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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
22nd April 1876.

No. 148. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd March 1876, No. 824:—

Read the following letter from J. G. HORSFALL, Esq., Acting Collector of South Canara, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Mangalore, 8th March 1876, No. 518.

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2. The Board will perceive that, in spite of my remonstrance, the Acting Collector of Salt Revenue in Bombay presses for a cash remittance for which the Board have said there is no necessity whatever. I presume that the authorities in Bombay would not have adopted this course had the orders of Government on this subject, noted in the margin, been communicated to them; and as Messrs. Brito Brothers, our Contractors for the supply of Bombay salt, have repeatedly represented to me the inconvenience and loss they are put to by the action of the Collector of Salt Revenue, Bombay, I would suggest that early steps be taken to obtain for them a respite till the matter is settled in communication with the Comptroller-General, to whom a reference appears to have been made by the Accountant-General, Madras.

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(True Copy.)
(Signed) J. G. HORSFALL,
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2. They will, of course, furnish me with each shipment the certificate granted by you of the actual amount shipped, and the excise duty will be collected here upon the amount short landed, credit being given to the Bombay Government for the amount actually shipped.

3. The final adjustment will be made under instructions shortly expected from the Board of Revenue.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. G. HORSFALL,
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SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

2. The Board observe that in January 1875 certain rules for the grant of credit for duty to traders shipping salt from Bombay were communicated by the Government of that Presidency to the Government of Madras—Proceedings of Government, Revenue Department, dated 26th January 1875, No. 140.

3. By G.O., dated 3rd March 1875, No. 342, the Board were directed, with reference to the supply of salt to Canara and Malabar, to report in detail how the arrangement sanctioned by the Bombay Government for giving salt to the Contractors "on the production of the necessary documents from a Madras Treasury" was to be worked, the duty not being payable by the contractor but by this Government.

4. Accordingly, after consulting the Accountant-General, the Board recommended that the adjustment should be managed by the insertion in the Contractor's agreement of a clause requiring him to produce a certificate from the Collector of Salt Revenue, Bombay, showing the quantity of salt actually shipped, and also to deposit securities to cover any charges which might be payable as duty upon any difference between the quantity given in the certificate and that actually delivered. This proposal was sanctioned by Government in G.O., dated 20th May 1875, No. 775.

5. The contracts for the current year were drawn up accordingly; securities were duly deposited with the Collector of South Canara and information of the renewal of credit as salt has been delivered has been given from time to time to the Bombay authorities by telegraph. In these circumstances, the Board are unable to explain the present attitude of the Bombay Collector of Salt Revenue as reported by Mr. Horsfall. The Board are not aware what communications passed between this Government and Bombay on the subject, but the arrangement is evidently not understood.

6. The Board further observe that it would seem from paragraph 4 of the letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, dated 18th May 1875, No. 799, (Proceedings of Government, 19th July 1875, Revenue Department,) that the duty on salt thus supplied from Bombay to the Western Coast Districts is to be credited to Madras and not to Bombay.

7. The Collector should have forwarded copies of the communications received from the Collector of Salt Revenue, Bombay.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) E. GIBSON,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

No. 149. ORDER THEREON, 22nd April 1876, No. 530.

Separate Revenue, No. 14.
Salt.

ORDERED that these papers be forwarded to the Government of Bombay with a request to remove the restrictions complained of, and that copy of the letter to the Government of Bombay be sent to the Government of India, in view to obtain definite orders on the subject of adjustment of the duty on salt exported from Bombay by contractors with this Government.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. W. J. Lewis.

Govt. of India. Madras.

REVENUE.

No.

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated April 22nd.

Rec'd.

Encl.

G.O., 22nd April 1876, No. 580.

APRIL.

Nos. 148-149.

Duty on Salt exported from Bombay to Southern Canara.—Ordering to forward to the Government of Bombay papers relating to the adjustment of Bombay rupees relating to the restrictions of —— with a request to remove the restrictions complained of; and to the Government of India copy of the letter sent to the Bombay Government in view to obtain definite orders on the subject.

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Britto Brothers

Mangalore 12th February 1876

To

J. G. Morsfall Esquire

Ag Collector of S. Canara

Mangalore.

