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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
1st March 1869.

No. 9. Read the following letter from the Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Revenue Department, to the Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George, Madras, dated Bombay Castle, 6th February 1869, No. 538:—

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 27, dated the 3rd ultimo, and of its accompanying copy of Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, relative to certain recent attempts to smuggle opium from Madras to the Mauritius and other places, and to forward, for your information, the accompanying copy of a report on the subject by the Commissioner of Customs, Salt and Opium, at this Presidency, No. 284, dated the 27th idem.

No. 284.
REPORT.

1. It does not appear from the records that any attempt to smuggle opium from this port to the Mauritius has ever been detected, or otherwise brought to light, by the Officers of this Department.

2. This circumstance naturally leads to the conclusion that smuggling of the article from Bombay does not exist to that extent which the Acting Collector of Madras, in the 4th paragraph of his letter to the Madras Board of Revenue, suspects, an inference borne out by the fact that Bombay has little or no *export* trade with the Mauritius, and has not either a direct steam communication with that Island.

3. If the Statement requested in the Board's Proceedings (paragraph 6) is furnished by the Mauritius Government to the Government of Bombay, this Department will be in a better position to watch in what manner, and by which particular class of persons, smuggling of opium is carried on, and by this means put an effectual check on the illicit export of it.

(Signed) L. REID.
Commissioner of Customs.

BOMBAY OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS,
27th January 1869.

No. 10. ORDER THEREON, 1st March 1869, No. 522.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated, together with the enclosure, to the Board of Revenue, with reference to G. O., 6th January 1869, No. 26.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. G. A. Turton.

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