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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Revenue Department

N^o
Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 9th July 1868.

Read the following letter.

N^o 625.

From
J. Hunter Blair Esq.
Collector of Sea Customs

To
A. Macgregor Esq.
Secretary, Board of Revenue

Sir
Board's Proceedings N^o 3817 dated 23rd May
1868, and 9th Instant.

I have the honor to forward for
the Board's approval, a draft Notification
regarding Iron, which I propose to insert in
the Gazette &c.

Sea Customs House,

Madras,

10th June 1868.

I have &c.

Signed J. H. Blair

Collector Sea Customs.

Submitted for the sanction of

Government.

(True Copy and Extract)

To
The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.
With an Enclosure.

Capt. W. Locker

Capt. by L. Governor

of

1872/68
1992

15th September
walked

Notice.

1. Notice is hereby given that from the 1st August next all Iron when landed must be brought into the new Enclosure, north of the Pier, by the East Gate.

2. Consignees must make arrangements with Commanders and Ship's Agents for sorting, counting or weighing, delivering and removing their Iron.

3. A Customs Officer will be stationed at the West Gate of the Enclosure, to pass out all Iron.

4. Iron may remain in the Enclosure for 7 clear days, after landing, free of charge, a daily fine according to the number of bars and bundles remaining, will be levied on Iron not removed within that time.

Sea Customs House,

Madras,

10th June 1868 -

Signed J. A. Blair

Collector Sea Customs.

(Attended)

Attest
By Secretary.

Ced. E. Locker

of

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
18th July 1868.*

No. 344. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 9th July 1868 :—

Read the following letter from the Collector of Sea Customs, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Madras, 10th June 1868, No. 645.

1. Board's Proceedings, No. 3,817, dated 23rd May 1868, and 9th instant.
2. I have the honor to forward, for the Board's approval, a draft Notification regarding Iron, which I propose to insert in the Gazette, &c.

NOTICE.

1. NOTICE is hereby given that from the 1st September next all Iron, when landed, must be brought into the new walled enclosure north of the Pier, by the east gate.
2. Consignees must make arrangements with Commanders and Ships' Agents for sorting, counting or weighing, delivering, and removing their Iron.
3. A Custom Officer will be stationed at the west gate of the enclosure to pass out all Iron.
4. Iron may remain in the enclosure for seven clear days, after landing, free of charge ; a daily fine, according to the number of bars and bundles remaining, will be levied on Iron not removed within that time.

MADRAS,
10th June 1868.

(Signed) J. H. BLAIR,
Collector of Sea Customs.

Submitted for the sanction of Government.

No. 345. ORDER THEREON, 18th July 1868, No. 1,992.

Miscellaneous.

1. The Government approve of the draft Notification with one verbal amendment.
2. The date will be altered from 1st of August to 1st of September, as the paper has been delayed for a month in the Board's Office.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Ed. F. R. Bantleman.

C. N. 2352

Memoandum.

I see all right -
I have however added the
word "walled" W.D.

W.D.

I think so
W.D.

The proposed
notification is cir-
-culated for the ap-
-proval of Govt.

It will be ob-
-served that the date
fixed for the intro-
-duction of the new
system is the 1st of
August - It would en-
perhaps be as well
to postpone it until
the 1st of September, &
to notice the delay of
the paper for upwards
of

of a month in the
Board's office which
makes this postpone-
ment necessary.

The circumstances
under which the change
of practice has been
sanctioned are as fol-
lows:-

Early in 1866 the
Collector of Sea Customs
brought to the notice
of the Board the incon-
venience experienced
by his department
owing to the admission
of Iron into the Custom
House yard. This
letter was referred to
the Chamber of Commerce,
who

who expressed the
strongest objections
to any change in the
existing practice.

The Board ac-
cordingly postponed
any immediate action
on the Collector's pro-
posals but pointed
out to the Chamber
that it was highly
desirable that the
trade of Madras should
adopt such measures
as would render them
independent of the
Custom House ac-
commodation in
regard

regard to the storage
of Iron.

Nearly a year
after this expression
of opinion the Collector
of Sea Customs again
brought the subject
forward, stating that
nothing had been done
by the mercantile com-
munity towards relieving
the Custom House of
the iron, and the Board
authorised him to notify
that no iron would be
received into the Custom
House after the 31st of
December 1867.

Shortly afterwards the Chamber
entered

entered into communication
with the Collector of Sea
Customs on the subject,
and he eventually submitted
proposals for building an
open yard, at Government
expense, in the vicinity of
the Custom House, for the
reception of the iron, on
the understanding that the
mercantile
community would
take measures for the
care of it and for its
delivery to consignees.
Mr. Blair's recommendation
was approved of by the
Board and a sum of Rs.
1,830 was sanctioned by
Government for the consti-
tution of the yard.

The yard was nearly
completed in March last
but

but on Mr Blair's appli-
cation to the Chamber of
Commerce to have a weighing
shed and machine erected,
they declined to do so, stating
that he had misunderstood
the terms on which the
Chamber had proposed
that the yard should
be constructed. Mr Blair
represented the matter to
the Board who ruled that the
weighment of the iron
was not necessary for the
collection of the customs
dues upon it the charge for
the weighing shed he
could not be met by
Government. Mr Blair
was accordingly directed
to let the matter drop, leaving
it to the parties interested
to

Why did Mr Blair have
declined this, as he states that
it is laid on the
invoice weight? W.D.M.

Mr B. had been in personal
communication with the Chairman,
but he had addressed the Chamber
giving his impression of the
arrangement settled, to which
no reply was sent for some months.

Such weighing as
takes place is for the satisfaction
of agents & consignees,
absolutely.

to put up the weighing
machines and sheds. To the
Board's proposal that the
use of the yard should
be optional with consignees
the Collector objected that
as all iron had to be passed
according to number and
size it was necessary to
have it all brought to
one place.

P.H.

Edith Ball

Memorandum
Regarding Notifn. about
Levon.

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List
Reminders

for

No. 1992

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RWD
18 July/68

14 To Bd of Revenue Sept 20.
with amended notification

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Pro 8 June/68. N^o 182-3
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Pro of Govt for July
N^o 2352.

Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue

Dated 9th
Disp^d 9 } July 1868.
Rec^d 10th

E.L.L. N^o

Submitting for sanction
letter from Collector of Sea
Customs, forwarding for
Board's approval, a draft Note
of appreciation regarding Iron which
he proposes to insert in the
Gazette.

N^o 344-345

N^o 1992-18 July

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