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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 110 Press Mis.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
16th January 1861.

No. 218. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 24th December 1860, No. 6,048 :—

Read the following letter from J. SILVER, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George, dated Trichendoor, 17th December 1860, No. 507.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to forward copy of a letter from the Master Attendant, Tuticorin, dated the 8th December, together with copies in English and Tamil of an Advertisement regarding the contemplated Pearl Fishery, showing the value of the Oysters lately taken up from the six banks proposed to be fished in March next.

2. The Pearls found in these Oysters were forwarded to the Board with my letter of the 11th instant.

3. I will have Tamil translations of the Advertisement made at my Printing Press here, but as I cannot get Telugu and Malayalum translations made in Tinnevelly, I beg to request the Board will cause 200Copies, in each language, to be printed in Madras, and sent to me at an *early date.*

4. I further request that this Advertisement may be inserted in the "Fort Saint George Gazette," and several copies printed at Madras, and sent to the Government of Ceylon, with a request that it may be made widely known there.

5. I have inserted a clause in the Advertisement, that Chanks taken up from the Pearl banks will belong to Government, in accordance with a similar Notification made on occasion of the last Fishery in 1830, by the then Collector Mr. Drury. The Chank renter is prohibited by the terms of his contract, from fishing within ¼ of a mile of the Pearl banks, so he can put forward no legal claim to Chanks taken up from the banks which are not within the limits, where he is allowed to fish.

6. Since addressing the Board, I have had the Jodi Talaven (hereditary Head man of the Divers and Fishermen) with me for several days, and the Master Attendant Captain Phipps is at present with me, to discuss the necessary arrangements for the Fishery. Both these Officers, assure me that they confidently look forward to a successful Fishery, and that the prospects are most encouraging. Every one of the banks proposed to be fished, is reported to be well stocked, and since I have heard details, I am inclined to regard the Fishery, in a much more hopeful light, than I did at first. What may be the actual results, I cannot pretend to say, with any thing like certainty ; but that there will be a large surplus to Government after paying all expenses, there cannot be a doubt. I trust a new and valuable source of Revenue, too much overlooked and neglected in past years, will now be opened out.

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1. Ordered that the above letter be submitted for the information of Government.

2. Ordered also that the English and Tamil versions of the Advertisement be forwarded for publication in the "Fort Saint George Gazette," and that 200 spare copies in each language be sent to the Collector for distribution. Copy of the English Advertisement will also be sent to the Telugu and Malayalum Translators, with a request that translations may be made and furnished to the Board with as little delay as possible.

(A true Extract and Copy.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Acting Secretary.*

No. 219. ORDER THEREON, 16th January 1861, No. 110.

Ordered to be recorded.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,

Secretary to Government.

Master Attendant's Office
Tutacorin 8th December 1860

From,
G. A. Phipps Esqre
Master Attendant
To,
I. Silver Esqre
Collector of
Tinnevelly

Sir,

With reference to my letter No 98, dated 28th Ultimo, I have now the honor to forward an amended English and Tamil Advertisement for the Pearl Fishery, shewing the valuation of the Oysters on each Bank, the average being Rs 14-7-10 per 1000. one thousand; this has been fixed by 4 Coilpatam and 3 Tutacorin Pearl Dealers and is considered very satisfactory as Oysters of this value will when put up to Competition realize quite double the amount.

2 The six packages of Pearls are forwarded

forwarded by this day's Banghy, the Total value of which is Rs. 89--10, Should the Government not require to keep them in Madras, I beg to suggest that they be returned to me, to keep as samples, and sold at the conclusion of the Fishery.

3 It will be necessary to have a large number of Copies of this Advertisement printed, in English, Tamil, Telugu and Malayalam, and I beg that several copies of each, may be forwarded to me as soon as possible.

I have &c.