Sir,

We beg to inform you that we as contractors for the supply of Bombay salt for the Government monopoly use of this District for this year, have as notified in the District Gazette, given to the late Collector sufficient security for the amount of duty on salt which we are exporting from Bombay, and on the strength of this security you have granted us credit with the Bombay Government for the removal of salt. Notwithstanding this the Collector of Salt Revenue, Bombay, has unjustly subjected us to execute to him fresh bond and documents bending us to adjust the account of duty between this Government and him within so short a period as two months from the date of permits granted by him to

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ships salt. You will kindly observe that our scarcity for the amount of duty with this Government relieves us from all the troubles and responsibilities connected with subject of adjusting accounts on account of salt duty which the Salt Revenue Collector of Bombay should have done directly with this Government as per your credit claim in our favor. We hear that this Government have recently instructed you how to adjust the same. We therefore humbly pray that you will at your so early a convenience as possible favor us with a Letter to the Collector of Salt Revenue of Bombay giving him detailed particulars on the subject together with a copy of the Board's Proceedings relative to the adjustment of the accounts, and requesting him to release us from all the responsibilities and other liabilities arising from this head. We beg &c.

/ Signed / Brito Brothers

/ True Copy /
/ Signed / J. G. Horsfall
Ag Collector

/ True Copy /

Lawrence
Ag Sub-Secretary

Copied.

No 362. South Canara Collectorate Office
Mangalore 14th February 1876.

From The Acg Collector of South Canara

To The Collector, Salt Revenue,
Bombay.

Sir,

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2. They will of course furnish me with each shipment

Enclosure in Proceedings of the Board of Revenue & the Secretary to Government No 8 & 25th March 1876

No 1227/1876

Copy of letter from the Acg Collector of South Canara to the Collector, Salt Revenue Bombay dated 14th February 1876

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/ Signed / J. G. Horsfall

Ag Collector

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R. Hutchinson

Ag Sub Secretary

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No. 824.

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(True Copies and Extract.)

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Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with copies of enclosures and of Board's Proceedings,
dated 5th January 1876, No. 13, and 7th February 1876, No. 363.

,, the Collector of South Canara.

Exd. W. J. Lewis.

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Board of Revenue,

MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, 23RD MARCH 1876, No. 824.

Received

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MARCH.

No. 824.

Salt—supplied from Bombay for Government monopoly of South Canara District—Submitting to Government letter from Collector reporting that the Acting Collector of Salt Revenue, Bombay, presses for a cash remittance on account of duty on —, notwithstanding that there is no necessity for such payment under existing arrangements.

Revenue Department.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 23rd March 1876.

Read the following

No 518

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J. G. Dorsfall Esquire

Ag Collector of S. Canara.

To

C. A. Galton Esquire

Ag Secretary to the Board of Revenue

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G.O. 20 January 1875, No 775 - R.D.
G.O. 19 July 1875, No 1081 - R.D.

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South Canara Collr's Office
Bangalore 8 March 1876

Signed J. G. Horsfall
Actg Collector

Submitted

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/True Copy & Extract/

Rawlinson
Ag Sub-Secretary

To The Secretary to Government, Revenue Department
with copies of Enclosures & of Board's Proceedings
dated 5 January 1876, No 13, & 7 February 1876, No

No 6530

Order that Wm Hakers be summoned to the Govt of Bombay with a request to remove the restrictions complained of & that copy of this letter to the Govt of Bombay be sent to the Govt of India in order to obtain despatch orders on the subject of adjustment of this duty on salt exported from Bombay by contractors with Govt.

22nd April 1876

Bombay 1876 Despatch
Public Letter to Govt of India
No 1227 dated 22nd April
Board of Revenue

Read letter from Govt of Bombay
No D-2312 dated 28th March
enclosing letter from Collector
of Kaira forwarding petition
of Wm Hakers of Cambay
praying &c -

Submitting for orders the
remarks & letter from Collector
of Kaira forwarding petition of
Wm Hakers of Cambay
complaining of the
oppressive & vexatious
restrictions imposed on the
exportation of salt from Cambay
for foreign countries.

Recorded
No 6530 dated 22nd April 1876

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