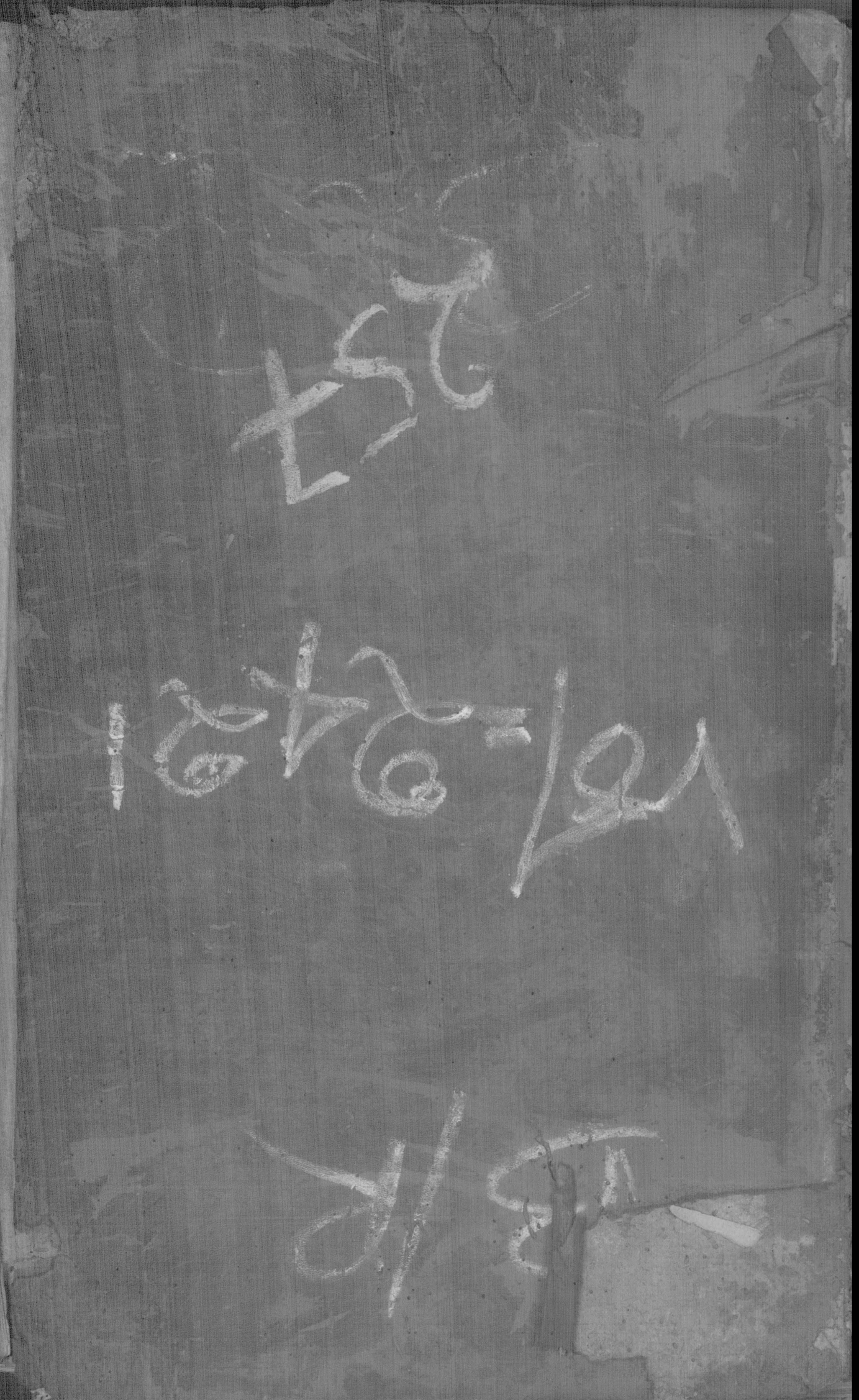


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To
W.H. Bayley Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St George

Sir

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Bd No 1694

From the Collector of Salem - - - -

As required in your letter dated the 6th Ultimo, I have the honor to submit herewith the first triennial return of Chowltries called for in the Board's Circular of the 8th July 1852, for 1854 prepared in the prescribed form.

Circular order 20th August 1829. Page 106. Circular order Book

Salem Collector's Office
On Circuit
Pollachy, 19th May 1854

(Signed) H.C. Brett
Collector

Triennial

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Triennial Return of Chowtries that have already obtained or that may henceforward obtain Grants of land for their support prepared as per Boards Circular dated 8th July 1852 in the District of Salem for 1854—

Daramporry in the Daramporry Talook	Aroonachellich	Dry	25	18	-	9	14	11 Extract Mins Cons 26th June 1844.
		Wet	18	120	-	50	1	1
			43	38	-	60	2	-
Vambudy Chatrum in the Razepoor Talook	Narasimma Chetty	Dry	3	9	15	15	10	9 Extract Mins Cons 1st August 1846.
		Wet	4	15	2	48	10	11
			7	25	1	64	5	8
Coomarapollium in the Senkerrydroog Talook	Govinda Row	Dry	69	26	12	60	-	- Sanction of the Govt of India 21st Decr 1849
Venkatanaiken pollium in the Senkerrydroog Talook	Kylasa Gounden	Dry	53	11	15	50	-	- Bd Pro 19th Jany 1852.
		Dry	341	6	5	315	11	3
Total Grant for the 10 Chuttrums		Garden	6	-	-	4	-	
		Wet	50	16	5	272	6	1
		Total	391	28	10	588	5	4

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		Wet	18	120	-	50	1	1	
			43	38	-	60	-	-	
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		Wet	4	15	2	48	10	11	
			7	25	1	64	5	8	
Coomarapollicm in the Senkerrydroog Talook	Govinda Row	Dry	69	26	12	60	-	-	Sanction of the Govt of India 21st Dec 1849
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No 51

To W. H. Bayley Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue,
Fort St George.

32.

Bd's No 966.
From the Collr
of Madura.

Sir,

With reference to the orders of the Board noted in the margin, I have the honor to forward a Report

Forwarding copy of a Report from the Sub-Collector on the assessment of the Pulney Hills.

30th July 1849 - Para 14
10th May 1853.

by the Sub-Collector Mr Clarke on the assessment of the Pulney Hills. I was absent on Sick Certificate at the time of its date, and Mr Clarke retained it for a short time after my return for the purpose of making a few slight alterations forwarding it to me finally in November last.

2. The Report first states reason for all radical change being postponed till means can be afforded to make a Scientific Survey and I fully concur in this opinion.

3. In Para 6 Mr Clarke points out that the leading defects of the present System are 1st that the tax is placed on the products and not on the lands - 2dly that the Dania tax has been imposed on the

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Bd's Ord: 18th Septr 1843.

This individual was only appointed that Govt would not sanction the grant of Commission to the Grant of 60 Rs per annum but has not appointed him as no entry was made in Colonel Mackenzie's statement.

The application for the Grant of Land to the extent of 60 Rs was made on account of his Uncle, who on the 21st March 1854 was the Board of Revenue

- ing for further information - tion to the 4th April 1854 in reply to the contents of the Letter forwarded to the Government of the Uncle's application for the Grant of Land to the extent of 60 Rs per annum

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Colr of Madura

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Bd's No 966.

Order thereon,

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the upper, and lower Ranges without any reference to the great difference of climate, soil, mode of cultivation, classes of products and accessibility to or distance from the Market.

Para 7 @ 34

4. Then follows a very full and valuable Statistical account. In describing the climate there is what appears to me a clerical error. The temperature from December to March, though this period which is termed the cold season is said to resemble the autumn of the South of France and that of the remaining months (which is certainly considerably warmer) to the like climate of the autumn of the South of England. I imagine that what was intended was exactly the reverse.

Para 28

5. In a remark regarding agriculture I do not quite agree. It is said to be a subject but little studied, whereas the fact mentioned in a succeeding Para that manure is carefully preserved; the observations in Para 63 relative to Garden cultivation, the fine crops that are raised and the water Channels brought

Para 31

from

from long distances with an admirable attention to level appear to me to prove, that the Inhabitants well understand the cultivation of such products as are now raised. What Mr Clarke intends is, perhaps, that the Villagers are not aware of the numerous other products to which the soil and climate of the Hills are adapted, and that their implements are rude. My object in this remark is to guard against the supposition that the Hill Ryots are less skilful agriculturists than those of the Plains to whom I consider them by no means inferior.

Para 11

6. With reference to the large Ayacut assigned by Mr Clarke to the Villages, I think it necessary to observe that, I see no reason for the acknowledgement of any right whatever on the part of the Villagers to lands at a distance from their Villages which they have never occupied. They are not like the Todars of the Neilgherry Hills, who though few in number require large tracts, and at one time or another in the year actually occupy them, for the grazing of numerous herds of cattle. On the contrary

they

Poombary with 2 Hamlets.
Vilputty with 1 Do.
Shembaganoor (an) Vellacurray } attached to the Vada-
gherry Zemindary
in the Plains.

Upper Range.

Para 54 10 The Productions taxed therein be
classes as Nunjah including Varipyre-
Totum or Garden.

Poonjah including Poonum ie. Cultivation
on the precipitous sides of the Hills and
worked with a hoe.

