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REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE,
16th January 1874.

No. 74.

No. 142.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Separate Revenue, No. 9.

Customs.

SIR,—I am now directed to reply to your Endorsement No. 822, of 6th June last, forwarding for report certain correspondence regarding proposed

changes in the Tariff as last fixed by Act XIII. of 1871.

2. These papers have been referred for the opinion of the Chamber of Commerce, the Collector of Sea Customs, and the Board of Revenue. In forwarding the communications received from these authorities, I have to report as stated in the Chief Secretary's letter of 31st December 1872, No. 1,733, His Excellency in Council is opposed in principle to export duty upon an article of general consumption and of first necessity, such as rice, and which is in effect an additional tax upon land; and considers that the abolition of this duty would be desirable if it could be effected consistently with the exigencies of Imperial Finance. The repeal of the export duty on indigo would have, there can be no doubt, a most favourable result in promoting the cultivation of indigo.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

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

Exd. W. H. French.

Financial 1874 Department.

From

Government of Fort St. George.

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In reply to the call from the Government of India regarding certain proposed changes in the Tariff fixed by Act XIII. of 1871, forwards communications from certain authorities with an expression of the opinion of this Government on the subject.

Rev. Secy

No. 74

To the Secy. Govt. of India
Financial Secy

Sir,

I am now directed to reply to the
Endorsement No. 222 of 6th June last, forward-
ing for report certain correspondence regarding
proposed changes in the Tariff as last fixed by
Act XIII of 1871.

2. These papers have been referred for the
opinion of the Chamber of Commerce, the
Colrs of Sea Customs, & the Bd of Revenue.
In forwarding the communications recd
from those authorities, I am desired to say
that, as stated in the Chief Secy's letter of
3rd Decr 1872 No 1733, H. E. M. G. is opposed
in principle to Report Duty upon an article
of general consumption & of first necessity, such
as rice, and which is in effect an additional
tax upon land; and considers that the aboli-
tion of this duty wd be desirable if it can be
effected consistently with the exigencies of
Imperial Finance. The repeal of the Export
Duty on Indigo wd have, there can be no
doubt, a most favorable result in promoting
the cultivation of Indigo.

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To Govt of India
Fin. Dept.

Replying to the call for
an Opinion regarding certain
proposed changes in Tariff
fixed by Act XLII of 1871.

List from notes of
members - some from

See under letter No 3073
of 18 Sept last.

See under letter No 3073
of 18 Sept last.

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of 18 Sept last.

To Govt of India
No 205
19-2-70

MR
24/12

This for full use
official respecting
the export-duties
on rice & indigo
in its reply (dated either
in Dec/72 or Jan/73) to
the "Faction Circular" of

To the Secy. Govt of India
Financial Dept.

2. I am now directed to reply to
Enclosure No 822 of 6th June last,
forwarding for report, certain correspondence
regarding proposed changes in the tariff
as last fixed by Act XLII of 1871.

2. The papers have been referred for the
opinion of the Chamber of Commerce, the
Colo. of Sea Customs & the Secy. of Rev.
In forwarding the communication
received from these authorities, I am
pleased to state that the Secy. of Rev.
generally in his remarks & reasons
-ations of the Secy. of Rev. For the reasons
advanced by the Govt of Madras, the
Hon. Secy. is of opinion that a repeal
of the Export duty on Rice is not
called for, as is now again strongly
advocated by the Chamber of Commerce.
But, as stated on that occasion,
the case of Indigo stands on a different
footing, and a repeal of the Export
duty on that commodity will have a
decidedly favorable effect in promoting
its cultivation in this Pres.

24/12/73.



the fact of Indian sleepers and named committees
 having been left, I shall
 like to have them kept
 before me.

I am opposed to the
 principle, and because
 in this case it acts as
 additional charge

upon the land, to an
 extent that is an article
 such as tea.

But in other important
 economic principles of
 consideration

we are obliged to
 spend the financial

energy, and as
 have the land here
 which is not to

be treated in more

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See our letter of Dec 12
 in reply to the Taxation
 Committee.

I will say

~~the~~

dated in the
 Dec 1872

Council is opposed
 in principle, to the
 Export Duty upon our
 article

of general
 consumption and

of first necessity such
 as rice and
 which is in

that an additional tax
 upon the land

and carries
 the abolition of the
 duty which is
 desirable if

it could be effected
 consistently with
 the exigencies of
 Imperial Finance.

But the refusal
 of the Export Duty on
 Indigo would have

(than can be so easily
 a most favorable

effect in promoting
 the cultivation of Indigo

in this Presidency

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