

(1) Number of pages 22
(2) Date of repair 30.12.1980
(3) Initials of the Referencer _____

TAMIL NADU ARCHIVES

GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

Revenue DEPARTMENT

G.O. No.	3409	Press.
B.P. No.		Mis.
Dated	16.6.1877	197.E.

Not to be folded or roughly handled *82*

No. 2,534.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 1st June 1877.

Read the following Official Memorandum from the Additional Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Fort St. George, 30th May 1877, No. 200 :—

The undersigned is directed to request the Board of Revenue will call on Collectors of distressed districts to report whether the rule laid down by the Board and approved by Government in G.O. of the 7th instant, No. 1,663-A, practically neutralizes the intention of Government to relieve distress, and if so, whether relaxation of it is practicable without opening a door to extensive fraud.

(Signed) J. H. GARSTIN,
Additional Secretary to Government.

REFERRED to Collectors of distressed districts for very early report. The collection of opinions from Divisional officers will take too long and the Collectors are requested to give at once their own views on the matter.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

To the Collector of the Kistna District, }
" " of Nellore, }
" " of Bellary, }
" " of Cuddapah, }
" " of Kurnool, }
" " of Chingleput, }
" " of North Arcot, }
" " of South Arcot, }
" " of Trichinopoly, }
" " of Madura, }
" " of Tinnevely, }
" " of Coimbatore, }
" " of Salem, }
" " of Malabar, }
" Copy to the Collector of Tanjore- }
" " Commar. of Nilgiris. }
" " Additional Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

with copy of G.O., dated 7th May 1877, No. 1,663-A.

Exd. W. J. Lewis.

B
 My dear Lord S. &
 I venture to ask
 of your consideration of
 G. Grace approval of
 this order of the Board
 My personal ob-
 servation confirms
 me that in a very large
 mass of cases the
 charity is scarcely worth
 issuing on the con-

1877.

Board of Revenue,
MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, 13th JUNE 1877, No. 2,534.

Encl.

Received

JUNE.
No. 2,534.

Children of Persons on Relief Works.—Re-
 questing Collectors of distressed districts to
 report whether the rule laid down by Board
 relative to payment of allowance to — only on
 the days on which they are produced on the
 works practically neutralizes the intention of
 Government to relieve distress, and if so,
 whether relaxation of it is practicable without
 opening a door to extensive fraud.

3
Mr. Henry
Hobhouse

Paul

dillon for 8 piers will
not replace the waste
incident to getting it
The District Offi-
-ers have seen the
necessity & many are
no longer working the
they well & Mr. Samuels
deprecate withdrawing
so judicious a relief
of the infant life (institutions)
of the poor classes
I am & have

JH
24/5

24 May 1897

My dear to another
I am in reply to your note
stating that the Govt wished
the Board to reconsider their
Prop 28 April 1894 to the
effect that the 3rd allowance
should be paid only for children
produced within weeks daily,
I am directed to say that the
Board have done so, but do not
see their way to modifying
the orders. There seems to be

no way of preventing fraud
other than that laid down by
the Board, and even that is not
efficacious, as it is evident from
the proportions of their children
to numbers in the works, that
fraud is very common at present.

No system of registration would do,
as the children once registered ^{and}
in case ^{than their parents} I registered & paid
for a dozen times over probably.
The Board would be glad if
they could see any way of pre-

venting fraud but they can't.
The Landship is perhaps less than
might be imagined, as the children
or at least many of them would
be brought to the works, whether their
product, in order to be taken
care of.

James Brimm
W. H. H. H.

By Master for payment so
loan is impossible
The thing is a mean fancy
of the M^r & I don't think

a little brand but
have improved in
the whole desolate
in part.

C26-57

I think the Bed
have good reason

In consequence of the
note I sent you the
letter & had a
long talk with him
this morning. I

Reverend

I note, as directed in
Council, to the Secy to
the Bd. Board a D.O.
letter requesting the Board
to review and their P.O.
relative to the payments
for children being and
more for those produced
on the table daily &
to circulate his reply
for order.