Para 5 & 61. 11. The tax on Nunjah cultivated
with Rice is 13-7- per Gooly. The only
Varipyre product raised on the upper range
are Plantains paying 2-2 per Gooly.
The former tax Mr. Clarke considers
too high with reference to the rates at
Ootacamund and the distance from
markets; but he does not propose to
alter it pending a Survey; the latter
he would abolish altogether. I agree
with him. The Plantains are raised in
scattered patches averaging 1/10 of a
Gooly which it is absurd to measure
and tax separately from the
rest of the Field. I recommend that
the

Para 58.

the Rice tax of 13-7 be levied on all
Nunjah land of the Upper Range
without reference to the Produce.

Totum or Garden Para 62 12 Is now taxed uniformly
at 6 Fanams or 1-4-4 per Gooly, except
for Tobacco which is 2-2 per Gooly. With
reference to the rates and advantages of
Paras 70. the Villages on the Nailgherry Hills,
the Sub Collector thinks this too high,
but recommends that till a regular
Survey the present rate may be
retained. I concur in his opinion except
that I would abolish the distinctive
tax on Tobacco. This being little if
at all grown appears to have escaped
Mr Clarke's attention. The information
obtained regarding expenses of
cultivation, prices or rather value in
barter, and profits appear to me not
at all to be depended upon, and until
the communications with the low
country are improved, the profits of
the cultivation of land in the Hills cannot be
estimated for a permanency. From personal
observation I see no reason to suppose that
the tax at present weighs heavily on the Ryots.

13. The proper mode of estimating
the

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the value of the Hill produce, which is saleable on the Plains, I take to be its value on the great Towns on the Plain-minus, the cost of carriage and reasonable profit of a middle man. At present the Ryot does not obtain so much, as he barters his produce to a trader who brings from below, Salt, Betel, Cloths and other necessaries not produced on the Hills; and this trader naturally gets two profits, one on the goods he brings and the other on those he takes. This practice will, I think, long continue, for the Hill cultivators dislike the heat and habits of the Plains and have no bullocks for traffic. Moreover, there is not at present a trading class resident among them. An Assessment, therefore, must allow cost of carriage and profit on articles brought to the Hills as well as on those taken down.

Para: 73

14 I do not find when the rate on Poonjah was fixed at 3 fanams, as stated in the Para: noted in the margin; Mr. Blackburne's Schedule, it will be observed, prescribes 2 F. 4 F. & 17. I beg to support Mr. Clarke's recommendation that the Poonjah Rates for the Upper Range

Para: 74

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Range may, in future, be 2 Fanams per Gooly for land ploughed and 1 Fanam for that worked with a hoe.

Lower Range

Para 81

15. The Lower Range yields the largest Revenue to Government and is known under the designation of the Tsanadigoody and Veeropatchy Hills.

The Curnbah Villages

16.

on the former which belongs to the Tenkaray Talook are Saudigoody, Camanoor, Punnycadoo and Poolatoor.

Para: 82

17. Those of Veeroopatchee included in the Ayempully Talook are Perayoor, Patcheloor Vadakadoo, Camanoor and Vennelly.

Instead of the Grafsy downs

Para: 15

18.

which occupy the greater part of the Upper Range the lower Hills are characterized by the abundance of the arboreous Vegetation by which they are covered and they contain much table land slightly undulating. The

Para 83

elevation is considerably lower and the temperature warmer than those of the Upper Hills, and Mr. Clarke is therefore of opinion that Coffee, Tea, and English Vegetables and fruits might be grown on them with

Para 90

with profit.

19. He considers the cultivation devisable into 2 Classes only, Kunjah and Poonjah including Ponnum (cultivated with a hoe) There is nothing, he says which can strictly be called Totum (Garden) though the Garden tax is levied on some descriptions of Crop.

Plantains

20. The Product most largely raised is plantains which pay a tax of 2-2 per Goolly though grown on Poonjah land. This Mr Clarke proposes to retain

Para 91.

because the mode of cultivation is most distructive to the large Forests and his reasoning appears to me satisfactory.

Turmeric & Ginger

21. Turmeric and Ginger though grown on Poonjah, pay Varyps Teeruvas of 2-2- and 1-4-14, respectively, which

Para 97

I agree with Mr Clarke, should be abrogated, the Canara Poonjah tax only being levied, as these products are deserving of encouragement.

Para 98.

22 The tax on Kunjah land which is 4 or 13-7 per Goolly, does not appear to Mr Clarke at all too high,

for

for the lower range, as owing to the nature of the soil, the produce is superior to that of the Upper Hills, and the markets are nearer.

Garden Products Para 99

23. I would recommend that as these are cultivated on Simple Poonjah land the Garden tax may be entirely abolished on the lower Range.

Poonjah

24 I beg also to support Mr Clarke's recommendation that the Poonjah tax on the range may be fixed uniformly at 3 Fanams per Goolly (1-5 per Candy) on land capable of being ploughed, and 1 Fanam on the Ponnum which is worked with a Mamatee.

Cardamums Para 101.

25 Cardamoms are but little cultivated on these Hills at present, Mr Clarke, nevertheless, thinks the produce ought to be encouraged as a counterpoise to Plantains in the preservation of the "Kannels" (Woods) They require much shade and would therefore be grown under the Trees. In North Canara they are raised in alternate rows with the Areca Palms. With a view to promote the cultivation, he

he proposes to allow parties willing to cultivate to offer for any Kannel on the terms of leaving it free for the first 5 years, and afterwards paying a tax of not less than 5 Fanams and not more than 10 Fanams, according as might be agreed; no regard to the wood being included in the Rent. I beg to support this recommendation, though, except for the sake of preserving the wood, the cultivation of Cardamoms does not appear of importance, the outturn being said to be small and the seed inferior.

26 If the rates which have been suggested be approved of, the taxation on the Pulney Hills will be as follows.

	Upper Range				Lower Range			
	Fs.	Rs	a	p	Fs.	Rs	a	p
Kungah per Garly —								
Poonjah	4	"	13	7	4	"	13	7
Pannum	2	"	6	9	3	"	10	2
Garden	1	"	3	5	1	"	3	5
Plantains	6	1	2	4	"	"	"	"
	"	"	"	"	10	2	2	"

Cardamoms — 5 years free, and afterwards from 5 to 10 Fanams per Garly according to agreement.

27 The following is the Establishment maintained for the Hills, the extent of which Mr Clarke Estimates at 427 Square Miles, and which yield a Revenue of 7000 Rupees per annum.

Villages	Description of Office	Number of Servants	Fixed pay per Month	Average Peag per Month	Total
			Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p
Poombarray —	Curnum	1	7 "		
Vilputty —	Do	1	7 "		
Yettoor —	Do	1	7 "		
Veroopatchy —	Do	1	7 "		
Tandecoody —	Do	1	7 "		35 " "
Poombarray —	Nattamgar	2			
Vilputty —	Do	2			
Yettoor —	Do	1			14 " 6 14 " 6
Veroopatchy —	Do	3			
Tandecoody —	Do	3			

The Nattamgars are paid at the rate of 3 and Tandalgars at 4 per Cent of the Collections of their respective Villages.

Total — 79 . 6

28. The following is proposed by the Sub Collector:

Villages	Office	Present number	additional number proposed	Total
Poombarray	Curnum	1	1	2
Vilputty	Do	1	"	1
Yettoor	Do	1	"	1
Virroopatchee	Do	1	1	2
Tandricoody	Do	1	1	2
For all the 5 Villages	Nattamgars	11	"	11
	Peshcars	"	2	2
Tundels as at present				

29. He recommends that Peshcars be vested with the power of District Moonsiffs

30. The reasons for these suggestions appear to me sound and good and I beg leave to support them. I would suggest that the pay of each Peshcar should be 35 Rupees per mensem and that he should have the authority of a Police Ameen.

31. The Roads form the last subject treated by Mr Clarke. Twelve hundred Rupees have been spent upon the Periacolam Ghaut and an additional sanction for the same to the extent of 3300 Rupees was granted on the 8th October 1853 which is now under

under execution. But when the latter sum has been expended a great deal will still remain to be done. It is highly desirable that, as Mr Clarke suggests interior Roads should be made between the Villages. No idea can be formed by any one on the Plains of the difficulty now experienced in the carriage of loads between them. For the development of the resources of the Hills good Roads are also required down the several passes especially the Davadana Putty Pass.

32 Another point not touched upon by Mr Clarke is the state of education in the Hill Villages. In none which I have visited have I heard of a School Master while in no part of the District would education in my opinion lead to more important results to the welfare of the people.

33. With a view to attain the former of these 2 ends Viz the improvement of the Roads I solicit sanction for the appropriations suggested by Mr Clarke.

1st That the sum of 1319-12-9 now deposited in the Taluk Treasuries of Gyempully and Tenkarray be expended in improving the interior Roads of the Villages wherein it was collected.

2dly That of the sums collected for Quit Rent at the Station of Coday Kanaul being granted

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granted as a descretionary allowance for the improvement of the Roads in that neighbourhood and the Repairs of the Pennacoburn Pass when completed.

