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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Dated 8-9- 1866.

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No. 228. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 22nd August 1866 :—

1. With reference to the Order of Government, dated 1st March 1866, No. 534, paragraph 1, I have the honor, by desire of the Board of Revenue, to forward the new monthly returns of the Trade of the Madras Presidency for May 1866, for transmission to the Government of India.

2. The returns have been prepared in accordance with the forms furnished with the Proceedings of the Government of India, dated 25th October 1865, No. 3,138, with the exception of the comparison prescribed between the figures for the current year and for the two preceding years. The District forms now prescribed are entirely different from those hitherto in use ; for instance, the quantity of "Cotton Piece Goods" in the revised forms are required in different denominations, while that given in the old returns is only in "Pieces," under the designation of "dyed," "printed," and "plain." In the revised forms the descriptions of these goods are also different. Moreover, manufactures of Flax were hitherto classed under Cotton Piece Goods ; but they are now required to be shewn separately. In like manner, the quantities of most of the articles imported and exported are required to be shewn in the new forms, but this information cannot be obtained for several of the articles entered in the returns hitherto adopted. Under these circumstances, it will be impracticable to give the comparisons for the whole of this official year.

3. Referring to Statement No. ½, it will be seen that the quantities entered in the columns noted in the margin are precisely the same, except in the case of Wines and Spirits given under the major head "Liquors," which differ.

Quantity landed.	Quantity entered for Home Consumption.

4. It is not possible to ascertain the entire quantity and value of goods landed at the several ports in any one month, as the Manifest and landing account of a vessel simply give the marks and numbers of the packages, and sometimes the description, but not the value ; and the actual contents and value of any package cannot be ascertained at the Custom Houses, until an application is presented to pass it out for home consumption, or into bond. Consequently the entries in the first column contain all goods landed and passed from the Custom House, including those sent into bond, and the second exhibits those passed out for home consumption, including goods from bond.

5. From the headings in the Returns Nos. ½ and 11, it is observed that the first form is intended to exhibit only the quantities of foreign merchandize, and the second the value, but in the body of the former the value of all the articles is also required to be shewn, and in the latter the quantities of certain articles only. The Statements have been prepared accordingly. It must, however, be observed that all the free and dutiable articles entered in the Statements Nos. ½ and 10, do again appear in Statement No. 11. If this latter Statement is made to shew the quantities of all articles, instead of only some of them, it would be complete in every respect, and the Statements Nos. ½ and ¼ might be safely dispensed with, to avoid mere repetition.

6. A few articles which are enumerated have been included in the Statements, as their annual values exceed Rupees 5,000, and an explanatory note has been appended to each entry in the returns.

* Statement of duty collected on each article of Imports and Exports at each District of the Madras Presidency.
Do. of refunds and drawbacks paid monthly at each District of the Madras Presidency.

7. Besides the returns above referred to, those* called for in paragraphs 36 and 37 of the Resolution of the Government of India, dated 25th October 1865, are also forwarded. The Price Current alluded to in paragraph 38 of the Resolution has been already despatched.

† Madras.

Ganjam.....	Ganjam.
	Munsoorcottah.
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Godavery.....	Cocanada.
	Coringa.
Kistna.....	Masulipatam.
Tanjore.....	Negapatam.
Tinnevelly.....	Tuticorin.
Malabar.....	Cannanore.
	Cochin.
	Calicut.
	Beypoor.
	Tellicherry.
South Canara...	Mangalore.

8. With reference to paragraph 1 of the Order of Government, dated 22nd May 1866, No. 1,215, separate returns shewing the value and duty of the principal articles of trade at some of the important ports† in the Districts are herewith submitted.

9. The delay in transmitting the returns for the first month is chiefly attributed to the revised froms not having been properly understood by the Sea Custom Superintendents in the interior, and to the Statements received from some Districts having to be returned from revision. Moreover, a portion of the Account Department was engaged in compiling the annual Trade Returns of 1865-66 for the Home Government. The Establishment being short-handed, difficulty is felt in compiling the returns in proper time, though no pains is spared to complete them as early as possible.

