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No 2199.

DECEMBER.

Nos. 357-358.

Cholangy bar.—Board to report, with reference to the proposal to dredge it, to what extent the salt sales have been affected, and to submit a return of all sales at the pans during the last five years.

Godavery District
By Collectors Office
No 6 Pennygudem 6th February 1866.

From
G. Pantaya Pantulu
Deputy Collector Incharge of
the Salt department.

To
J Fraser Esqre
Collector Godavery District

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a letter No 678 dated 29th ultimo addressed to me by Mr Sage Executive Engineer No 1. Ranga & also the correspondance (to be returned when done with) passed between the two and that Gentleman on the subject of supplying a Steam Dredge for your consideration

2 On perusal of the above documents you will observe, that since 9th October last Mr Sage is promising to send a dredge to work off mouth of the Vasalanggy River, which is silted up and thereby the supply of water to the minor Channels becomes scanty

3 Mr Sage, in his letter No 678, writes, he cannot send one, unless I am willing to take there responsibility

64 cawdies across bar by hand labor.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obt Servant
Signed J.G.S. Sage
Executive Engineer -

of any accident occurring to Dredge by her
foundering and am prepared to pay the expense
of raising her and repairing the damage done.

4 I consider it is unfair for that
gentleman to write that I should be
responsible for any damage done to
Dredge while engaged in clearing off
silt in the Bar on bonafide public
service being to the development of the
Salt Revenue.

5 The Manufacturers have already
begun to complain about the insufficient
supply of water, in spite of the wooden
(alligators constructed under my orders
to the Channels for securing sufficient
quantity of water at every tide.

6 As the manufacturing operations
are now in progress, I request you will
be so good as to write to Mr. Sage,
to send at once a Dredge as I think
it is impossible for me to excavate
across the bar by hand labor as
suggested in para 2nd of his letter.

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obt. servant
(signed) G Pemberton
Dy Collector

No 41

Memorandum

Referring to the Salt Dy Collectors
letter of the 5th Inst. No 6.

The Collector has perused its enclosures.

He is of opinion that the Deputy
Collector should excavate across the
Bar by hand work as proposed
by Mr Sage.

By ordinary Postmt
Collectors office
Rattapatta
the 7th January 1866

(signed) J. Fraser
Collector

Gordonwy. Electric
Collectors office
Carnarvon 2nd January 1886.

No 99.

To
The Mg Supervising Engineer
Mt Winnin Wallis.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that in July 1873, the D. P. W. closed on Lill in the Breadge from the mouth of the Challenges creek for the purpose of setting sufficient quantity of water for the manufacturing stall in the Penygadwen Mines on the application of the late Mr Collector Mr H. C. Jessall. A similar application was made to the Ranger officer in July 1875, on account of the insufficiency of the supply of stall water. Mr Sage wrote to the Deputy Collector, on three occasions, that he would send a Bredge to clear away the Silt from the mouth of the creek but in his last communication to the Dy collector (a copy of which is herein enclosed) he stated, he cannot send a Bredge

and suggested that the Salt-Department should undertake to excavate at the Bar by hand labor at every low tide. The Salt-Agt Collector informs me, that the work in question cannot be done under his supervision and it would be very expensive if done as proposed by Rand. I request therefore, you will be good enough, to issue instructions to have the mouth of the Shallungy creek cleared of silt by the end of December next when the manufacturing season commences or the manufacture of salt will be unfinished.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obt Servant
(Signed) J. Fraser
Collector

Sedomy District
Deputy Collectors Office
No 4 Pennyseduce 6th February 1867

From
C. Pinetangua Pour tu la
Deputy Collector the charge
of the Salt Department

To
J. Fraser Esqre
Collector, Sedomy District

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you, that the repairs to Salt works have been completed and the manufacture of salt commenced.

2 Agreeably to your letter to the acting Engineer dated 2nd November last, Mr Sage directed a certain Overseer named Jean Baptiste Ventiatenhum to superintend and attend to repairing the mouth of the Shallungy creek. I also pointed out to the Overseer aforesaid on the 14th December 1866, the part of the mouth where clearing is required - & accordingly took the necessary measurement to ascertain, how much silt was taken for repairing the mouth - the want of

water is now failing by the people, who say that they are not getting sufficient supply.

