Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 3rd August 1871.

No. 8. Read the following letter from the Acting Sub-Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Madras, 18th July 1871, No. 2,985:—

I HAVE the honour to submit the accompanying Comparative Statement of Salt-sales for home and inland consumption during the past year 1870-71, compared with its preceding two years, viz., 1868-69 and 1869-70, agreeably to the instructions contained in a letter from the Government of India, under date the 4th June, received with Government Order dated 2nd July 1852, No. 639.

2. The total sales during the past year were a little higher than those in 1869-70, though much below those of 1867-68 and 1868-69. The cause of the sales in the current year being less than those in 1867-68 and 1868-69 appears to be the same as that explained in the last year's report, *i.e.*, the increase in the selling price of salt in 1869 from Rs. 1-11-0 to Rs. 2 a maund. The Board believe that the sales will increase in future, as the stocks held by the retail-dealers when the price was enhanced must have been exhausted by this time.

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1867-68.....	66,53,956	103,73,390
1868-69.....	67,05,865	110,11,476
1869-70.....	63,84,210	115,35,909
1870-71.....	64,.9,749	125,65,738

No. 9. ORDER THEREON, 3rd August 1871, No. 1,327.

Separate Revenue, No. 2.
Salt.

ORDERED that the following letter be despatched:—

(Here enter 3rd August 1871, No. 1,328.)

(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. DEC. SCOTT, Captain, R.E.,
Under-Secy., P.W.D.,
for Secy. to Govt.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R. Dauleman.

Rev. 1871. Dept.

Board of Revenue,

MADRAS.

No. 2434

From the Acting Sub-Secretary to Board of Revenue,

To the Acting Secy. to Govt., R. D.

Copy to all Collectors.

Dated 18th July 1871.

Received
Dept. 25 July 1871

Encl.

JULY.

No. 2,985.

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14. Sa. Sales Dept. Rev. Dept. 8 Aug 71