34. Mr Clarke's suggestion in Para 106 of his report in regard to the Roads in general, that the profit of Government from these Hills should be foregone for a few years in order that good and sufficient communications may be formed between all the widely scattered Villages and the plains, is not quite distinct. I apprehend that he would recommend that this should be kept in view as a principle, and that Estimates for this purpose should be liberally sanctioned accordingly. In this suggestion I most entirely agree and believe that its adoption will lead to a large eventual gain to the Public Revenue. These Hills containing as Mr Clarke has shewn much very good land and capable of cultivation with Tea, Coffee and other superior products to which the plains are not adapted are now comparatively locked up. Good Roads will afford a stimulus to the present inhabitants and perhaps attract European Settlers with Skill to draw out the resources of the locality and eventually these Hills may in proportion to their extent rival the Nelgherries, instead of being almost unknown except to the Residents of the District.

35. I would advocate a corresponding extent of liberality as regards Village Schools and beg that I may be allowed to submit a separate Report for their Establishment after obtaining the requisite information.

Madura
23d March
1854

Signed R. D. Parker
Collector

Fort St George 22d May 1854

No 50½

To
R. D. Parker Esqr
Collector of Madura.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit the Report on the Onbey Hills as long promised, and which, I am sorry to say, is neither so full and minute as I could wish it to be, but the means of gathering correct and trustworthy information are very limited. The people are ignorant, ill informed, careless and suspicious; the public Village servants are if any thing worse, collusive and Dreck-less. It is very difficult to keep the Lurnums on the Hills - they take every opportunity of running down to the low country and of remaining there, if possible, all the year round, excepting just at the time of the Settlement. They are not therefore properly informed of all the details which it is necessary should be obtained to secure a correct and satisfactory Revenue Settlement of the lands - They can afford no assistance or data respecting the capabilities of the different fields

fields, not are their reports of the prices of the commodities to be much relied on, as I have found by enquiries I have instituted. The climate is not congenial to the Natives of the plain, and the foolish way in which they needlessly expose themselves, render them more susceptible of disease than Europeans. Their work also often calls them to the more jungly and feverish parts, and one severe attack of disease so greatly discourages and disheartens them as almost afterwards to render them unfit for their duties. besides this the large tract of country placed under one Tunnum, unaided and unassisted as he is, over ground very difficult of access, is far too much for one man efficiently to examine and assess. The Hill people are not yet, any of them, sufficiently educated to enable them to, undertake the Office of Tunnum. in some Villages they fill the Office of Satangar efficiently and respectably.

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2 The people look with great dread and suspicion on any meditated change, and as soon as they understand that enquiries are being made with such a view they throw every opposition in the way of the enquirer, and assume pretended ignorance & mislead and misguide. In their Proceedings of 6th March 1845 Para 18, & of 14th August Do. Para 10 the Board of Revenue and Government, have very strongly reprobated any sudden or great changes, and have forcibly pointed out the evils which must result from them. It has been most truly said that "there is one thing which men prize more than any imaginable addition to individual or social felicity, which is their own way." Paradoxical as this may appear, nothing is more certain than that they would, in general, rather be miserable according to their own wishes than prosperous according to another person's. It does not therefore appear expedient or desirable to force in by the authority & influence of Government any sudden

requires for its adequate execution a continuance of inspection and of detail superintendence by no means suited to the present scale of our agency. The Talook Servants have already more work to do than they can efficiently perform. Each Talook in the Sub Division was divided into Six Moottahs. Each Moottah comprising 15 Villages and yielding an average revenue of Rupees 17771 is superintended by a Zilladar. Since the July 1851 the very large extent of the Hills embracing 5 Villages and a yielding a revenue of Rupees 6,953-11-11 has been added to the Talooks of Tyempully and Tankarai, and lately the Moottah of Cullemunday containing 6 Villages and yielding a revenue of Rupees 8,559-8-11 has been further added to the Talook of Tyempully, without any increase to the Establishment. It is obviously therefore impossible that the present

I refer to Tankarai as one of the 4 Talooks and Pallacat-tai as it stood when the Zilladars were first appointed with Cummawady attached to it.-

present Talook Establishment can undertake this delicate & important duty of classifying and assessing the Hill lands in addition to their present super abundant work. It must therefore be delegated to the Cummums, the number of whom, I think, it will be seen from what is written, in some of the Villages at least, is insufficient for the ordinary work required of them; but even were they sufficient for the work, it is evidently their interest to withhold true accounts; those they would produce could not be expected to be authentic. Indeed a reference to Mr. Elliots Report of 28th November 1848 para 35 will shew how little reliance can be placed on such a source of information, and the little experience I have, enable me to state, that they are as deficient in knowledge as they are in integrity.

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5 It appears to me therefore
that until an efficient and correct, and
if pofible, a scientific survey of the Hills can be made, shewing the boundaries of the Villages, the total area of land within those boundaries, the quantity of arable land and of land unfit for cultivation, the classes of the arable land and the assessment to be placed on each field, together with the boundaries of those fields. It would be unadvisable to make any great or radical changes in the rates at present existing, and that we must be content to correct the most prominent evils by such means as are afforded us.—

6 Perhaps, the leading and chief defects of the present system are, 1st that the tax is placed on the produce and not on the lands. The objections to such a course are so obvious and have been so often fully discussed and portrayed that it becomes needless and would be supererogatory in me to advert to them here further than to remark that it is clearly

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a bar to all improvements— and 2dly that the same tax has been imposed on the Upper and Lower Ranges, without any reference to the great difference of climate, soil, mode of cultivation, classes of products, and accessibility to, and distance from, the Market.—

7 Before proceeding therefore to advert to the best means of correcting these defects perhaps I may be allowed to submit some statistical information regarding the Hill Villages in general.—

X 8. These Hills called the Pulney Hills from their relative position to the Village of Pulney and from the greater portion of them being attached to the Talook of that name— Varraglerry Hills from the great river Varraganadi rising in it— and the Pombarai Hills from the Village of that name, the largest and most important on the Hills are situated at and partly close the opening of the Dindigal valley— They run E. & W. between the Talooks of

Sygempally.

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Iyempally and Tenkarai, and are bounded on the E. by the Village of Ahtoor and the Zemindary of Cummewady on the W. by the Travancore Country and Coimbatore, and are situated between 10° & 10° 15' N. Lat. and between 77° 20' & 77° 55' E. Long:-

9. Different tracts of these Hills are also called by distinctive names, from large Villages either on the plains or on the Hills, situated in or near those tracts as the Voopatchy Hills, the Soudigoody, Manaloor, Andatoor, Pandimalai, Cowanje Hills &c.a The area or superficial contents of the Palney Hills, which occupy a very large surface, have been stated by Major Ward in his Survey Report, to measure 798½ Square Miles, of which, at the time the Report was written only a very small portion or 15 Square Miles, was said to be cultivated, the rest being occupied by pasture, woods, water, villages, barren hills, & ravines.-

10 Major Ward ascertained the length to be from E. to W 54 Miles, and

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and the medium breadth to be 15 Miles.- But this Survey included not only the Anjeenaad, now a dependency of Travancore, but also the Hill villages attached to the Zemindaries of Vadagherry, Cummivady and Ayeoody, as well as the Hill slopes attached to the Villages on the plains.-

11. The area of the Anjeenaad Hills is fixed by Major Ward at 231½ Square Miles, of which 3 Square Miles were cultivated.- 80 Square Miles of the Zemindary of Cummevady are reported to be occupied by Hills and Mountains: but allowing about 10 Square Miles for the low ridges and hills unattached to the Palney range and which are found in this Zemindary, it would leave about 70 Square Miles for the portion of the Palney range belonging to Cummevady, and allowing the same area for Hill Villages belonging to Ayeoody and Vadagherry we have an area of about 427 Square Miles remaining to the Circar Villages.- From the Table No.1. given below, it will be seen that the computation of the Curnums only gives an area of Sqm. 56- M. 1- yards 188, of which Sqm. 9- M. 2- yds 46- ft. 2 are stated to be cultivated. The Curnums' measurements of the Aysent of their several Villages are obviously incorrect, but perhaps their measurement of the cultivated parts is more to be depended on.-

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No. II

A Table shewing the Ayacut, Cultivation &c.a of the Hill Villages as given by the Village Curnams.—

No. of Villages	Particulars	Extent: Coolies	Acres	Cawnies	Acres	Square Miles	Furs	yards	Feet	Remarks
Pooloy and its Dependants	Ayacut	10500	"	4666	10 3/4	9	5	29	2	
	Poorumbokee	7698	3	3421	5 1/4	7	"	122	"	
	Cultivation	1470	1/2	652	11 1/4	1	2	173	"	
	Waste	1331	12 1/2	592	10 1/4	1	1	174	2	
	Total	10500	"	4666	10 3/4	9	5	29	2	
Pyllur	Ayacut	6790	"	3017	12 1/2	6	1	193	2	
	Poorumbokee	4430	"	1968	14	4	"	119	1	
	Cultivation	1755	8	780	3 1/2	1	4	197	2	
	Waste	604	8	268	11	"	4	96	2	
	Total	6790	"	3017	12 1/2	6	1	193	2	
Poorumboke and its Dependants	Ayacut	23320	"	10364	7 1/4	21	3	90	2	
	Poorumbokee	15500	"	6666	10 3/4	13	6	47	2	
	Cultivation	2509	8 3/4	1114	8	2	2	92	1	
	Waste	5812	7 1/4	2583	4 1/2	5	2	170	2	
	Total	23320	"	10364	7 1/4	21	3	90	2	
Hullutty	Ayacut	6930	"	3080	"	6	2	200	"	
	Poorumbokee	6000	"	2666	10 3/4	5	4	16	2	
	Cultivation	481	10	214	1	"	3	118	1	
	Waste	448	6	199	4 1/4	"	3	65	"	
	Total	6930	"	3080	"	6	2	200	"	
Sandigoody	Ayacut	13700	"	6088	14 1/4	12	4	114	"	
	Poorumbokee	9832	4 1/2	4147	14 1/4	8	4	122	1	
	Cultivation	3906	3	1736	1 1/4	3	4	125	1	
	Waste	461	8 1/2	204	14 3/4	"	3	86	1	
	Total	13700	"	6088	14 1/4	12	4	114	"	
	Grand Total	61240	"	27217	12 3/4	56	1	188	"	
	Cultivation Total	10120	14 1/4	4497	9	9	2	46	2	

