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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 12th June 1873.

Read again Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 17th October 1871,
No. 1,430, Judicial Department.

ABSTRACT.—Passing orders on an application from Messrs. Fischer & Co. to be allowed to transport saltpetre from the villages where it is manufactured to the depôts in the Coimbatore and Salem Districts, and from thence to Madras without license.

Read also Special Report from Captain H. S. COURT, Acting Superintendent of Police, Trichinopoly, regarding the manufacture of earth-salt at Moganoor village, Namkul Taluq, Salem District.

THE Board resolve to submit the above report, furnished in answer to an inquiry directed by them, for the consideration of Government.

2. It is clear that the manufacture of saltpetre entails the production of a proportion of edible salt, and, although unwilling to burden a branch of industry which has been in a languishing condition for some years, they think that some measures are necessary to check the violation of the law which now takes place at all the saltpetre pans.

3. The provisions of Act XXXI. of 1861 may be extended to Madras, and the Board observe that, under its 7th Section, the manufacturer is at liberty to compound for the duty leviable on the salt he produces.

4. The Board suggest that a reference be made to Collectors as to the best manner of working the Act, should Government be prepared to recommend its extension to Madras.

(A true Extract.)

H. Goodrich
Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Judicial Department,
with special report from Captain Court, in a cover.

Copy to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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**Board of Revenue,
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Saltpetre.—With reference to order of Government on application of Messrs. Fischer and Co., for permission to transport saltpetre from manufacturing villages to depôts in Coimbatore and Salem Districts and thence to Madras, without passes or licenses.—Saltpetre Act XXXI. of 1861 proposed to be extended to Madras, and a reference recommended to Collectors as to best manner of working the Act.

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