24/5/11 J.H.P.

I wish that the
letter I report to the
Board only the only neutral
the intention of Govt. & where
distress. If so the delay
is not unlike in the
giving a more extensive
ground. L.H.

and to the Board
have a very strong
opinion that peace
exists already & that
the suggested relaxation
would largely increase it

The members certainly
give good grounds for
suspecting fraud

In the first instance all
who would work were
paid - then many
down to 5 or even 4. Some
then have been of service
to work -

Then it was decided "to
except such children

from work and giving
Pie & drink -
If W. Robinson would
have them paid only on
Pay day - but if the Govt.
risked orders are properly
carried out - this will be at
least three weekly - In some
cases daily -

I do not therefore see any
great advantage to parents or
children by having them at
home - while it certainly
increases an wholesome check
on fraud - If children are
left in villages miles from the
work - they may easily be
used to draw pay from 2 -
a mother may probably
lend a child for pay day
but not for every day - a
woman may come for pay
day but not to say to the

and two every day -
I am told that these
works are more than 2
miles away the people
generally camp out for
the work. as they did on the
Acconum doubling work
in such case there is no
hard ship - In shorter
distances the hard ship is
little - If the principle of
not paying any one on
a work who is not present
is once broken in upon
I am sure a door will be
open to fraud. by no means
limited to the individual case
- I adhere to the opinion
that the Board decision
is right Dec 29/5

C. J. G.
for
indoor

8
I am forced to
protest in the most
earnest manner I can
against this order of
the Board, both in the
interest of the poor and
of the infant life of the
Country

The works are all miles
distant from homes of
the great bulk of the
enfeebled laborers who
are employed on these
works & no accommodation
is provided at any of
them for either laborers

or their children. It seems
to me quite unreasonable
to force these poor destitute
creatures to carry ~~many~~
of the feeble infants of the
village daily to the works
to get 3 piers each & it is
absolutely needless. The
Potato Can give a life
certificate if needed, which
is not the case. Why
aggravate the suffering
of the poor Parents?

Then as regards the
children, can anything
be more inadvisable
than thus needlessly
dragging them the poor
children miles to pass
the day under the exposure
to the heat of this weather

9
or wet of a shower naked
and hungry - at home
they are tended by an
old woman pick up things
on the works they disturb
their parents and are utterly
miserable -

I would cancel by
telegram.

24/4 ~~J. B. Brown~~
Mr?

Rev. Department

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

dated 1st June 1877

Had official memo
 random from the Additional
 Secretary to Government R.D.
 dated 30th May 1877 no 200
 requesting the Board of Revenue
 to call on collectors of distressed
 districts to report whether the
 rule laid down in G.O. 77th May
 1877 no 1663 A practically
 realizes the intention of
 Government to relieve distress
 & if so whether relaxation of
 it is practicable without opening
 a door to extensive fraud.

No 2534

Referred to the Collectors
 of distressed districts for very
 early report. The Collection of
 opinions from divisional
 officers will take too long

Concurrence of the
 B.D. Secretary to Govt.
 29-5-77

I do not understand the
 purpose of this memo in spirit

And the Collectors are requested
to give at once their own
views on the matter

(True extract)

W. E. Stokes
Secretary.

To

The Collectors of distressed
districts

(True copy)

W. E. Stokes
Secretary.

To

The Additional Secretary
to Govt. R. D.

W. E. Stokes

W. E. Stokes

3409

29-9-93

RB-6-9
CS-6-9 RB-6-9 RB-10-9

Rec. 1077 Sept

Feb. 4/90

Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue
dated 1st June 1877
Page 4
D.D. 7-87

Handwritten note: 1877

Referring to the value
of diamonds & rubies
the 3. 11. 30 to May 1877
no. 200 calling for more
on the working of the
mine about the payment
of 13 free to children
of same coffee

Handwritten signature and date: 16 Jan 1877

For BB 7A 1870 of 21st June/77