Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 3rd February 1873.

No. 7. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 29th January 1873, Miscellaneous No. 507:—

Read the following letter from the Collector of Malabar, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Calicut, 22nd January 1873, No. 16.

I REGRET to have to report the destruction by fire of the Ponany Salt Gola on the 31st ultimo. The fire seems to have originated from a thatched building about a hundred yards to the east of the Gola, and there being an unusually strong land wind at the time it easily spread and consumed not only the whole of the Salt sheds and the roof of the Superintendent's office but sixteen other houses belonging to private individuals.

2. The total loss of private property is estimated at Rs. 3,200 and odd. Happily no lives were lost.

3. The Gola contained but a small quantity of salt at the time of the fire, namely, 11,304 maunds, and it is expected that no great loss has happened.

4. The Deputy-Collector, Southern Division, is now engaged in personally superintending the weighing of the contents of the rooms, the result of which will be reported to the Board in due course.

5. The site of the Gola, surrounded by cadjan buildings, has been a continual source of anxiety, and I shall now endeavour to find a safer place and more durable materials for re-building. In the meantime I have requested the Deputy-Collector to confine his operations to erecting such temporary sheds as may be found actually necessary for the storeage of the stock of salt on hand in addition to that brought ashore by the contractors, as well as that shortly expected from Bombay.

6. A serious fire occurred at the Badagara bazaar on the 15th instant.

7. This is a considerable port, and many of the merchants' warehouses having been consumed the loss of property must be enormous. Two lives were unfortunately lost, a blind man and a deaf woman having perished.

8. I have deputed Deputy-Collector Mr. Underwood to proceed to Badagara and to afford any relief that may be urgently needed to alleviate the distress of the sufferers and to make a detailed report of the matter, which I shall in due course communicate to the Board.

9. I learn that the Captain of the B. I. S. N. Company's Steamer *Bagdad*, which arrived at Badagara during the fire, landed with a considerable portion of his crew taking the fire engine and buckets, and gave his utmost assistance towards extinguishing the flames. On receiving a detailed report I will address the Board, and suggest some mark of acknowledgment on the part of Government of his services.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

2. The further reports promised are awaited.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
3rd February 1873.

No. 8. ORDER THEREON, 3rd February 1873, No. 136.

Miscellaneous.

RECORDED. The Government will be glad to see the further reports awaited.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Secretary to Government.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

No. 259.

From Agt 3d Jurisdiction Mr Ogilvie

Dated 25 January 1873.

FOR ORDERS.

I think we might
send the letter and the
returns. We might
know what time the
Govt. of Bombay
can act on Sirkars
Golf

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

No. 736
Recd. — the Govt. will be glad to see the further reports awaited
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Dated 29th January 1873.
Despatched 29 — " —
Recd 30th " —

SUBJECT.

Submitting for the information of Govt. the Instructions by before of Powney Salt-Gola & Badagara Bazaar in Malabar Dist.

C. 31 February 73 - R 3776

14 Brs. Dy Secy's Desk 3/2

Draft is asked for in as Tuticorin only a superior clerk. If Mr. Dalzell has work for him to do - let him employ 2 men -
From my experience I should say he will have a great deal more time - unless he forms a body of Mr's retention which I think would be desirable MM

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Govt. of 1873 Madras.

REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated February 1873.

Read

G. O., 3rd February 1873, No. 136.

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FEBRUARY.
No. 7-8.

Pooney Salt Gola and Badagaram bazar in Malabar District.—Proceedings Board of Revenue, submitting the Collector's report regarding their destruction by fire, recorded. Further promised reports awaited.

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