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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
28th February 1877.

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2. It appears from paragraph 3 of the Memorandum referred to that the permanent guard of 110 men includes 40 men for guarding ten treasuries. I am to suggest, for the consideration of His Grace the Governor in Council, whether payments by traders might not be made into the nearest Tahsil Treasury, which would obviate the necessity of maintaining Salt Treasuries.

COMMUNICATED to the Board of Revenue for report on the necessity for Salt Treasuries referred to by the Government of India. Copy of G.O., dated 11th November 1876, No. 1,631, will now be sent to the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. B. GRIGG,
Ag. Under Secy. to Govt.

THE Board are required to report on the necessity for the maintenance of Salt Treasuries, the Government of India having suggested, with reference to a recent increase of the Salt Guards in Nellore, that payment might be made by traders into the nearest Tahsil Treasury. A reference to the papers marginally noted will show that a similar proposition was made in 1863 by the then Inspector-General of Police and referred for report to all Collectors of Maritime Districts. It was shown that Salt Treasuries could not be dispensed with altogether without serious inconvenience to traders as it would necessitate long journeys, the nearest Taluq Treasury being generally situated at a considerable distance from the salt works, and lead to a falling off in retail sales. At the same time it was suggested that for the convenience of merchants arrangements should be made for receipt of payment at Taluq or District Treasuries instead of at Salt Treasuries to facilitate wholesale transactions, this course

G.O., dated 12th March 1863, No. 494, and 9th March 1864, No. 409.

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Kanuparti ..	Ongole	About 15 miles.
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2. Numerous small sales at the works are characteristic of this Presidency, and their existence exercises an important influence in cheapening salt to the consumers. The proposed system would be very prejudicial to such transactions, and is to be deprecated on that ground. The Government will remember that payment into a treasury at a distance is one of the causes to which the decline of the Pooree salt sales has been attributed.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

No. 859. ORDER THEREON, 28th February 1877, No. 859.

Separate Revenue, No. 45.
Salt.

His Grace the Governor in Council fully endorses the views of the Board.

2. Ordered that the following letter be despatched to the Government of India:—

(Here enter No. 860, dated 28th February 1877.)

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
Exd. T. O'Connor.

Copy of (1877) Madras REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated February, 28th.

Read.

Ends.

G.O., 28th February 1877, No. 859.

FEBRUARY.

Nos. 858-859.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
Copy to the Inspector-General of Police.
,, to the Collector of Nellore.
Edd. W. J. Lewis.

Board of Revenue, MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, 9TH FEBRUARY 1877, No. 494.

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FEBRUARY.
No. 494.

Salt Treasuries.—Submitting statement required as to necessity for maintenance of—.

Letter from Govt. India
7th Dec. 76. 341.
Bds Revs 9th Feb 77
No 494.

The Govt of India make two inquiries in the above letter with reference to the proposed increase to the Salt Guards, Nellore: why the attractive establishment beyond the Supt of Police, costing 2,305 per annum now sanctioned was not approved [2] with reference to Salt Treasuries — why they could not be abolished, payments being made to the nearest Taluk & then Mr. Price Guard charges saved —

With regard to query [1] — please see Mr. Potter's memo. & with original papers — G.O. 20th June 1876 — No 828 — the increase in the Guards wholly disallowed

In Say Kat Lyall's absence on leave the Question Mr. Potter referred to in connection with the proposed salt Consumers should be dealt with at present. Abstract of salary expenditure & Cover Book required to place the

two weeks & the effective in
pursuance of salt theft &c
having regard to Leg (2). the
Bd Point was that the
whole matter was fully
considered & Govt. in 1863 -
& the necessity of retaining
these generally was admitted.
The Treasurer
The Bd Point was the
desirability of adhering to
existing arrangements -
It is submitted that -
the Bd's new decision be approved -
that they be communicated
to G.T. - and at the
same time that that
Govt. be informed, that
any reduction in Salt-
guard Duties - is not
thought desirable —

18.2.77

Stated in the official Return the
maps &c under above
heads of

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Memo for Orders

Billers Salt-guards
Salt Treasurer

Salt Treasurer's Salt

Ans No 859

Let there be Govt. in Council
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Q.7. H.P. No 860 of 28-2-77
(Letter)

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