12 It is to be regretted that Major Ward's Survey History does not give the Ayacut of the several Hill Villages and the proportion the Cultivation bore to the Waste in each, as the comparison shewing the increase or decrease of cultivation would now be interesting and valuable.—

13. These Hills are divided by the Hill people into Mel and Kil malai, the high and low, or Eastern and Western ranges. These ranges gradually descend in height and vary considerably in aspect, connection and grouping, they are joined to the Travancore and S. W. Mountains by an isthmus about 8 Miles wide, and are completely isolated on every other side.—

14. The difference in the elevation and climate of these two ranges is not more marked and distinct than are the modes of culture pursued and the articles produced on them.—

15. The higher land of the Western parts almost divested of wood are plains covered with a short coarse grass. Large Spurs ran down in every direction and in

in their turn throw out numerous minor spurs, which are intersected by deep Vallies forming a perfect mountain chaos. The exterior ridges and slopes down to the low country, and the Valleys they form, are covered with dense forest and jungle, more luxuriant and producing various kinds of timber, the nearer they approach the open Country. Many of these trees would be of great value were it not for the great difficulty of transporting them to the plains. The lower Hills are characterized by the abundance of arboreous vegetation and jungle with which they are covered.—

16 At the western extremity the table lands of the Hills are more than 7,000 feet high, they gradually decrease in height as they extend to the E. where they are 4,000. 2,000. 1,500. and even not more than 500 feet above the level of the Sea.

17. These Hills may be divided into 7 grand divisions, being so many portions of their length and breadth principally marked off by large and prominent ridges, or by

by rivers, running across the Hills.—

1 Yettoor or the 8 Villages/sometimes called Mannavanoor from the largest of the 8/ at the extreme West is of a parallelogram form.— The river Ambraivutty, after running a course of a few miles from it's source to Munjaputty where it receives the Sannar, forms the western boundary of these Villages and separates them on that side from Travancore and Coimbatore, to the S. the Zemindaries of Bodinaikanoor and Vadagherry border their limits, and on the N. the Village of Poombary with it's hamlets intervene between them's and Pulney, and on the E. the same Village divides Yettoor from Vilputty.—

2 Poombary, bounded on the N. by Balasamoodrum and the Rettiumbady Zemindary, on the S. by Yettoor and the Vadagherry Zemindary, on the E. by Vilputty and on the W by Travancore and Coimbatore.—

3. Vilputty separated on the W from Poombary by the high and remarked ridge which forms the Tennavaray peak & on the N. from Cowanjee and other Hill Villages belonging to the Aycoody Zemindary, by the no less remarkable ridge which runs

runs along the base of the highest point on these Hills known as Perumaul malai. The ridge continues on the east side of Perumaul malai and separates Vilputty from Taudigoody on the S. Vil=putty is bounded by the Hill Villages appertaining to the Vadygherry Zemin=dary and the exterior ridge of the Hills.—

4. Cowanjee embedded in high rocks is bounded on the N. & W. by the Villages of Balasamoodrum and Aycoody, on the E. by Packaloor and Taudigoody, and on the S. by the Village of Taudigoody.—

5 The Pareyoor Hills are very extensive, covering an area of about 90 Square Miles and are in the form of an isosceles triangle, decreasing to a point on the N. side.— They are bounded on the S. by the Taudigoody Hills, on the E. by the Andaloor Hills and by the Pachamalai range, on the N. and W. by the Villages of Viripatchy

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on the plains and the Village of Cowanjee.—

6. Pandimalay, Andaloor and Manaloor hills form the E. boundary of the Hills, and are bounded on the N. by Pulkanooth and Cunniwady, on the E by Durmattooputty and Aktoor, on the S. by Nursingapooram and Ayempolliem, and on the W. by Tandigoady and Pachaloor.—

7. The Tandigoady Hills are bounded on the S by Davadana= =putty, on the W by the river Am= =bary and Permaul Malai, on the N. by Pareyoor, and on the E. by Manaloor.—

18. Of these divisions the 4th. and 6th. belong to the Zemindaries of Ay= =coody and Cunnewady, and the 1st. 2d. and 3d. form the Upper Range, and the 5th. and 7th. the Lower Range of the Hills.—

19. In my future remarks I in= =tend to confine myself solely to the Government

Government Hills.—

Climate.—

20. Three circumstances natu= =rally affect the climate of the Hills, Viz.t. 1st. Their elevation above the level of the Sea. 2d. their position near the line of demarkation of the two Monsoons— 3d. their isolated position.—

21. The year is divided into two seasons— the cold season, similar to the Autumn of the South of France, may be said to set in from December and terminate in March, whilst the Monsoon season, resembling a

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a mild autumn in the South of England, occupies the remaining Months.—

22. With reference to the climate of the Higher Hills, in particular, the following, as far as I am able to learn, may be considered a pretty fair estimate.—

23. January is uniformly fair, clear and dry. The nights are very cold and attended with frost in the valleys. The same remarks will apply to February, except that the frost is stronger, and in March it disappears, when the weather

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weather becomes milder, there are also a few heavy showers. Towards the close of April the wind begins to vary from the N.E. and finally settles in S.W. the air is mild and balmy. May is the warmest month, but the heat is often relieved by the fall of rain in torrents, intermingled with hail, ushering in the S.W. monsoon which occurs in the early part of June, and continues with greater or less, constancy throughout July and August, when the weather on the lower hills, is comparatively dry and fine. September and October are uncertain months depending on the state of the S.W. monsoon, which if begun early and exhausted renders the weather fine, warm and pleasand, but if deficient in previous rain, a good deal of mist and drizzle generally prevails. Towards the end of September the wind again begins to shift round to the North, when the weather becomes suddenly cold. Mists and fogs are common throughout the year. Some gales of wind occur once or twice a year, generally about the

the changes of season, but thunder and storms are of rare occurrence. The changes of temperature are sudden, but the higher hills are by no means unhealthy. The inhabitants are decidedly a healthy and robust people. The most unhealthy season is reckoned to be January and February and part of March, when colds and coughs, and occasional fevers from exposure are met with. Small pox of a fatal character has of late years, carried off several. The people resist the introduction of Vaccination, but through my Dresser I had a few vaccinated last year, and hope by degrees to overcome the opposition of the people. Cholera attended with great mortality visited the higher range some years back.

24 Taudigoody is situated about 18 miles distant from Tilputty and about 26 from Poombary on the Eastward and is inferior in elevation, being about, I should think, 5,600 feet

feet above the level of the sea. The climate is much milder, the air is moister and the nights less cold. In June, July, and August, the weather is clear, bright and fair, while on the upper hills there is much drizzle or rain. This difference arises from the former place being less subject to the influence of the S. W. Monsoon. Less rain I believe falls at this place and it is often dry here when it rains to the West.

25 The Viraputchy Villages are situated on a plateau between Taudigoody, and the plains. Its elevation varies; the higher Villages, I should think, being from about 5,000 to 2,500 feet above the Sea; its temperature is higher than on the West range and Taudigoody. From March to July is the most unhealthy time on the lower ranges. The most common deseases are

Fever

Fever both of the remittent and in-
=termittent types; the latter is the
most frequently met with, enlarge-
=ment of the spleen is common, and
dropsy, small pox and Cholera
have also been known here.

26. The rocks in the Hills are
gneiss, over which is generally
found a stratum of clay, white
and yellow of different tints, the
whole covered with a coat of ve-
=getable mould. On the tops
and slopes of the Hills, the soil is
seldom found more than a foot or
two in thickness, but in the valleys it
sinks to a greater depth, and to-
=wards the rivers and creeks a rich
alluvial soil is found, containing
a large proportion of siliceous
sand mixed with mica. In some parts
a ferruginous and calcareous Kunkur
prevails, but the former predominates.
They are in some places on the surface, whilst
in others some feet below the black earth.

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27 The whole of the elevated
lands of the west division is uncul-
=tivated. In the Valleys near the
Villages, cultivation is more extended,
there the red soil is intersected
by rivulets and rivers and in some
places by large morasses. The e-
Eastern parts are more productive
than the western, having a consi-
=derably larger portion of fine rich
loam and being less exposed.