(Signed) G. A. Phipps
Master Attendant

(True Copy)

J. Pichon
Collector

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Copy in a Letter to Engt
of 12th February 1861 No 29

1860 Dispatch

Enclosure No 1 in a letter
from the Collector of
Tinnevelly dated
17th December 1860 No 507

In No 6736 of 1860
In Cons 22d Decr "

Copy of the Maker
Attendants letter
Referred to in the
above letter -

R. 3088/60

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(Signed in Tamil) Magie deen Abdul Cader
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" Magie deen Tambee
" Wallew Lieds Mogiomadoo
" Crocopillay Summattee
" Samil Cader Miguel Pillay
" Nullatamby Ansary

(Signed in English) Tadi Talavamore

(True Translation)
(Signed) G. A. Phipps
Master Attendant

(True Copy)
(Signed) J. Silver
Collector

(True Copy)

S. Sanders
Acting Secretary.-

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Government Advertisement

Pearl Fishery.

Notice is hereby given that a pearl Fishery will take place at Tuticorin on or about the 1st March 1861 the Banks to be fished are the Cruchan Par, Cruchantoonda Par, Nagara Par, & the Par Vaalee Par and Auttu Cubada Par and are estimated to employ 100 Boats for 15 days division into two fleets of 50 Boats to fish on alternate days.

It is therefore recommended that such boat owners and divers as may wish to be employed should be at Tuticorin on or before the 20th of February next and anchor their boats abreast of the fishery Flag staff two miles north of the town of Tuticorin

The fishery will be conducted on account of Govt and the Oysters put aside to sale in such lots as may be deemed expedient. Any chanks taken up from the Pearl Banks will be the property of Govt.

Payments to be made in ready money in company's Rs

Drafts on the Madras or Columbo banks at 15 days sight will be taken on letters of credit being produced to warrant the drawing of such drafts or bills

For the convenience of purchasers the Collrs of the various districts in this Presy will be authorized to receive cash deposits and grant letters of credit to parties intending to become purchasers and drafts on these officers will be taken in payment of sums due on account of the fishery

Signed J Tilver Collector.

Vimeveli Tricheendur 17 Decr 1860.

Statement of the Produce and valuation of 10142 Oysters taken from the different Pearl Banks.

Name of Banks & No of Oysters	Description & quality	No and size of Boats	Weight				Value		Total Value		Rate of valuation in Rupees	
			Vallanjy		Manjaddy						Per Chew	Per Thalanga
			No	Description	Vallanjy	Manjaddy	Rs	as	Rs	as		
Cruchan Par 981	Anie	30	1	Small	14/320	3/8	5	3			Rs 49	
	do	50	1	Small	8/320	3/16	1	3			do	
	Vadivu	100				15/8						
		200				1 1/8						
		400				2 1/8	7	10				Rs 31-8
		600				3 3/8						
	Tool	800				2 1/8						
		1000				2	4	9				Rs 14
	Mosie					2 1/2	7					Rs 3-8
	Shell Parks						8					
					15 7/16	19	10	1	19	10		
Cruchantoonda Par 670	Anie	80	1	Small	8/320	3/16	1	3			Rs 49	
	Kalippa	80	1			3/16		8	5			Rs 56
	Russell	80	1			3/4		8	8			" 14
	Vadivu	100										
		250			2 1/4	2 1/4	3	8	9			" 31-8
		400										
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		1000										
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	Shell Parks						4					
					8 5/8	8	10	10	8	11	10	
Nagara par 1012	Cavalli	30	1	Small	5/16	5/16	5	3				Rs 21
	Kalippa	30	4		5/8	5/8	1	8	6			Rs 49
		50										
	Anie	80	1	Small	15/320	7/16	2	4	9		Rs 49	
	Vadivu	100										
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Copy in a Letter to England
of 2d February 1861 N. 29

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5th January 1861

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Submitting for information a letter from the Collector of Tinnevelly forwarding an Advertisement regarding the contemplated Pearl Fishery.

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16th Jan. 1861.

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