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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

13th November 1878, No. 1,820.

Read the following paper :—

No. 146. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 28th October 1878, No. 2,894.

Read the following letter from H. W. BLISS, Esq., Commissioner of Salt Revenue, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Mangalore, 1st October 1878, No. 40-1,349 :—

I HAVE the honor to enclose a list of tenders for salt in South Canara received and accepted by me.

2. The total only comes to 5,604 maunds out of 48,193 advertised for sale. This result is very disappointing. The only explanation that the Salt Deputy Collector can give me is that the principal traders have already made arrangements and *given advances* for salt to be delivered in the coming open season, a fact I was not before aware of. There were also no tenders from above the Ghauts as it was expected there would be. I can assign no reason for this. Every pains was taken to make them acquainted with the fact of the sale. Mr. Comyn is also of opinion that the minimum fixed was too high.

3. The further steps to be taken for the disposal of the Government stocks of salt in this district have now to be considered.

4. Mr. Comyn thinks, and I agree with him, that no immediate steps should be taken for the sale of the stock of the locally manufactured salt at Harnad, Angali, and Vaderhobli; but that the excise manufacturers in that neighborhood should be left in command of the market until they have disposed of the stocks they have on hand.

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May	...
June	561
July	867
August	1,357
September	2,030
Total	4,815

Their sales during the monsoon have been very small, but will no doubt increase now. After a month or two we shall know the rate at which their stocks are going off, and it will then be possible to fix on a date when the Government stocks may be offered for sale without the risk of interfering with them and lowering prices to their disadvantage.

5. As regards the remaining stocks (that is, principally those in the southern parts of the district) Mr. Comyn and I think another sale should be tried in the end of February or beginning of March. We would propose at once to advertise about 1,50,000 maunds for sale, and would sell to the highest bidder at auction above a minimum, which we would fix as follows :—

	RS.	A.	P.	
Bombay salt	0	5	0	per maund.
Damaun "	0	4	0	"
Goa "	0	2	0	"
Canara "	0	2	0	"

6. We propose these very low rates in order to attract bidders to the auction and in the expectation that, if they can be induced to attend, competition may lead them to give more; and we propose to sell by auction instead of by tender because we consider that it is useless to advertise for tenders if a minimum is notified, and because, having once notified a minimum, we consider that the absence of such a notification in future will tend to cause misconceptions which are likely to deter merchants from tendering.

7. At the same time that I advertised this auction, I would also advertise the sale of the remaining Government stocks for a date to be hereafter fixed in October next year. Mr. Comyn agrees in this also. No one can then complain of want of due notice.

8. I request early orders so that I may get the advertisements out at once.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—List of Tenders.

SUBMITTED for the information and orders of Government.

2. The results reported are unexpected; they are inconvenient as regards the disposal of Government stocks, but satisfactory as showing the vitality of the trade. The causes of the failure to dispose of the Government stocks of salt are seemingly the fact of advances having already been made for other purchases before the Government sales were advertised and the absence of any but the most local competition. There is no ground for thinking that the second cause will cease to operate in future sales, as the experience of other sales shows that there is no probability of competition from Mysore; the other difficulty can be met by early advertisement of the coming sales, in March and October. The Board approve the proposal to advertise a lakh and a half of maunds of salt for sale in March at once, with a general intimation of further sales in October; and as the Commissioner and Collector concur in thinking that auction sales should be tried on the next occasion in lieu of disposal by tender, the Board would allow the experiment, although they doubt whether better results will be obtained. The proposal to give time to the manufacturers of Harnad, Vaderhobli, and Angali to dispose of their stocks before placing the Government salt in the market is approved.

3. The early orders of Government are solicited.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Acting Secretary.

No. 147.

ORDER THEREON, 13th November 1878, No. 1,820.

Separate Revenue, No. 11.

Salt.

In the circumstances brought to notice the Government accept the Board's proposals.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) L. A. CAMPBELL,
Under-Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. W. H. French.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

No. 4753.

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From Board of Revenue.

Dated 28th October — 1878.

FOR ORDERS.

For accept
The Secy. to Govt.
Dn 2211

Govt. of (1878) Mysore

REVENUE.

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated November 1878.

Friday 16th.

Recd.

G.O., 12th November 1878, No. 1,890.

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NOVEMBER.
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27-11-75. R. S. S. S.

8-11-75. South Canara District—Accepting pro-
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No. 2894

Revenue Department

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 28th October 1878

Read the following

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From

H. W. Bliss Esquire

Commissioner of Salt Revenue

To

C. A. Galton Esquire

Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Madras

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(True Copy Extract.)

W. C. C.
Secretary.

To

The Secretary to Government P.D.
with copy of enclosure.

W. C. C.
Copy
Gholam Durr Khan.

<i>Number</i>	Name of Tenderer	Kind of Salt	Amount per gross pound T.M.	Rate per maund A.P.	Amount allot. ted T.M.	Remarks

Mangeshwar			
1	Neerati Kalanda	Bombay	300 7 " 300
		Goa	200 4 " 200

1 Haradi Ramana Shambog Canara 500 2 6 500

1 Mulki Malliah Bombay 300 / " 300

2 Kuladi Charadpai Canara 300 2 8 300

Total { Bombay 2600
Goa 1604 } 5604
Canara 1400 }

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(Signed) J. B. W. Bliss
Commissioner of Salt Rv.
(True Copy)

W. Allen
Ag Secretary.

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G.W.

Ms 1820 of 13 November 178.

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Notice: The Government hereby - the day

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