Agriculture

28. Agriculture is a sub-
=ject but little studied. The soil
in many parts seems capable of
yielding with care and culture, all
that can be expected in a moist
and temperate climate. The chief
products of the higher range are
rice, garlic, mustard, wheat, barley,
vendiam, or fenugreek, Vasumbo or the
sweetflag root, tenay or the Indian
panicle and a few plantains.

29. Those of the lower Hills are
turmeric, ginger, plantains, Vendiam,

Mustard

Mustard, Caster Oil seeds and also several sorts of dry grains as Shawny, Varagoo, tenay, ragee, and Cumbo. Among the trees are found the wild Cinnamon, Jack, orange, lime, and many other unknown trees, besides the pepper, wild nutmeg, rattan, mangoes, citrons, Cotampallem and different kinds of berries. Almost every European fruit and vegetable might be advantageously cultivated, as well as the poppy, the Coffee and the tea especially on the lower hills. The few English products that have been introduced at the Kodiekanel Settlement have answered well, especially the potatoe. A few Coffee trees have been planted at Pandigoody and seem to promise well.

Implements of Agriculture.

30 They are much the same as on the plains. The plough, harrow, mamutee, and hatchet are precisely as in, and a small sickle is used in reaping.

31 Manure is carefully preserved and

and used in the Garden and Nunjah cultivation on the coffee ranges in a liquid form. On the lower hills the Cattle and Sheep are as on the plains, penned in different parts of the field, on which it is proposed to cultivate. In the plantain gardens wood ashes are used.

32 The Botanical productions of these Hills are but little known and the subject is too extensive to admit of detail here. The bamboo is met with in great profusion up to a certain height. The teak and the bastard teak are also found in great quantities, but their value as well as that of many other magnificent timber trees is much lessened from the difficulty and expense of transporting them to the plains.

33 The Koonooveers (apparently a corruption of Koondooveers) as the word imports "Mountaineers" are the most numerous class on the Hills. Their origin and

nature

native country are not known. They say they are Vellalers from Kongcam in Coimbatore, but can adduce nothing to support this tradition. Their customs differ from the Vellalers of the plains, and those of the lower range differ much and have no connexion with those on the higher range. The Poliars are apparently the aborigines, they are found in great numbers in Poobatoor and on the Veropatchy and Manatoor hills. They were upto the abolition of the rents, the predial slaves of the Koomoovers, and except on special ceremonial days or on the outbreak of some fatal disease when their masters adore and worship them under the idea that they have dealings with and are able to propitiate the evil spirits, were much oppressed and ill treated. The other classes are Vadogurs, Maravers, Carpenters, and Tellinga Chetties and a few Parriahs These classes are emigrants from the plains, and the Chetties who are

are found in great number on the Lower Hills are the traders of those parts.

34. The people of whatever class or description all live in thatched houses, the walls being wattle and dab. The houses in the Villages on the upper range are more comfortable and costly than those on the lower hills. The former Villages are surrounded with walls of stone, and at each end is a gateway leading by a paved way to the Village Choultry. The cattle stables always adjoin the houses and are large and commodious; but this custom of the cattle living in their Villages tends to make them, especially in the wet season, exceedingly filthy and I fear also unhealthy. The reason assigned for this practice is the fear of wild beasts. On the lower Hills the Villages are walled in as on the upper hills, and each family

family possesses a house in the Vil-
:lage, but for the greater part of
the year, the different members of
it live on the farmsteads, where
the cattle are usually penned
in the open air throughout the
year. These farmsteads are
near the cultivation, some times
4 or 5 miles from the Village. A
congregation of these farm- houses
compases a putty or hamlet: The
Hill people are moderate, but
at the same time not very particu
:lar in their eating, there is scarce
:ly any species of animal that the
poorer classes will not eat, not
excepting rats, mice and monkeys,
and it matters not whether the animal
has died a natural death or been killed
The higher classes are more scrupulous,
they will not eat the flesh of animals
which have died nor of the wild Hog.
Rice, barley and wheat are the sta:
:ple articles of food: The favorite drink
of the Poliars is the toddy of the Sago palm,
which grows in great profusion on the
Lowerpange. They also eat the pith of this tree ground into
powder.

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powder, with honey, Jack fruit and wild
roots. The toddy is very sour and in:
:toxicating. The Koonnoovurs of the Lower
Hills are also much given to strong drink,
in addition to Toddy they extract a kin
spiritaous liquor from the rahgy. The
people of the Higher range are more
temperate, their opportunities of get:
:ting intoxicating liquor are not great,
as they are obliged to go down to the
plains to procure it.-

35. Of the early History of the
Hills, I have not been able to learn any
thing satisfactory and conclusive.
From an early Report of Mr. Hurdis,
it appears to have been the intention
of Government that all the Hills
should be assumed, placed under
the management of the Collector
and assessed, but I have not been
able to ascertain when or why this
intention was abandoned. It would
further seem that in 1800 individual
Puttahs were distributed to the Vil:
:lages by Mr. Hurdis, but the basis
on which his assessment was made
cannot be discovered for want of
accounts.

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35 It appears that at a very early date, the Hills were rented first to the Hill people, and subsequently to any parties willing to bid for them, but owing to the complaints of the Hill people of the tyranny exercised towards them by the renters on the plains in 1833, it was decided that the rents should not be given again to persons inhabiting the low country.

37 As far back as October 18th 1832 / Vide Board's Proceedings of that date paras 23 & 24 / it was resolved by the Board of Revenue to yield compliance with the wishes of the Hill Ryots for an individual settlement and orders were accordingly issued These orders were annually repeated and were occasioned by the continued representations of the people of the tyranny and exactions of the renters. In 1837 the first step towards the accomplishment of the long desired object was taken, and one Curnum was appointed to each Village to ascertain the

the resources of the Village, the mode of taxation, the behaviour of the renters and the true condition of the people.

38 In 1842, 11th June, the Acting Sub Collector Mr. A.M. Owen submitted a short Report to Mr. Blackburn in a demi-official form on the Tadigoody Hills, and with it forwarded an abstract of the accounts furnished by the Curnum of that Village and a few depositions from the inhabitants of the Tadegoody

39. These accounts Mr. Elliot in his Report on the Sub Division for fusly 1254 para 35 stigmatizes as false and the grounds on which he arrived at this conclusion are fully set forth in the same para. I would beg to refer you to this Report as well as to his Reports for fuslies 1252 and 1253, to which I am indebted for the greater part of the information stated in foregoing paras 35 &c.

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40 In 1842, in consequence of the representations made by Mr Elliot in his settlement Report of the 2d August of that year, Mr Blackburne addressed a letter under date the 24th of August to the Board of Revenue, declaring it to be his intention to abandon the system of Rentals and to introduce a Ryotwary settlement, which met with the approval of Government under date the 20th December following.

41 In the mean time Mr Elliott prepared a Hookoomnamah which he submitted on the 21st September to Mr Blackburne, who signified his approval of it under date the 29th September and directed the lands to be brought under a wary and a moderate tax to be placed on the lands and collected.

42. In his Hookoomnamah Mr Elliott requires the Cur-nams to measure only the cultivated lands and submit every

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five days a daily account shewing the division of the land into small fields, the boundaries of each field, the produce of each field, or for what sort of cultivation it was reserved, the alleged maniems, and the nature of the tax each Ryot was supposed to have paid to the Renters. Mr Elliott at the same time fixed certain rates on the lands, which were afterwards abandoned or modified - and the tax was eventually placed on the grain, according to the scale shewn in the following Table.

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A Table shewing the rates of Tax on different kinds of Products raised at the Villages.

Description of Land	Species of Produce	Rate of tax per Cooly in Fanams	Rate of tax per Cooly in Rs. a. p	Remarks
Nunjah	Paddy	4	. 13 7	
Vanpier	Plantains, Turmeric, Tobacco	10	2 2.	
	Ginger	6	1 4 4	
Bagayet	Garlic, Fine wheat, Coarse wheat, Tenay, Barley, sweet flag, Dillier Vendiem, Mustard, Mochacottai, Sainay, Potatoes	6	1 4 4	When any of the low taxed product is grown in Bagayet such Cultivation is taxed with 6 fanams.-
Poonjah	Dillor Vendiem	6	1 4 4	
	Coarse wheat	4	. 13 7	
	Mustard	3	. 10 2	
	Raghy	2	. 6 10	
Poonam	Raghy	1	. 3 5	

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These rates Mr. Elliot reported, were with the exception of that on plantains, fixed in accordance with the request of the people, (see para 42 Settlement Report for fusly 1254) and in a Table of which the subjoined is a Copy, he shows that the rates after deducting the Ryots share, generally left the people a profit.

