

Revenue (1898) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 3422

DATED 20th Aug. 98

[Despatch Abstract.]

Receiving letter from the Chairman, Chamber of Commerce
Cocacada, forwarding copy of a letter addressed to Major Mahon with
reference to his remarks (in the report on the working of the Salween iron
ores) on the question whether the neighbourhood of Cocacada ~~could compete~~
~~with Salween~~ would be a good site for establishing the works.

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The Chairman
Chamber of Commerce
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Note

It seems unnecessary to send
this communication to the Secy of
State. No reference was made
to the question now raised in
the despatch to the Secy of State

No 3 of 24. 3. 1898. Perhaps this
communication may be printed and
placed on the E.T.

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SUBJECT.

Enclosing copy of a letter
addressed to Major Mahon R.A.
with reference to his report dated
5 May 1897 on the working of the
Salon iron ores.

Very Hardly necessary?

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Chamber of Commerce
 Cocanada 3rd August 98.

From The Chairman
 Chamber of Commerce
 Cocanada.
 To, Major Mahon R.A.
 Superintendent
 Foundry & Shell Factory
 Cossifore.

Sir, The attention of the members of this Chamber has recently been drawn to your able report dated 5th May 1897 on the question of working the Salem Iron ores and I am desired to say with reference to the paragraph reading:
 "The only other place on the Bay of Bengal which could apparently compete would be the neighbourhood of Cocanada, working the Sugamani Fields, but the want of facilities for transit and the fact that all the District is a century behind the Bengal area leads me to neglect it in favour of Calcutta." And a sentence in the note immediately following the foregoing:-
 "The difficulties and expenses can hardly however

"be calculated as the least
"Coast ports are closed frequently
"during monsoon weather"

That these statements will hardly bear the searching light of investigation in as much as the Godavari District is intersected by a perfect network of canals and Cocanada is in direct communication by railway with Hyderabad, also with Madras and later on will be with Calcutta when the East Coast and Bengal Nagpore railways are finished.

There is therefore no lack of facilities for transit. The Port of Cocanada moreover is the only one on this coast where vessels can be with entire safety in all weathers.

The ore could be transferred direct from the railway trucks into boats carrying 50 to 100 tons, boats of this size being the usual ones that ply between the port & shipping.

Steamers for English and other European ports call here all the year round and there is no difficulty in the landing and shipping of cargo.

I have the honor
(Signed) W. J. Highton
Chairman

COCANADA. 4th August 1898

From W. J. Highton Esq.
Chairman, Chamber of Commerce
Cocanada.

To, The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Ootacamund

Sir, With reference to your
order no 127 Revenue
dated 9th January 1897 I have
the honor to enclose copy
of letter addressed to Major
Mahon R.A. with reference
to his report dated 5th
May 1897 on the working
of the Salem iron ores.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
W. J. Highton
Chairman.

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