3. I therefore request you will be good enough to urge on the Superintending Engineer the necessity of resuming the works as early as practicable

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
Signed J. G. Pountney
Deputy Collector

No 42

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Memorandum

With reference to the 5th May collectors letter of the 6th instant No 4 the Collector in consultation with the Superintending Engineer has determined to limit to the supply of salt water furnished by the Chattagy creek at present - In believes that it will prove sufficient for the required salt crop -

Gowlangy district
Collectors office
Kattapetta
the 7th May 1867

} Signed J. Frere
Collector

Godauary District.

Deputy Collectorate Office

No Peermaduru 13th February 1894

From

G. Pantagar Pandithe

Deputy Collector Godauary Division

Salt-Department

To

J. Fraser Esqre

Collector Godauary District

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Memorandum No 42 dated 7th instant and beg leave to offer some remarks regarding your re-consideration to the subject of dredging the mouth of Kalingy creek.

2nd Peermaduru, Guraganapally and Chakangy, a number of 235 Pakolas have been set up for the manufacturing purposes.

3 Previous to my arrival to this District it was usual at times to draw water into reservoirs and then let into the evaporating pans without being cleansed. The consequence was that the salt-crop in those pans was of an inferior quality. Last year, I put a stop to this ex-

irregular practice and introduced certain improvements.

4. This year, I issued short instructions to the Salt-Superintendent to call on the Manufacturers to pay their undivided attention in drawing sufficient quantity of water into their reservoirs to allow the brine to concentrate before admitting it into the producing pans.

5. To carry out the object in view, the Rajah should receive such a supply of water from the Canals, as would suffice them to meet the requirements of the new process.

6. This year, I have made over the waste land to Rajah for Salt-manufacture.

7. The extent of salt-crafting ground is now greater than in last year.

8. At Low tides, there is scarcely 6 inches of water in the Bay, moreover at high tides we rarely find two feet-standth of water. The Rajah draws water during 4 days prior and subsequent to New-moon & full-moon days, when tides are literally high; in the interval there is hardly any water in the canals to work drawing by Pakotas. By this & other obstacles, the Rajah find his way to replenish the Salty-Grounds.

9. Taking this as a pretence, the Rajah would not allow water to remain in the reservoirs, for such a length of time, as our requirements

10 Having a personal experience in the inconveniences, to which, our Salt-Rajahs run, on account of scanty supply of water, I am sending my applications, in their behalf, since two years, for clearing the mouth of the creek.

11 On a visit to the Salt-farms, you will be pleased, to observe, that what I stated in the body of the letter is true in effect.

12 If either the Superintending Engineer or the Executive Engineer of the Range would personally observe the state of water in the Bay at low tides and at high tides

between 4 days prior and a similar period subsequent to full moon and new moon days and the remaining days of the month, I believe they will not feel inclined to differ in my opinion regarding the shallowness of the Bay -

13 The Bay against effectual small craft to some extent in the present state of the weather - The Boat-Merchants resort to the platforms with their Canoes empty - They come now taking only 1/2 or 1/4 loads - On their return to Coromandel they feel great difficulty, on account of the shallowness of the Bar - They sometimes stay out-side two tides on the Bar for a day or two eagerly expecting for tides - If there is enough of water in the month, Merchants will possibly take full loads of Salt -

14 - Thus the clearing of the Bay is of utmost importance, to ensure a full crop, and increased sales of Salt -

15 I hope I will be excused for my requesting again on the subject.

16 Becoming in the Division, and taking great care and trouble to secure the favor of the authorities - to secure the favor of the authorities - to whom the sales is the only means by which the Salt can be procured - of the very thing is less or more thing, all my Labors will be of no avail - I am therefore induced for bringing over these beyond Justice the real state of things -

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) G Pantangi
Deputy Collector

No 262 Supt Engineer Office
1st Division
Wallaroo 9 January 1867

To
The Collector
Gadaney

Encls. 2

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith an Estimate amounting to Rupees 4630, for clearing a channel across Challangby river bar and copy of letter from Mr Sage dated 31st December 1866 No 650, which appears to me to shew good reason for not carrying out the work likely to cost so large a sum