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No. III

Statement shewing the method adopted in Fusly 1253 by Mr Elliot in fixing the assessment upon Land

Description of Grain &c.a	Present annual tax on each Goontah of Land	Content of Land	Average tax in Total	each Goontah in Fusly 1251 &c.a Produce	Deduct sundry exc. penses at 10 per cent	Remainder of produce containing Ryots and Circar's Share
			Wt.	Measure	Wt.	Measure
	1	2	3	4	5	6 7 8
	Cfs	as Goonts	as Tolam	Collam	mds Wt.	Tolam Collam mds Wt. Tolam Collam mds Wt.
Fenugreek						
Mustard	"	"	9 " 69	"	"	" " 38 " " "
Turmeric	"	"	9 " 38	"	"	" " 138 " " "
Ginger	10	"	7 " 138	"	"	" " 67 " " "
Paddy	6	"	3 8 67	"	"	" " 64 6 3
Small Millet	4	"	24 " "	72	"	" 7 5 2 "
Ragy or Natchny	2	"	105 " "	262	6	" " " 262 6 "
Plantain	2	"	106 8 "	249	3	" " " 249 3 "
Pole Wheat	10	"	20 " 202	"	"	20 " " 182 " "
Shemba Wheat	4	"	27 " "	64	"	" 5 4 4 " 48 7 1
	6	"	22 " "	43	8	3 " 4 4 2 " 39 4 1

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Stat situated on the Tenkarai and Pulney Hills.

Des	Ryots share Percentage	Ryots share Measure	Circars share	Measure	Nuruck for each Collam	Total price at the season of the harvest on the Circars share	Average tax thereon on each Goontah of land cultivated	Fair rent on one crop but higher than that fixed as the ordinary tax.
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		Colam Colr		Colam Colr		C. m m C Rs a P	C Rs a P	C Rs a P
Finig	2 in 3	46 . .		23 . .	10	18 6 .	1 10 7 or 7	13
Muste	2 in 3	215 5/16 . .		12 11/16 . .	10	8 3 .	14 3 or 4	3
Turmer	4 in 5	103 1/2 . .		34 1/2 . .	8	17 4 .	2 7 6 or 12	15
Ginger	2 in 3	44 5/8 . .		22 3/8 . .	4	5 9 6	1 9 7 or 7	8
Paddy	50	32 3 1/2		32 3 1/2	10	20 6 3 .	13 7 or 4 .	
Smale	2 in 3	175 . .		87 6 .	10	52 11 .	8 4 or 2 7/4	
Ragky	Do	166 6 .		83 1 .	10	57 14 10 .	7 10 or 2 5	
Plant	Do	121 . .		61 . .	12	45 12 .	2 4 6 or 10 3/4	
Pate N	50	2433 .		2433	1 8	37 7 3	1 6 2 or 5	15
Shem	50	198 .		1981	2	39 3 3 .	1 12 6 or 8 6/4	

Bagayet is generally considered as double Crop.

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Kunjah on the Hills as single Crop Poonjah in some places single in some double Crop

60 Do 12 Do in Colam

The tax has been fixed on the single Crop only taking the rate in the more valuable of the 2 Kinds of produce

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This new settlement was carried into effect in fasly 1252.

43. In their Proceedings of the 6th March 1845 reviewing the settlement Reports of fasslies 1252 and 1253, the Board of Revenue expressed their regret that this new settlement had been put into force without being previously submitted for their approval, and considered it would have been better not at once have introduced so radical a change, but to have collected from the ryots their usual taxes until they had became somewhat habituated to transacting business immediately with the Officers of Government.

44. During the rents no system appears to have been followed - the caprice, power and ability of the renter regulated and limited his demands. The taxes were assessed either on the plough, the mametee, the hatchet or on the cultivation, as it pleased the renter. If he was powerful and unscrupulous he

he collected largely in excess of the amount he paid to the Government. He in addition enjoyed his own land free of all rent. Besides this, contributions were levied from the people for the support of the Devastanam and for the other Village expenses. These contributions were some times in money and sometimes in labor on certain portions of land, the produce of which was set apart for the object in view, but more generally were collected in produce, the amount needed being apportioned by the Villagers in a body or by delegates chosen on the several inhabitants according

according to their power to pay on the extent of Land cultivated by him.-

45. If the renter was moderate in his demands he was satisfied with enjoying his own Lands free and allowing the same privilege to his immediate relatives and Coparceners, the amount of the rent being divided among the other cultivating ryots according to their ability to pay. It would be difficult therefore to state with any thing like an approach to correctness the rates collected from the Ryots during the rentals. The tax on a plough varied from 3 to 7 and 9 Rupees, that on the head from 2 to 3 Rupees. A further tax was levied on the wild produce of the jungle at so much a head for every man. The uncertainty of the tax varying according to the amount of the rent paid, and to the pleasure of the renter, with the power it vested in him of shewing favor to some and of exacting unfairly from others, must have rendered this system extremely odious and vexatious to the generality of the ryots and doubtless led to the repeated solicitations for a modification.-

46. The following Table shews the annual amount of the rentals as far as can be ascertained and the amounts of the annual assessment collected since the introduction of the Ryotwar rates.-

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The Revenue of the 5 Hill Villages attached to the Sub Division of Madura Province from Fusly 1213 to 1261

Fusly	The amount of Beriz for the 5 villages of Poonary, Volpathy, Yettoor, Vempolaty and Tandgoody	Deductions on account of Devastanum and Sibbundy	Balance	Amount of Collection	Balance due	Remarks
	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p	
1213	3,118 2 11	- - -	3,118 2 11	3,118 2 11	- - -	
1214	3627 4 4	- - -	3,627 4 4	3627 4 4	- - -	
1215	4,793 15 -	- - -	4,793 15 -	4,793 15 -	- - -	
1216	4,783 5 4	- - -	4,783 5 4	4,783 5 4	- - -	
1217	4,517 15 5	- - -	4,517 15 5	4,517 15 5	- - -	
1218	5537 3 5	- - -	5537 3 5	5537 3 5	- - -	
1219	4,412 1 11	- - -	4,412 1 11	4,412 1 11	- - -	
1220	2,990 14 7	- - -	2,990 14 7	2,990 14 7	- - -	
1221	3,754 8 8	- - -	3,754 8 8	3,754 8 8	- - -	
1222	4,560 10 8	- - -	4,560 10 8	4,560 10 8	- - -	
1223	3,606 - 11	- - -	3,606 - 11	3,606 - 11	- - -	
1224	3,733 5 4	- - -	3,733 5 4	3,733 5 4	- - -	
1225	4,942 6 9	- - -	4,942 6 9	4,942 6 9	- - -	
1226	5,133 5 4	- - -	5,133 5 4	5,133 5 4	- - -	
1227	4,910 9 7	- - -	4,910 9 7	4,910 9 7	- - -	
1228	4,910 9 7	- - -	4,910 9 7	4,910 9 7	- - -	
1229	4,277 6 8	- - -	4,277 6 8	4,277 6 8	- - -	
1230	4,277 6 8	- - -	4,277 6 8	4,277 6 8	- - -	
1231	4,277 6 9	- - -	4,277 6 9	4,277 6 9	- - -	

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Statement showing the amount of Peishcush payable from the Estate of Kattaya Tevar, under the Decree of Court for the year 1854 and the amount of Peishcush paid by him from the 1st January to the 31st December 1854 and the balance remaining unpaid on the 31st December 1854.

Amount of Peishcush payable for the year 1854 Rupees 1,00,000

Amount paid by the Rajah from 1st January to 31st December 1854 Rupees 1,00,000

Balance remaining unpaid on the 31st December 1854 Rupees -

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(Signed) C. Trevelyan

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Fusly	The amount of Beriz for the 5 villages of Poomalay, Velpatty, Vellatoor, Vempolaty	Deductions on account of Devastanum and Sibbundy	Balance	Amount of Collection	Balance due	Remarks

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1232	5,115 4 10	- - -	5,115 4 10	5,115 4 10	- - -	
1233	5,115 4 10	- - -	5,115 4 10	5,115 4 10	- - -	
1234	5,115 4 10	- - -	5,115 4 10	5,115 4 10	- - -	
1235	5,115 4 10	- - -	5,115 4 10	5,115 4 10	- - -	
1236	5,115 4 10	- - -	5,115 4 10	5,115 4 10	- - -	
1237	4,910 9 8	- - -	4,910 9 8	4,910 9 8	- - -	
1238	4,910 9 8	- - -	4,910 9 8	4,910 9 8	- - -	
1239	4,910 9 8	- - -	4,910 9 8	4,910 9 8	- - -	
1240	4,910 9 8	- - -	4,910 9 8	4,910 9 8	- - -	
1241	4,910 9 8	- - -	4,910 9 8	4,910 9 8	- - -	
1242	1,689 8 3	- - -	1,689 8 3	1,689 8 3	- - -	
1243	2,836 5 10	- - -	2,836 5 10	2,836 5 10	- - -	
1244	3,231 3 4	- - -	3,231 3 4	3,231 3 4	- - -	
1245	3,231 3 4	- - -	3,231 3 4	3,231 3 4	- - -	
1246	3,231 3 4	- - -	3,231 3 4	3,231 3 4	- - -	
1247	3,283 12 -	- - -	3,283 12 -	3,283 12 -	- - -	
1248	3,283 12 -	- - -	3,283 12 -	3,283 12 -	- - -	
1249	3,283 12 -	- - -	3,283 12 -	3,283 12 -	- - -	
1250	3,378 - -	- - -	3,378 - -	3,378 - -	- - -	
1251	3,398 - -	- - -	3,398 - -	3,398 - -	- - -	

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Statement of the Revenue of the 5 Hill Villages attached to the Sub Division of Madura Province from Fusly 1213 to 1261

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Some variation from the Statement of Taxes & number the Poor have been by him annexed of Lands, but to Charge, led to Collections, have been added to the Statement shewing the Increase or Decrease on the Demand of each Village, since it was first assessed, the Original Cowle and Pottahs

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The Revenue of the 5 Hills Villages attached to the Sub Division of Madura Province from Fasly 1213 to 1261.

