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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 14th May 1878.

Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 18th April 1878, No. 611, Revenue Department.

Read the following paper :—

Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Department of Revenue, Agriculture, and Commerce (Statistics), dated Calcutta, 12th April 1878, No. 59.

RESOLUTION.

IN the alphabetical list of articles used in the compilation of the returns of the sea-borne trade of British India sugar is entered thus :—

1.—Sugar and sugarcandy.
2.—Other saccharine produce.

2. The trade under the second head is very large, the exports to foreign countries having amounted in 1876-77 to 418,998 cwts. as compared with 674,627 cwts. of "sugar and sugarcandy." Doubts existing as to the precise articles recorded under this head, inquiry was made, and it has been ascertained that the bulk of the entries under the second head represents molasses and jaggery or goor. Honey (in Bengal, Sind, and Madras), date juice (in Bombay and Sind), and *panet* (in Madras) are also classed under this head. The trade in these articles, however, is small, and that in date juice and *panet* (a juice obtained from the spadix of the *Borassus flabelliformis*) must be of quite a local character.

3. The present wording of the entry is faulty, and the Governor-General in Council accordingly directs that from the 1st of the current month the following classification may be adopted :—

1.—Sugar, refined or crystallised, including sugarcandy.
2.—Sugar, unrefined, viz., molasses and jaggery or goor, and other saccharine produce.

4. Honey should not in future be classed under "Sugar." Its proper place is under "Provisions—other sorts," with which it should be included, undistinguished, from the 1st of the present month.

ORDER.—Ordered that the foregoing Resolution be forwarded to the Governments of Bengal, Bombay, and Madras, and the Chief Commissioner of British Burmah, with a request that the classification prescribed may be followed in all returns from the commencement of the current official year.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. E. O'CONOR,
for Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

COMMUNICATED to the Board of Revenue for information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Secretary to Government.

COMMUNICATED to all Collectors of Maritime Districts for information and guidance.

2. The revised classification should be adopted from the beginning of the current year, but, if the returns for April 1878 have been despatched before the receipt of these Proceedings, a memorandum of alterations to be made, if any, should be submitted.

(True Extract.)

Acting Secretary

To all Collectors of Maritime Districts.

Copy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Exd. W. J. Fischer.

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MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, 14TH MAY 1878, No. 1301.

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Trade and Navigation Returns.—Communicating to Collectors of Maritime Districts Government Order on Resolution of Government of India regarding revised classification of the heads "sugar and sugarcandy, &c." (No. 79), in alphabetical list used in compilation of —— and transfer of "honey" from head of "sugar, &c." to that of "provisions — other sorts."