

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
25th August 1871.*

No. 262. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 15th August 1871, No. 3,452:—

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supply of Bombay Salt for the past Fusly 1280, in which he applies for a remission of the duty levied from him on certain quantities of salt imported at Mangalore on account of his contract, but lost by the unexpected and unusual

showers of rain which fell on the 15th, 16th, and 17th of January last.

2. The contractor engaged to supply for the above Fusly 1,250 Garce or 150,000 Indian Maunds of salt from the Bombay Salt-pans, the whole quantity being deliverable at Mangalore in five equal monthly instalments commencing in November 1870 and ending in March 1871.

3. Owing to the contractors having brought down more than two-thirds of the whole quantity of salt before the middle of January, and to there not being sufficient room in the Kotours, the ghat sales having commenced late, the salt was heaped in the yard until it could be stored. The first three months of the year being usually fine, it was not considered likely that the salt would be damaged by being left in the open.

4. I enclose a statement showing the actual deficiency of salt when it was weighed into the Kotours as compared with the deficiency in salt imported prior to the 14th January, from which the Board will perceive that while the deficiency in the latter salt averaged only 1 per cent., the deficiency in the salt which was exposed to the rain averaged 5.32 per cent. The total loss of salt owing to the rain was 2,472 Indian Maunds, from which 1 per cent. (the average wastage) has to be deducted, leaving a net deficiency of 2,019 Indian Maunds.

5. In addition to this loss, the contractor had three vessels on their way down the coast, when the rough weather obliged them to take shelter near the Darya Bahadurghur rocks. The net deficiency in these three boats (after deducting 1 per cent.) is 140 Indian Maunds, making a total loss to the contractor of 2,159 Indian Maunds, and for which he requests that remission of Export-duty at Rs. 1-13-0 per maund may be given.

6. Some of his vessels were damaged near Bombay, and on his representing the matter to the Commissioner of Customs, a wastage allowance of 5 per cent. on their cargoes was allowed.

7. The Government of Bombay have declined to allow any remission of Export-duty on the salt damaged at Mangalore and in transit, and I have therefore the honour to recommend the contractor's application for remission to the favourable consideration of Government.

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ENCLOSURES Nos. 1. and 2.—Petitions.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Statement.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

2. The Board think that as the wastage of Indian Maunds 2,019 was caused by the salt being exposed to unexpected wet, owing to there being no room in the Kotaurs, in consequence of which it was heaped in the yards exposed to the weather, the contractor's claim to refund of Export-duty might be allowed on this quantity; but they think the contractor has no claim to refund on the salt lost by wastage on the sea voyage.

3. Provision ought to be made by the Collector to prevent the possibility of loss to Government by wastage, owing to want of proper storage for salt imported by sea.

No. 263.

ORDER THEREON, 25th August 1871, No. 1,452.

Separate Revenue, No. 19.

Salt.

THE Government authorize the Collector of South Canara to refund to the Salt Contractor A. P. Brito the sum of Rs. 3,659-7-0, being the duty

paid by him on Indian Maunds 2,019, ~~excess wastage beyond the average~~ by the extraordinary rains of January last in the salt which had been delivered at Mangalore Kotaurs, but not weighed into store when the storm occurred.

2. They concur with the Board in opinion that the claim on account of wastage in cargoes then at sea cannot be admitted.

3. The Board's remarks in paragraph 3 do not appear to be applicable to the present case under the circumstances.

(True Extract.)

(Signed)

W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Accountant-General.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

Sub-Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with three enclosures.

Copy to the Acting Collector of South Canara.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

25-Aug-71

Govt. of {1871} Madras.

REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

&c. &c. &c.

Dated August 25th.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 25th August 1871, No. 1,452.

AUGUST.
Nos. 262-263.

Refund of Export-duty on Salt.—Sanctioned to the amount of Rs. 3,659-7-0 to the Salt Contractor Brito, on account of a wastage of Indian Maunds 2,019, caused by the January rains in the salt delivered at Mangalore Kotours, and concurring with the Board that the claim on account of wastage in cargoes then at sea cannot be admitted.