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ADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Dated 19-11-1866.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
19th November 1866.

No. 441. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th November 1866, No. 7,997:—

Read again letter from the Collector of Nellore, dated 5th September 1866, recorded in Board's Proceedings, 13th September 1866, No. 6,558.

Read also the following letter from the Acting Mint Master, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 18th October 1866, No. 175.

1. With reference to Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 6,558, of the 13th ultimo, I have the honor to state that zinc coverings would be very useful to protect the Salt-weighing Machines from the injurious effects of the weather.

2. To ascertain the best method of making them and the cost, I have had one made up at the Mint, and find that each cover can be turned out of the Mint for 30 Rupees.

3. The frame of the cover is made of iron, and the whole weight does not exceed 100 lbs., and is herewith sent for the Board's inspection.

Enclosure No. 1.—Pattern cover.

1. The sanction of Government will be requested to the supply of zinc covers for all the Salt-weighing Machines in use.

2. The expense will be comparatively trifling, and the necessity of protecting the Machines in order to maintain them in efficient working order, is unquestionable.

3. The supply had better be made from the Mint, where the Machines are manufactured.

4. The pattern cover will be returned to the Mint.

No. 442. Order thereon, 19th November 1866, No. 3,155.

Separate Revenue, No. 18.
Salt.

The Board's recommendation is sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Accountant General.
„ the Mint Master.

Exd. J. Tullo[illegible]

No. 6,558.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 13th September 1866.

Read the following letter from T. A. N. CHASE, Esq., Acting Collector of Nellore, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 5th September 1866, No. 283:—

1. I have the honor to submit, for the sanction of the Board, the accompanying copy of a letter, No. 298, of the 31st ultimo, from the Deputy Collector in charge of the Salt Department, proposing covers similar to the enclosed sketch for protecting the new weighing machines.

2. The estimated cost, it will be observed, is Rupees 1,133. The proposed covers will be more effectual than what can be made at the Salt Divisions with sticks and thatch.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From Mr. C. E. PLUNKETT, English Head Clerk, in temporary charge, Salt Department, Nellore, to the Acting Collector of Nellore, dated 31st August 1866, No. 298.

1. Adverting to Mr. Dykes's letter, No. 835, of the 18th December last, I have the honor to inform you that Mr. R. Smith, Executive Engineer and Officer in charge of the Public Works Shop, Nellore, proposes covers similar to the enclosed sketch for the new weighing machines. The frame-work will be of teak, and the covering of sheet zinc, the weight of the whole being about 235 lbs.

2. Mr. Smith strongly recommends zinc covering being adopted in preference to tarpaulin, as proposed by the Acting Deputy Collector, Mr. Freer, as zinc costs less and would last much longer.

3. The cost of each cover is estimated at Rupees 51½, which would be Rupees 1,133 for the twenty-two new machines received from Madras and at present in use in the Salt Department.

4. The adoption of the zinc coverings, from their being less expensive and more durable, appears to me better than the proposal for tarpaulin covers, approved of in Mr. Dykes's letter under reference, and I beg to recommend it for your favorable consideration, and request that you will be pleased to obtain the early sanction of the Board to the same, as the north-east monsoon is fast approaching and it is necessary the machines should be secured from the effects of the weather as much as possible.

5. I am not aware that there is any provision in the Budget for the proposed charge, under the head of "Salt," but it could doubtless be met from savings in other items.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) T. A. N. CHASE,
Acting Collector.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—Sketch.

The opinion of the Mint Master will be requested as to this proposal and as to the best mode of protecting the weighing Machines manufactured by him for the Salt Department.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary.

To the Acting Mint Master,
with a sketch to be returned.

Copy to the Acting Collector of Nellore.

Exd. J. Wright.

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To Board's Recm:

recommended in consequence.

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The Secy: to Govt: of India
Fin: Dept:

5 " Asst: Genl: Ry: Engrs:

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 13*th September* 1866.

No. 6,558.

Requesting opinion of Mint Master on proposal of Deputy Collector in charge of Salt Department, Nellore, to use zinc covering for protecting the new Salt Weighing Machines.