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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
1st December 1876.*

No. 1. Read the following letter from W. LOGAN, Esq., Collector of Malabar, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Calicut, 14th November 1876, No. 85:—

I HAVE the honor, in reply to your telegram regarding decrease in salt sales here from April to August 1876, as compared with the same period of 1875, to enclose copy of my letter to the Revenue Board, No. 263, dated 2nd October 1876, and a comparative statement of Government salt sold at the different stores, of Foreign salt cleared, of Bombay salt imported on private account, and of salt imported into this District and Coimbatore from the Eastern Coast.

2. The statement shows, I think, conclusively that the enhanced* price of salt

* Raised from Rs. 2-0-0 to Rs. 2-5-0 on 10th March 1875. sold from the stores on this Coast has diverted a considerable portion of the trade from this Coast, and transferred it to

the Eastern Coast. The markets which used to be supplied from our stores at Cannanore, Tellicherry, Calicut and Ponany are now being supplied from the Eastern Coast by rail, both by the direct South-West Line and to some extent also by the Bangalore Branch.

3. There is also large illicit manufacture of salt south of Ponany, but this salt wont carry, and is for the most part consumed locally. It also, however, has had an appreciable effect in diminishing the salt sales.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From W. LOGAN, Esq., Collector of Malabar, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Calicut, 2nd October 1876, No. 263.

ADVERTING to the Board's Official Memorandum, of the 19th ultimo, No. 1,503, I have the honor to explain the cause of the falling off in salt sales in this district.

2. The decrease in the sales from April to August of the current official year, as contrasted

	INDIAN MAUNDS.
Importation from Bombay (duty prepaid) in April and May	6,553
Importation of Madras salt from Madras by rail	15,900
Total	22,453

with those of the corresponding period of the previous year, was 1,16,784 Indian maunds, whilst on the other hand, an increase of 9,631 Indian maunds occurred in the quantity of salt passed, on payment of duty, during the aforesaid period of the current year,

thereby reducing the falling off to a net decrease of 1,07,153 Indian maunds. This decrease is partly ascribable to the demands of the district being met on a considerable scale from the importations by private agency of salt from Bombay and the Eastern Coast, as will be seen from the marginal statement.

3. It should also be borne in mind that the Eastern Coast salt has successfully competed with the salt heretofore taken from this district for consumption in the Coimbatore and Nilgiri Districts.

4. These causes, combined with the vast consumption, by clandestine sale, of earth salt, which is extensively manufactured throughout Malabar, has naturally led to the heavy fall in the sales adverted to.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. LOGAN,
Collector.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.
STATEMENT showing Sale of Government Salt, Imports of Private Salt and Clearances of Foreign Salt in Malabar District from April to August 1876, as contrasted with the corresponding Period of the previous Year.

GOLLABA.	GOVERNMENT SALE.				PRIVATE.			
	From April to August 1876.		From April to August 1875.		Foreign Salt cleared from Custom House.		Bombay Salt imported.	
	Increase.		Decrease.		From April to August 1876.		From April to August 1875.	
	Decrease.		Increase.		From April to August 1876.		From April to August 1875.	
1. Cannanore	...	9,200	...	9,200	...	...	...	...
2. Tellicherry	...	22,157	...	3,697	...	...	...	...
3. Calicut	...	74,424	...	74,245	...	9,719	...	...
4. Beypore	...	27,343	...	10,936	...	...	...	...
5. Penany	...	61,407	...	18,538	...	...	...	...
6. Chowghat	...	727	...	661	...	...	...	...
7. Cochin	...	2,808	...	3,012	...	...	...	...
	...	1,97,966	...	80,903	...	...	...	...
Total	...	...	...	1,17,267	...	...	...	...
Net increase	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Net decrease	...	...	...	1,17,063	...	...	...	...

Total Increase under all heads ... 1,15,204
 " Decrease " " " ... 1,17,063
 Difference .. 1,859

(Signed) W. LOGAN,
Collector.

N.B.—We have no returns to show what the importation into Coimbatore from Madras was from April to August 1875, but it is believed to have been inconsiderable. The price of salt was enhanced to Rs. 2-5-0 per Indian maund on 10th March 1875.
 CALCUTTA,
 14th November 1876.

No. 2.

ORDER THEREON, 1st December 1876, No. 1,872.

Separate Revenue, No. 1.

Salt.

THE Government observe that the diversion of trade from Malabar, referred to by the Collector as one of the causes of the decline of salt revenue in Malabar, is not apparent from the revenues of the Eastern Coast Districts. Tinnevely and Chingleput show only slight increases. In South Arcot alone, there is an increase up to August of Rs. 1,06,102, attributed to a larger stock of salt than in last year.

2. The Collector will investigate the last cause stated, viz., the illicit manufacture of salt, and report more fully how far it has developed under the recent change of system on the West Coast.

(True Extract.)

(Signed)

D. F. CARMICHAEL,

Secretary to Government.

To the Collector of Malabar.
 „ the Board of Revenue.

Exd. A. Raitt.

