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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 7th October 1868.

No. 130. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th September 1868, No. 6,539 :—

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Nellore, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 7th August 1868, No. 2,792.

1. The Salt Deputy Collector reported to me, on 13th June, that the new work done to the platforms at Biramgunta, had been much damaged by the rain of the 4th, 5th, and 6th, and that salt estimated at ninety-five Maunds had been destroyed.

2. Subsequently, after inquiry on 26th June, he again reported that he found it was customary for the ryots of this division, from time to time, to extend the platforms, and repair them at their own cost, with the permission of the officers of the Salt Department, and that this loss had occurred in heaps stored on badly raised platforms which sank. He further points out that No. 4, Gudivada platform, was entirely raised by the ryots; that it was recommended to be given up by the Honorable T. Clarke; that, with a view to carry on this work, in 1866-67 Rupees 750 were sanctioned for the extension of the other three platforms, but the money was allowed to lapse.

3. I beg to submit, herewith, for sanction, another estimate, prepared by Mr. Freer, and countersigned by the Superintending Engineer, to the amount of Rupees 6,745 for this work.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Estimate.

1. Submitted for the sanction of Government.

2. The ryots should no longer be required to repair salt platforms.

No. 131. ORDER THEREON, 7th October 1868, No. 2,582.

Separate Revenue, No. 4.
Salt.

1. The estimate submitted with these Proceedings is approved and transmitted to the Public Works Department.

2. The Collector reports that ninety-five Maunds of salt were destroyed in the heaps stored on certain platforms repaired by the ryots "at their own cost," according to custom, at the station of Biramagunta, and with the permission of the officers of the Salt Department, and the Board dispose of the matter with the remark that "the ryots should no longer be required to repair salt platforms." The local Officers and the Board appear to have overlooked the rule laid down in the year 1862. In their Order dated 12th May* 1862, No. 1,043, the Government observed that "in several districts various duties connected with the storing, &c., of salt are exacted from the manufacturers without special remuneration," and ruled that "they should be required to provide labor for covering the heaps and *repairing the platforms*, main channels,

* See page 208 of the revised edition of the Board's Circular Orders.

and other works at the station, *receiving payment for such duties.*" This order appears to have been overlooked in the case under notice. The Board will call upon the Acting Collector to obtain an explanation on the subject from the Salt Deputy Collector, and submit it without delay.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Public Works Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Revenue Department

No. 2582

Proceedings of the Madras Govt.

Under date the 7th October 1868.

Read the following Report

Endorsement of the Board of

Revenue.

Submitting to Govt. letter from the Collector of Nellore reporting damage done to salt platforms at Biramagum: = to by heavy fall of rain and sub: = mitting estimate for extension of certain platforms.

(Rec'd under 14 September 1868 No. 2539)

The estimate submitted with Proceedings is returned and transmitted to the Public Works Department.

2. The Collector reports that 93 animals of salt cultivators destroyed in the Sangam district by cattle disease (rinderpest) by the 15th ult. All were over 2 years old: = ing to cause of the destruction Biramagunta, and the Revenue Officers of the Salt = partment of the Board disbursed of Rs. 1,395 with interest at the [illegible]

the

Govt. of {1868} Madras.

REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

&c., &c., &c.

Dated October, 7th.

Recd. *Encl.*

G. O., 7th October 1868, *No.* 2,582.

OCTOBER.

Nos. 130-131.

Biramagunta Salt Platforms in Nellore District.—Estimate for repairing and extending them approved and transmitted to Public Works Department. Collector to explain in having overlooked the rule which requires ryots to provide labor for repairing platforms.

"the ryots should no longer be required to repair Salt plat= forms." The local Officers and the Board have overlooked the rule laid down in the year 1862. In their order dated 12th May 1862 ft: 4063 the Govt observed that "in several Districts various duties connected with the storing &c of salt are exacted from the manufacturers without special remuneration" and ruled that "they should be required to provide labor for covering the heaps and repairing the platforms, main channels and other works at the station re= =ceiving payment for such duties." This order has been clearly violated in the case under notice, and the Officers of the Dept have expressly permitted the violation. The Board will call upon the Collector to procure an explanation on the subject from

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dt 7th October 1868.

Pro Board of Revenue
dt 27 November 1868 No. 3724

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