Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
12th June 1872.

No. 151. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 31st May 1872, No. 873 :—

Read again letter from the Collector of South Arcot, dated 12th April 1872, No. 113, recorded in Board's Proceedings, dated 26th April 1872, Miscellaneous No. 3,026, requesting Inspector-General of Police to state if he can meet demand of Superintendent of Police in South Arcot for a permanent increase of six men to Police force of that district, in order to provide guards to escort salt from Merkanum to Pondicherry.

Read also the following letter from Major W. S. DREVER, Acting Inspector-General of Police, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Madras, 27th April 1872, No. 1,518:—

With reference to the Miscellaneous Proceedings of the Board, No. 3,016, forwarding a letter from the Collector of South Arcot recommending a permanent increase of six men to the Salt Police establishment of that district, and asking if I am able to meet the demand, I have the honour to intimate that it is not in my power to do so unless the Board specially pays for them, as has recently been done in Ganjam District from savings in the Salt Department. The proposed increase in South Arcot need not, however, be deemed other than temporary, *i. e.*, the additional men required would only be entertained for the period for which their services might be found to be essential.

The Board resolve to submit the foregoing letters for the orders of Government.

2. The Collector of South Arcot strongly points out the necessity for a permanent increase of six men to the Salt Police establishment to admit of readily providing guards to escort salt sent to Pondicherry from Merkanum.

3. The Inspector-General of Police is unable to meet the demand, and suggests that the extra charge involved, which will be deemed a temporary one, be paid from general savings under salt as has been recently arranged in the case of the extra Police Constables required in Ganjam District.—(*vide* Board's Proceedings to Government, dated 13th February 1872, Miscellaneous No. 1,119). The Board see no objection to this course being followed.

4. Major Drever will be requested to inform the Board of the probable extra charge per annum that this proposition will entail.

No. 152. Order thereon, 12th June 1872, No. 933.

Separate Revenue, No. 14.
Salt.

The Government sanction the proposed occasional charge under Salt.

2. It is observed that the supply of Salt to the French Government is a treaty-obligation.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

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

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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No. 873.

Salt Police establishment—of South Arcot District.—Application of Collector of South Arcot for a permanent increase of six men to —, in order to provide guards to escort salt from Merkanum to Pondicherry, and letter from Inspector-General of Police on subject, submitted for orders of Government. Inspector-General requested to state probable extra charge per annum that this increase will entail.

With Order
No 903 - 12 June 1872