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Malabar Collectors Office
Calcutt 14th Novr 1876

Sir,

W. Logan, Esq,
Collector of Malabar,

To
The Honorable D. F. Carmichael,
Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department,
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honor in reply to
Your telegram regarding decrease in
Salt sales here from April to August
1876, as compared with the same
period of 1875, to enclose copy of my
letter to the Revenue Board n^o 263
dated 2nd October 1876 and a Com-
parative Statement of Government
Salt sold at the different stores,
of Foreign salt cleared, of Bombay
Salt imported on private account,
and of Salt imported into this

Govt. of 1876

REVENUE.

THE COLLECTOR OF MALABAR,

Secy. to Govt.

Dated Decr 1st, 1876.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 1st December 1876, No. 1,873.

DECEMBER,
Nos. 1-2.

Salt sales in Malabar District.—Dismissing the
Collector, with reference to his explanation
regarding the decrease of —, to investigate into
the alleged illicit manufacture of Salt, and to
report more fully how far it has developed under
the recent change of system on the West Coast.

this District and Coimbatore from
the Eastern Coast.

2. The statement shows, I think,
Conclusively that the enhance-
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at Cannanore, Tellicherry, Calicut,
and Ponany are now being supplied
from the Eastern Coast by Rail, both
by the direct South West line
and to some extent also by the
Bangalore Branch.

3. There is also large illicit
manufacture of salt south of
Ponani, but this salt is not carried
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Locally,

Raised from Rs 2/6
to Rs 2/5/0 on 10% scale
1875.

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Locally. It also however has had
an appreciable effect in diminishing
the salt sales.

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your most obedt servant,

W. Cragg

Collector.

Malabar Collector's Office,
Calicut, 2nd October 1876.

No. 213.

1876/5

The Ag. Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Madras.

Sir,

Adverting to the Board's Official
Memo, of the 19th ultimo no. 1500, I have the
honour to explain the cause of the falling off
in salt sales in this District.

2. The decrease in the ^{current} sales from April
to August of the Official year, as contrasted
with those of the corresponding period
of the previous year, was 116,784 Indian maunds,
whilst on the other hand, an increase of
9631 S. maunds occurred in the quantity of
salt passed on payments of duty during the
aforesaid period of the current year, thereby
reducing the falling off to a net decrease
of 1,07,153 S. maunds. This decrease is partly
ascribable to the demands of the District
being met on a considerable scale from
the importations by private agency of
salt

Importation from Bombay (duty paid) in April & May - 1876.
No. of maunds salt from Maunabo by Road - 15,700.
Total 224,53.

Rs. 4930.
Revenue 1576 Sep/10

Rs. 1000000

The Government
Chancery

The Secretary to Govt
Chancery

Calicut

1876

Rs. 16 1/2 1876

Rs. 200

Rs. 1000000

Decrease in Salt Sales

from April to Aug. 76

With order

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Q. 23. 1876/5

The Board of Revenue of 11/12
Collection of Maunabo 1876

The Collector of Maunabo

1876 - 1877

The Collector of Maunabo

that the decrease in salt sales is due to the decrease in the revenue of the District from Maunabo, which is well known to be the cause of the decrease in salt sales.

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Salt from Bombay and the Eastern Coast, as will be seen from the marginal statements

3. It should also be borne in mind that the Eastern Coast salt has successfully competed with the salt heretofore taken from this District for consumption in the Coimbatore and Nilgerry Districts.

4. These causes, combined with the vast consumption, by clandestine sale, of earth salt which is extensively manufactured throughout Malabar has naturally led to the heavy fall in the sales adverted to.

I have &c,

Signed W. Vagan,

Collector.

(True copy)

W. Vagan

Collector.

Malabar Collectors Office
Calicut 14th Nov 1873.

Statement showing sale of Government salt, imports of private salt and clearances of Foreign salt in Malabar District from April to August 1876 as contrasted with the corresponding period of the previous year.

Collieries	Government salt				Private											
	From April to August 1875		From April to August 1876		Foreign salt cleared from Custom House		Bombay salt imported		Imported from Madras							
	From April to August 1875	From April to August 1876	Increase	Decrease	From April to August 1875	From April to August 1876	Increase	Decrease	April to August 1875	April to August 1876	Malabar	Canara	Total	Malabar	Canara	Total
1 Cannanore	9200			9200					6452	6452						
2 Tellicherry	22157	18460		3697												
3 Calicut	74424	179		74245	9719	9719										
4 Beypore	27243	16307		10936												
5 Ponany	61407	42879		18528												
6 Chouggat	727	66		661												
7 Cochin	2808	3012	204		87	87										
Total	197966	80903	204	117267	87	9719	9719	87	6452	6452				16600	83020	99620
Net increase							9632									99620
Net decrease				117063												

Malabar Collection Office
Calicut, 14 November 1876

Total Increase under all heads 115204
" Decrease " " 117063
Difference 1859

N. B. We have no returns to show what the importation into Coimbatore from Madras was from April to August 1875, but it is believed to have been inconsiderable. The price of salt was enhanced to Rs 2-5- per Indian Maund on 18th March 1875.

Collector

Copy of this Statement
Recd: 4930/76
to the Secretary & Govt.
of the Madras District
to the Secretary of Madras
to the Secretary of Govt.
of the Madras District
to the Secretary of Govt.
of the Madras District

In a letter from the
Collector of Insular
duties 14 November
1916 refers to the
Secretary to the
Revenue Dept. -

Per: $\frac{2}{4930/76}$

Concurrence
Statement showing
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the from office to
chapter 196 -