Revenue (1898) Department.

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DATED 26th April.

[Despatch Abstract.]

The correspondence on the subject of exempting from duty, hunting saddle imported by a military officer, forwarded for the favour of opinion of H.E. the Lieutenant General Commanding the forces as to whether officers of regiment of the Madras Infantry are required to supply themselves with ordinary hunting saddle under Army Regulations.

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To

The D.A.G. Madras Command.

From

The Secretary to the Commissioner of Salt, Abkari and Separate Revenue, Madras

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Dated 19th March 1898.

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SUBJECT.

Submitting to Government for orders letter from the Collector of Sea Customs, Madras on the Subject of the grant of free entry to an ordinary hunting saddle imported by a military officer.

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REVENUE BOARD OFFICE MADRAS

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Separate Revenue),

Dated 19th March 1898.

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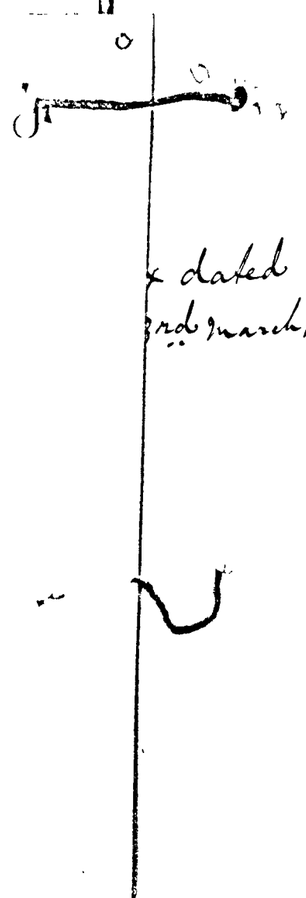
Read the following letter from the Collector of Sea Customs Madras No. 1542 G. dated 14th March 1898.

"I have the honor to submit the following Case for the orders of the Government of India with reference to the Notification of that Government Contained in Board's Proceedings No. 35 (S. R.) of 8th February 1898, on the subject of the Grant of free entry to Saddlery of a Military pattern imported by a Military officer as part of his equipment. The Case in question, is as follows:—

2. Captain Pritchard of the 22nd M. I, imported an ordinary hunting Saddle

Saddle with single snaffle bridle and martingale, and claimed to pass them free as part of his military equipment. In support of this statement he explains "that two kinds of saddles are used by Infantry officers – one, the Infantry mounted officers saddle, and the other, an ordinary hunting saddle, and this latter is of the kind which is in use in my own Regiment". As, however the notification distinctly states 'that Saddlery of a military pattern only – such as an officer is obliged to supply himself with – under the army Regulations – is exempt from customs duty, and as the saddle in question is an ordinary hunting saddle I have charged duty on it, pending the orders of the Government of India on the question, whether Saddlery, which is not of a military pattern, is to be admitted free of duty, because it



dated 2nd March 1898

is used by Infantry officers and Certified by them as necessary for Regimental purposes

3 A Copy of Captain Pritchard's letter is forwarded herewith"

Resolution

Submitted for the orders of Government.

2. The Board is of opinion that the Notification Communicated in Government order Mis No. 553 dated 2nd February 1898 limits the exemption from duty to Saddles strictly of a military pattern, which an officer is required to supply himself with under army Regulations.

(True Copy and Extract)

R.W. Thurlow
26.3.98
Ag. Assistant Secretary

To The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

Copy to the Collector of Sea Customs
Madras

2nd
LS
26/3/98

Berhampore Ganjam
March 3rd /98 &c.

Messrs Binny and Co.

Gentlemen,

Reference your letter forwarding a true Copy of a letter from the Collector of Sea Customs, in which this officer states that the saddlery in the Case is ordinary saddlery. The Saddle as far as I am aware is an ordinary hunting Saddle with shifting panels and required by me for parade and regimental purposes. The stable requisites are also required as part of the equipment of my charger and I therefore declared the same to be part of my military equip-ment and not for private use.

I would further explain that two kinds of Saddles are used by Infantry officers, one is called the Infantry mounted officers Saddle and the other an ordinary hunting Saddle, and this latter is of the kind which is in use in my own Regiment. I was not aware that Stable requisites did not come within the meaning of the words Military equipment which I use in good faith, because I require all that the box

box contains for use with my charger for military purposes, especially for use in the rains. Your letter of 12th February 1898 which I enclose, you asked me to state that the Saddlery was for my private use, to enable you to clear the same free of duty but I did not do so as the Saddlery was for use in the Regiment and therefore for use in a public service sense.

Please inform me if I can declare it for private use – as of course I did not have the Saddlery sent out for purpose of sale to others. Please therefore inform the Collector of Sea Customs that the entire Saddlery is for use with my charger for military purposes and not for purposes of sale but only for my private use at the same time if duty is charged kindly pay the same and let me know the cost of the whole forwarding the Saddlery to me via Gapalpore. Lieutenant Reece could have explained all this when he came to you for the Saddlery when he went to Madras for his examination. I was much surprised as he was at not getting it

Yours faithfully
(Signed) H. E. Pritchard

(True copy)

Sea Custom House
Madras, 14th March 1898

(Signed) J. A. Atkinson
Ag. Collector
Sea Customs

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(True copy)

R. W. Newley
Ag. Assistant Secretary

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