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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
1st May 1876.

No. 6. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 24th April 1876, No. 1,086:—

Read the following letter from R. W. BARLOW, Esq., Collector of Chingleput, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Red Hills, 19th April 1876, No. 231.

In continuation of my No. 228, of the 12th instant, I have the honor to forward, for the information of the Board, copies of further letters received from the Superintending Engineer and the Salt Deputy Collector on the subject of the Ennore bar.

2. With reference to Colonel Moberly's remark at paragraph 2, as to my delay and its consequences, I would submit that from the 5th to the 12th instant, on which latter date my reply was in the Superintending Engineer's hands, was not an unreasonable delay—as a reference had to be made to the Salt department—even had not the fact of the Deputy Collector's absence on circuit rendered the same unavoidable; but if a few days delay must necessitate "very much increased" expenditure Colonel Moberly might, I think, have said so in his No. 38, reporting the abrupt stoppage of the work.

3. I consider too, if a cessation of a few days was so clearly inadvisable, the work need not have been stopped at all, without prior reference to me, as observed by my Salt Deputy. The Superintending Engineer now says he had "no option;" but I note that the proposed expenditure (Rupees 1,000) had been

* Paragraph 3 of Superintending Engineer's, No. 38, of 5th instant.

nearly trebled* before he took this sudden step, and that G.O., Public Works Department, No. 691—though adopting

Colonel Moberly's figures—clearly contemplate keeping the bar open so long as the requirements of the Salt department demanded such course.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From Colonel F. J. MOBERLY, R.E., Superintending Engineer, to R. W. BARLOW, Esq., Collector of Chingleput, dated 13th April 1876, No. B.

In reply to your No. 152, dated 12th instant, I have the honor to observe that I had no discretion under Government Order which I quoted (of which I have no copy immediately by me) and therefore felt bound to stop work till I could hear from you.

2. I am afraid that my rough estimate will be very much increased by the week's delay in receiving your answer, during which we have lost a series of spring tides.

3. I have now sent to the Range Officer to recommence operations, and to report weekly what money he is laying out.

4. The Deputy Collector complains that I did not give him any notice. I beg to point out that the Government gave me no option and that I had no information from him or any of his department as to the success of my work, from which I could judge how far I might undertake responsibility.

5. The startling fact that the water which came in was not enough to counterbalance the consumption in the pans and loss by evaporation did not encourage me to hope that I was doing any good by the costly work I was doing.

6. I have not seen or heard from the Salt department since the 25th January when I met the Deputy Collector on the bar.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) R. W. BARLOW,
Collector.

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1st May 1876.*

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

From D. V. NARASAYA ROW, Salt Deputy Collector, to R. W. BARLOW, Esq., Collector of
Chingleput, dated Ennore, 17th April 1876, No. 270.

2. I take this opportunity to report that the water in the canal between the lock and the basin at the Canal Toll Office has fallen, and navigation is almost suspended in consequence; and the cargo brought from the northern countries is unladen at Kuttivakam and conveyed to Madras by carts.

3. With reference to your docket of the 12th instant, No. 617, forwarding your letter to Colonel Moberly of the same date, I beg to inform you that the work at the Ennore bar is not commenced as yet, but I have been informing to all the salt ryots by beat of tom-tom that orders have been passed to open the bar immediately.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) R. W. BARLOW,
Collector.

THE Board much regret that there should have been any stoppage of work at Ennore. The effect of the work now recommenced on the salt manufacture should be communicated weekly to the Superintending Engineer, who should also inform the Collector weekly of the progress of the work and its cost.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) E. GIBSON,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

No. 7.

ORDER THEREON, 1st May 1876, No. 561.

Miscellaneous.

COMMUNICATED to the Public Works
Department in continuation of the docket
dated 22nd April 1876.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Public Works Department,
„ the Board of Revenue.

Exd. J. Tulloch

Revenue Department

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Dated 24 April 1876.

Read the following:—

No. 231.

From

R. W. Barlow Esqr.

Collector of the Chingleput Dt.

To

C. A. Galtm Esqr

Ag. Secretary to the

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Madras

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Cont. of 1876

REVENUE

To

THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Secy, &c.,

Dated May, 1st.

Recd.

G. O., 1st May 1876, No. 561.

MAY.
Nos. 6-7.

Enure Bar in the Chingleput District.—On
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Deputy Dh
Collector's office
Red Hills

19th April 1876

Shaver
(to) R. W. Barton.
Collector

Salt, Deputy Collector's office
Camp Surur
17 April 1876.

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Chingleput District
To The Collector
Chingleput District
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Chance
(12) M. Narayana Rao
Dy Collector.
(True copy)
(12) R W Bastons
Collector

Supy. Engineer's office
Chingleput
13 April 1876.

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(100) F. F. Moberly Col. Rb.
(101) Suptg. Engr. - (Chapman)
(102) R. W. Baston
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(True copy extract)

(22) E. Gibson

Ag. Sub Secretary

To the collector of Bhinipat

(True copy)

Santharam

Ag. Sub Secretary

To

The Secretary Government R. D.

E. Gibson
Ag. Sub Secretary

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Communicated to the
Public works department
in continuation of his docket of
22^d April 1876.

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Resolving 1875
Proceeding the
Board of Revenue.

Advised 24th April 1876.
April 25th - " -
April 28th - " -

with order
No 561 - 1st May 1876

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the opening of the Treasury
with the account that
the effect of the work was
recommenced on 28th April
manufacture 28th April