Fasly	Amount of Collection	Balance due	Remarks
	The amount of Dedi-ction on account of Bandy for the Head Assistant Village Establishment and Sibbendy Lands, Compensation Allowance	Balance	
1213	5376 7 3	177 6 4	Government have sanc-tioned under date 13th January 1846 the remission of these balances to Vencatachaya-
1214	5523 9 11	353 10 5	
1215	5253 13 "	" " "	
1216	5556 . 7	" " "	
1217	5973 3 5	" " "	
1218	6943 1 9	" " "	
1219	6816 14 10	" " "	
1220	6979 10 1	" " "	
1221	6936 9 3	" " "	
1222	6953 14 11	" " "	

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1212	5971 14 2	418 . 7	5553 13 7			
1252	6611 . 8	799 12 4	5877 4 4			
1253	6006 10 4	752 13 4	5253 13 .			
1254	6331 10 .	775 9 5	5556 . 7			
1255	6780 3 1	806 15 8	5973 3 5			
1256	7823 1 7	879 15 10	6943 1 9			
1257	7687 6 9	870 7 11	6816 14 10			
1258	7862 5 10	882 11 9	6979 10 1			
1259	7816 1 2	879 7 11	6936 9 3			
1260	7446 5 6	* 493 6 7	6953 14 11			
1261	7447					

* The deductions on account of Shanstanum being discontinued, causes this decrease.-

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It will be seen from this statement that there has been a gradual increase since the new system was introduced, and that the Government interests at least have not suffered from the change.-

47 Although I am unable from want of a correct scale of the rates paid to the Renter and the extent of Land for which those rates were paid, to draw a comparison between the amount of taxes levied from each ryot under the for-mer system and that paid by him now for any Standard quantity of land. I am notwithstanding led to believe, from the information I have been able to collect, that his condition now is far superior to what it was, and the cultivators appear well satisfied with the change.-

48 I have endeavoured to frame a comparative statement shewing the rates of assessment prevalent on the Neilgherry hills, the Sheroys, the Bodi--naickenor hills, Seroomalays and Pulney Hill Villages.-

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A Comparative Statement shewing the rates of Tax prevalent on the Neilgherry Shevaroy and other Hills

Neilgherry hills Coimbatore District.

Rate of Tax paid in the Burgher Villages

Shevaroy Hills Salem District.

Rate of Tax paid in cantonment of Ootacamund.

Not yet permanently settled

Particulars	Sort	Canteroy fanams per Bullah	Rate in Rs per Bullah	Rate in Rupees per Cawney	Rate in Rs per Dindigul Cooly.	Rate in Rs per Bullah	Rate in Rs per Cawny	Rate in Rs per Dindigul Cooly.	Rate in Rs per acre	Rate in Rs per Cawney	Rate in Rs per Cooly	Rate in Rs per Cooly
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
			Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p	a p
	1	12	3 8 5	1 3 6	- 8 8	7 - 10	2 7 -	1 1 4	1 - -	1 5 2	- 9 5		
	2	10	2 15 -	1 - 3	- 7 3	4 4 4	1 11 -	- 12 1	- - -	- - -	- - -	2 2 -	
Soonjah calculation.	3	9	2 10 3	- 14 8	- 6 6	3 15 4	1 5 11	- 9 9	- - -	- - -	- - -	1 4 4	
	4	8	2 5 7	- 13 -	- 5 9	2 15 -	1 - 3	- 7 2	- - -	- - -	- - -	13 7	
	5	7	2 - 11	- 11 4	- 5 -	2 - 8	- 11 4	- 5 -	- - -	- - -	- - -		
	6	6	1 12 2	- 9 9	- 4 4	1 12 2	- 9 9	- 4 4	- - -	- - -	- - -	10 2	
	7	5	1 7 6	- 8 -	- 3 6	1 7 6	- 8 -	- 3 6	- - -	- - -	- - -		
	8	4	1 2 9	- 4 8	- 2 11	1 2 9	- 4 8	- 2 11	- - -	- - -	- - -	6 9	
Deduct Rent: Land occupied by building	9	"	"	"	"							3 5	
Do Do by Compound	10	"	"	"	"								
Do lying at a distance from Villages	11	"	"	"	"								
Grass Tax	12	"	"	"	"								
							- - -	5 4 -	- - -	- - -	- - -		
							- - -	3 8 -	- - -	- - -	- - -		
							- - -	2 15 -	- - -	- - -	- - -		
							- - -	4 8 -	- - -	- - -	- - -		

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Poombarai &c. Hills.

Particulars	Rate in Cully fanams per Cooly	Rate in Rupees per Cawney	Rate in Rupees per Cooly	Rate in Cully fanams per Cooly	Rate in Rs per Cawney	Products	Rate in Rs per Cooly	Rate in Cully fanams	Products	Rate in Cully fanams per Cooly	Rate in Rs per Cawney	Rate in Rs per Cooly
1	13	14		16	17	18	19		20	21	22	23
Poonjah cultivation	Cully fanams 10 fanams on Plantain & Chilly } 4 12 4 — 3½ fanams on Doodkal Poonjah } 1 10 8 — Jack, Lime, Orange and Arecanut trees are rented —	Rs a p	2 2 —	Rs a p	Cully fanams Plantain 5 — Poonjah —	Rs a p 2 6 2 — 15 3	Rs a p 1 1 — — 6 9	Cully fanams — Plantains & fanam per fruit bearing tree:- Two fanams on each hatchet	Plantains &c.	6 m 10	Rs a p 4 12 4	Rs a p 2 2 —
					After the Cardamum produce in 1/16 of it is given to the Zemindar and the rest sold him at 7 Rs which he vends in market at 18 Rs per Tolam. —		is gathered as a royalty a Tolam from 13 to	Two fanams per head for the right to gather wild products	Wheat &c. (Tolam)	6	2 13 10	1 4 4
									Nunjah	4	1 14 6	— 13 7
									Poonjah	3	1 6 10	— 10 2
									Cottu-Cadoo	2 —	15 3	— 6 9
										— —	7 8	— 3 5

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This Statement shews not only that the Vanpyre or Superior kinds of products on the Pulneys pay a higher tax than the 1st class Lands at Ootacamund, where the rates are double those in the Burgher Villages, but that our garden Lands are also more highly assessed. Further that the Nunjay on the Pulneys which is the most largely cultivated product on the upper hills pays a higher tax than the 2nd class Lands at Ootacamund, and that our commonest products pay a higher rate than the 3rd class Lands at that place.

49 New and higher rates were imposed on the land in the Cantonment of Ootacamund than those obtaining in the Burgher Villages became the Land of that Cantonment was stated to be "of the richest description and capable when well worked "of producing as rich crops as are to be seen "in any part of the world and because "a market was at hand for the producer"

50. The assessment for all Lands situated at a certain distance from the

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Cantonment was regulated by the standard which obtains in the nearest Burgher Villages. In the Burgher Villages it is shewn that there are 8 classes graduating from Rupees 3-8-5 per Bullah or Rupees 1-2-8 per Cawney to Rupees 1-2-9 per Bullah or Rupees --4-8 per Cawney--

51. Considering that there is no market near our Villages, that the cultivation is usually far from the Village and that all the produce has to be transported over very bad roads to the low country, it is clear that the rates of assessment prevailing on these Hills must be looked on as high, since our Poonjai rate is higher than that of the Burgher Village and our Poonum rate higher than their 3rd class rate, and the Soil on which the Poonjai products are grown on the Pulneys cannot be considered by any means as of the richest description.

52 Proceeding now to speak more particularly of each Village, I propose to confine myself in the first instance exclusively to the Village on the higher

higher range and then to refer to the Vil-
-lages on the lower range.-

The most elevated native village or rather hamlet, for it is a hamlet be-
-longing to the attached Zemindary of Vadagherry, is Shembaganoor (I do not pro-
-pose to allude here to the English set-
-tlement of Kodicanal) Shembaganoor is a little less than 6,000 feet above the le-
-vel of the Sea. It contains only 5 houses and the amount of cultivation is very small, consisting of Paddy, wheat, garlic, vendicaies and potatoes and on the slopes of the Hills near the plains the ryots sometimes cultivate Jenay, Varagoo, and plantains. There are two other hamlets of Vadaghery on the sides of the Hills, Viz^t, Vellacavy and Adi-
-karee, both very small, and also one ra-
-ther larger attached to the Devastanam Village of Paupcomputty called Nelloolupet.

53 The purely Hill Villages on the upper range are 3, Yettoor a con-
-gerie of 6 Villages (originally 8 as the name implies) Poomalay with 4 hamlets and

and Vilpuddy with one.-

54. As I have mentioned above the mode of culture and the pro-ducts of the higher hills differ materially from those of the Lower

The various productions from which the revenues are derived on the upper hills may be classed un-
-der the 3 heads of Nanjah includ-
-ing Vanpyre, Totam and Punjah, which also includes the Poonam cultiv-
-ation or the coarse produce raised on the sloping and rocky sides of the Hills, which are work-
-ed by a hoe

55 Nanjah is the most ex-
-tensively cultivated, there being 2¼ 21 9/32 Candies cultivated in 1261, giving a revenue of Rupees 2,054-15-6.

