasers and the loss of Government.

No. 141. ORDER THEREON, 6th July 1866, No. 1,676.

Separate Revenue, No. 7.
Salt.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Pro 25 April 1866-1897-8

Rev. 1866. Department.
Pro of Govt for July

No. 1831.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated 21st June 1866.

Dep. Secy
Rev. Secy

No. 4,238.

Submitting with remarks letter from Acting
Sub-Collector in charge of Tinnevely reporting
cost to Government of salt in store at Munjan-
colum and stating why so large a quantity was
stored at that station.

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6th July 1866

14th Dec 28 of Nov 1867

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