I have &c &c

(Signed) T. S. Moberly Lt Col
Ag Supt Engr 1st Divn

No 650 Gadaney Distt Executive Engrs Office
Dowlaweeram 31st Decr 1866

From Nicholson Inchange
of No 1 Range Gadaney

To The Superintending Engineer
1st Division

Sir,

With reference to your No 1165, dated 23d ultimo, I have the honor to enclose

an Estimate for the work alluded to therein amounting to Rupees 4630-

2 In forwarding the above Estimate, I have the honor to point out that I think the work not unnecessary exactly, but unadvisable for the following reasons. On comparing Sections taken this year with Sections taken last year, I find the river mouth has deepened out from an average of 1½ feet at low water to 3 ft. at low water, and that the bar opposite mouth with less than 1½ ft. of water on it at low water now extends for 3000 ft against 450 last year - (My Estimate is for removing this). The deepening at river mouth is caused by the drainage from Valangy River having been this year let down, and when the improvement proposed in Estimate for Rupees 4100 forwarded in my letter No 538 of 17th November 1866, is carried out, the effect on river mouth will, no doubt, be much greater, but the consequences will be that the deposit so removed will be (as has been the

the case this year) to increase silt on bar, and as the Coringa bay at this point is rapidly silting up, I do not think the work proposed in Estimate now forwarded of any use, as the action of tides will soon refill the excavations -

3. As the manufacture of salt at these pans is of such great importance Government might perhaps sanction dra Dredge being kept working for 3 months in Year on this bar, and remaining 9 on Coconada bar. Any other step (and this will only be of temporary avail) is in my opinion worse than useless -

I have &c

(Signed) G Hodge

Executive Engr. Godavery

True Copy

(Signed) F. J. Mahony Lt Col RE

Ag Secy Engr. to Govt

Goalpara District
Collector's Office

No 3 Jaunkir 10th January 1867

To

The Superintending Engineer
1st Division

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge
receipt of your letter of the 9th instant
No 262 and to state that all I require
is that the Challangy river bar have a
sufficient depth of water in it for passage
of Cadeir boats & to provide for the
maintenance of the depth. All applications
from the Sagar latta that for this
season at least the bar as at present
will suffice for these purposes without
dredging therefore the estimate received
with your above to be returned without being examined.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obt. servant

(signed) J. Fraser
Collr.

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Goalpara District
Collectors Office
No 15 Matia patta 14th February 1867

To

The Superintending Engineer,
1st Division

Sir,

With reference to your letter of
the 9th ultimo No 262 and my reply of
the 7th ultimo No 3 regarding
the deepening of the Challangy Creek
I have the honor to forward a letter
from my late Dy Collector on the same
subject and request you will give
careful consideration to the want
of water therein & inform me
I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obt. servant

(signed) J. Fraser
Collr.

No 309

Deputy Engr's Office
1st Division
Camp Dawlish near
1st March 1867

To

The Collector
Godavery

Sir

Referring to your No 15 of 14th February 1867, I have the honor to observe that deepening the mouth of the Coringa Creek is of no use unless we clear out a channel in Coringa Bay to lead up to it.. The whole neighbourhood is shoaling rapidly; and the Creek will of course suffer first- Encl 1.

2. It is possible at a considerable expence (see Mr Sage's letter of 31st Dec 1866 No 650, already sent to you) to open out a little more way for the water but the dredging would have only a temporary effect.

3. The Deputy Collector appears to be perfectly aware of the state of matters, see para 8, and I can assure him that Mr. Sage and I are both perfectly cognizant of the condition of the Bay, and would be glad to know how to improve it not only for the sake of the salt but of the trade generally, as we have every reason to believe that the many years trap Coconada will itself be blocked in by the increasing range of deposit from the Godavery.

I have the honor
(signed) F. J. Mokerly Lt Col RE
Ag Deputy Engr 1st Division

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R Master
Ag Collector

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4. The first question for consideration is whether the relinquishment of Ramly Mudgeiry the lease of [illegible] is valid.

Answer that the Ryot is entitled to relinquish his lease.

2. Question. Must the person who relinquishes his lease continue to be responsible for the rents of the land?

Answer. Before relinquishment he must pay up all the rents of the land during the term of his lease.

3. Question. Can the Ryot relinquish his lease after the land has been cultivated?

Answer. He can relinquish his lease after cultivation, provided he gives notice of his intention to relinquish the land prior to the commencement of the following cultivation season.

Lieut. Colonel Commanding Ryotwary Commissioner

22 Dec 1868

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Ag Collector Godavery Dt.
To the Secretary to the
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Madras
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Bar.

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