No. 229. ORDER THEREON, 8th September 1866, No. 2,422.

Separate Revenue, No. 9.
Customs.

1. Ordered that the returns be forwarded to the Government of India, together with a copy of this letter.

2. The Board should have submitted a list of the returns.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
8th September 1866.

No. 2,423.

No. 230.
To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

Separate Revenue, No. 10.
Customs.

1. I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to forward herewith the Trade and Navigation Returns of this Presidency for May last, as per annexed list, together with copies of an explanatory letter from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd August 1866; and of the Proceedings of Government, dated 22nd May 1866, No. 1,215, in which they authorized a slight change in the Statement required in paragraph 36 of the Resolution of the Government of India, dated 25th October 1865, No. 3,138.

2. The Board explain in paragraph 9 the cause of the delay in the preparation of these returns.

3. Referring to paragraph 40 of the Resolution of the Government of India above alluded to, regarding the comparison of the figures given in these returns with those for the two previous years, I am directed to request attention to paragraph 2 of the Board's letter, and to add that, under the circumstances stated therein, the Government agree in considering it impracticable to shew the comparison in question for the whole of the current official year.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

LIST.

1. An account of the quantities of Imports and consumption of articles of Foreign Merchandize into the Ports of the Madras Presidency in the month ended 31st May 1866.
2. An account of the quantities of do. do. do.
3. An account of the declared real value of articles of Foreign Merchandize imported into the Ports of the Madras Presidency in the month ended 31st May 1866.
4. Exports Foreign Merchandize.
5. Exports to Foreign Ports of Indian Produce and Manufactures.
6. An account of the number and tonnage of vessels, distinguishing their nationality, which entered inwards and cleared outwards with cargoes (including their repeated voyages) into and from the Port of the Madras Presidency in the month ended 31st May 1866.
7. Arrivals and Departures of vessels employed in the Foreign Trade.
8. Principal articles of Import.
9. Imports and Exports Gold and Silver.
10. Imports Coasting Trade.
11. Exports Coasting Trade.
12. Goods transhipped under Bond to other Presidencies.
13. Imports and Exports of Treasure.
14. An account of the number and tonnage of vessels, distinguishing British, British Indian, Foreign, and Native Craft employed in the Coasting trade with other Presidencies and Provinces, shewing those which entered inwards and cleared outwards with cargoes at Ports of the Madras Presidency in the month ended 31st May 1866.
15. Statement shewing the amount of duty collected on each article of import at certain Districts of the Madras Presidency from Foreign and Indian Ports in the month ended 31st May 1866.
16. Statement shewing the amount of duty collected on each article of exports at certain Districts of the Madras Presidency to Foreign and Indian Ports in the month ended 31st May 1866.
17. Refunds and Drawbacks.
18. Statement shewing the principal articles of import into the important Ports of certain Districts of the Madras Presidency from Foreign and Indian Ports in the month ended 31st May 1866.
19. Statement shewing the principal articles of export from the important Ports of certain Districts of the Madras Presidency to Foreign and Indian Ports in the month ended 31st May 1866.

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Ordered that the returns be forwarded to the Govt. of India together with a copy of this letter.

The Bd. should have submitted a list of the returns.

8th Septr 66

16 Copies to the Bd of Revenue Sept 9 66

Pro 1st March 1866 nr. 8-9
22 May — 393-4.

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Pro of Govt for Sept
No. 2721.

From
The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
To
The Secretary to Govt
Revenue Depart.

Dated 22
Recd 22 August 1866.
Rec. 23d
Copy Sent to Govt

Forwarding for transmission to Government of India new monthly returns of the Trade of Madras Presidency for May 1866.

No 228-229.

No 2422-8 Sept

William Arbuthnot

Revenue Department
8th Septr 1866.

No 2423.

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The Secretary to the
Government of India
Financial Department

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Revenue 1866 Dec 11th
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No 2423

To
The Government
of India
Fort St George

Sir

I have the Honor

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Fort St George
the 26th Dec 1866

Forwarding to Port
Blair the Trade
Returns & Manifestos
of the Steamers
Residency.

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