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The Nunjai is situated several miles from the Villages in deep valleys, the slopes of which have been with much labor, cut out into terraced beds to which the water is conveyed by canals from dams across the Hill streams, which are most ingeniously constructed at the summit of cataracts, of which these mountains display a variety on every side- The canals are carried along almost perpendicular precipices and in some parts fall from a consi-derable height.-

56- The Rice Lands yield only one crop in the year- They are sown in October, November and December after the setting in of the rains and the grain is ripe in June, July and Aug-gust- The young shoots are usually transplanted 3 months after the seed is sown- The grain is of a very coarse kind and

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and is worthless, as an article of traffic- It is usually returned for home consumption- There is certainly a great diversity in the productive powers of the land, but as far as I can learn this arises chiefly from the difference of culture, some from being more richly manured and better weeded and from the supply of water.-

In some paddy fields,
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a few plantains are sometimes grown generally about 20 or 30 trees- The fruit is worth nothing and is used for do-mestic and Culinary purposes.- The following Table will shew the ex-tent of Plantains grown since the close of the Rentals.-

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Fusly	Proembaray				Yettoor				Vilpatty				Total			
	Extent of Land		Amount of Tax		Extent of Land		Amount of Tax		Extent of Lands		Amount of Tax		Extent of Land		Amount of Tax	
	Coolies	as	Rs	a p	Coolies	as	Rs	a p	Coolies	as	Rs	a p	Coolies	as	Rs	a p
1252	15	7 1/4	32	13 7	4	3 1/2	8	15 2	-	-	-	- -	19	10 3/4	41	12 9
1253	15	8	32	13 8	4	8	9	8 2	-	-	-	7 -	20	-	42	5 10
1254	15	3 1/2	32	4 10	4	9	9	10 9	-	-	-	- -	19	12 1/2	41	15 7
1255	9	2	19	5 6	4	12 1/4	10	1 8	-	5	-	10 7	14	3 1/4	30	1 9
1256	9	2	19	5 8	4	12 1/4	10	1 8	-	5	-	10 7	14	3 1/4	30	1 11
1257	11	7	24	4 1	4	12 1/4	10	1 8	-	5	-	10 7	16	8 1/4	35	- 4
1258	11	7	24	4 1	4	12 1/4	10	1 8	-	5	-	10 7	16	9	35	2 -
1259	11	6	24	4 1	4	13	10	3 4	-	5	-	10 7	16	8	35	2 -
1260	11	5 1/2	24	1 7	4	13	10	3 4	-	5	-	10 7	16	8	35	2 -
1261	9	14 3/4	21	- 9	7	1/2	14	14 8	2	4	4	12 3	20	10	43	12 6
					5	2 3/4	10	15 8	2	6	5	- 5	17	7 1/2	37	- 10
Total	119	15	254	9 10	49	6 1/2	104	12 1	6	3	13	1 7	175	8 1/2	* 372	7 6

* Rs 372-7-6 would be 148-15; but the rate per Coolie for Nunjaid Assessment is Diff: of 223-8-6

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58 The ground on which these trees are grown is measured and usually amounts to about 1/16th of a Cooly and the Assessment tax at the rate of 10 fanams per Cooly, placed on the portion so cultivated.-

59 The amount of Revenue derived from this produce is very small indeed being Rupees 3-12-6 for the highest year, and I would suggest adverting to the circumstances stated above, the cost and labor the ryots have incurred in bringing the water to their grounds, the Total immunity of Government from all share in the original cost and in the repairs of the channels that no additional distinctive tax be imposed on the Plantains on the upper hills, which are not a remunerative produce and that only the land tax be demanded for it.

60 The following table shews the distances of the Rice fields from the several Villages.-

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Name of Village	Name of Hamlet	Nearest distance			Farthest distance		
		Miles	Furlongs	Yards	Miles	Furlongs	Yards
Poombarai		2	"	"	3	4	"
Pollonjee		"	"	80	2	1	"
Mannaranoor		"	6	"	1	4	"
Coombor		"	2	"	"	5	120
Calavary		"	5	"	1	2	60
Poolcor		"	1	60	"	6	"
Poondee		"	3	"	2	"	"
Cowrjee		"	2	"	1	4	"
Vilpully		"	2	160	4	6	"

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The roads are usually very steep, Stony and rugged and the localities feverish. A few huts and Cattle sheds are erected near the fields where the watchers reside. The different members of the family take this duty upon themselves, in some very few instances servants are employed. The grain is brought up to the Villages, where it is stored, on cattle and on men-

61 As Government is at no expense for collecting and storing the waters used for irrigation, it may not be indisposed to forego any claim to an additional rent on account of such improvement. The soil also is not rich, the Cultivator can reap but one crop and that of a very inferior grain, for which they can find no market, and their fields are far from the Villages and very difficult of access. On these accounts, I should be induced to recommend a reduction in the rate of assessment, but for the reasons stated in paras 4 & 5. As the lands have not yet been classified and it is therefore impossible correctly to apportion the tax on each field according to the Ryotwary system, and as the Cultivators are not losers by the present rates as shewn by the subjoined Statement No. VIII A. I would simply suggest that the existing tax be placed on the lands, instead of on the crop, until a Survey can be completed. The more the traffic of these hills is opened up by the improvement of the passes and the formation of new ones, the greater alteration we may expect will take place in the value of the land from the greater demand for it & for the products of the Hills.-

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No. VIII A

A Statement Shewing the supposed profits of the Kunjah Cultivation on the Upper Hills as given by the Nattamgars, Curnams, &c. on the principles of assessment adopted by Mr. Hurdis in respect to the Garden lands, on the plains, of granting 2/3d Share to the Cultivator & 1/3 to the Government after deducting the Common expenses at 12 per Cent.—

Description.	Average produce of 1 Coolly. Class of Lands.	Callams.	Deduct. Its value at 12 anns a Callam	Salandrums at 12 per Cent	2/3 of the remainder for Cultivation Expences.	The remaining 1/3.	Deduct amount of tax.	Leaving a profit to Cultivator of	Remarks.
			Rs. A P	Rs. A P	Rs. A P	Rs. A P	Rs. A P	Rs. A P	
Paddy	1st	8	6 . .	. . 11 6¼	3 8 4	1 12 1¾	. 13 7	. 14 6¾	2/3 instead of 1/2 has been allowed as the share of the Cultivation in consequence
	2d	6	4 8	. . 8 7/16	2 10 2 7/16	1 5 1/16	. 13 7	. 7 6 7/16	of Government being subjected to some
	3d	4	3 .	. . 5 9/16	1 12 1 15/16	. 14 15/16	. 13 7	. . 5 15/16	of the expences of constructing or keeping in repair the Sources of irrigation.—

12 a/- per Callam has been fixed on as the price, because, from enquiry, I find that this is the average price it Secures on the Hills in dealings among the people it could not be Sold on the plains for more than 6 annas if it was Sold at all.—

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No. VIII B

A Statement Shewing the Supposed profits of the Kunjah Cultivation after deducting the expenses stated by the Ryots to be incurred by them in Cultivating.—

Description of Produce.	The average produce of 1 Coolly reduced to Callams of 45 Measures. Class.	Callam	Its Value at 12 anns a Callam	Cost of Cultivation reaping 1/5th	Tax 1/5th	Total	Profit	Loss	Remarks.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
			Rs. A P	Rs. A P	Rs. A P	Rs. A P	Rs. A P	Rs. A P	Rs. A P
Paddy	1st	8	6 . .	4 9 6	. 13 7	5 7 1	. 8 11	. . .	The Hill people are not accustomed
	2d	6	4 8	4 9 6	. 13 7	5 7 1	. . .	. 15 1	to hire labor. Each land holder with his
	3d	4	3 . .	4 9 6	. 13 7	5 7 1	. . .	2 7 1	family usually performs all the work required in his fields. When in want

of aid he calls on his neighbour, who affords the assistance required, and expects Similar aid in his hour of need. The poor man works in the field of the rich and receives in return, the loan of his Cattle generally at the rate of a bullock a day for a days work. It is difficult therefore to make any Correct Calculation of the expenses to which the Cultivator is put in raising his produce. The person employed to weed gets 3 measures of paddy per day taking this as the hire of a labourer per diem, the calculation in Colum 5 has been made according to the number of men Stated by the Villagers to be required to bring under Cultivation, reap 1/5th one Coolly of land.—

× This includes the hire of preparing the land for seed, the price of seed and manure, the hire for weeding reaping, thrashing and transporting the grain to the Village from the field.—

information on these points. The people were continually detected in exaggerating the cost of labour and in deprecating the price obtained for their goods and the fertility of their fields. In some fields where four or five grains are sown together in the same field it is almost impossible to arrive at any correct conclusion.

65 The uncertainty of any estimate must further be very evident when the following circumstances are considered. the difference of seasons, the difference in the care with which the land is dressed and weeded, in the degree in which it has been manured, in the quality of the manure, in a due attention to a proper succession of crops, in the particular situation of fields, besides the depredations of annuals &c. Statements have however been ventured, and drawn up from the information afforded by the Ryots and the Curnoms, and in one or two instances by examination made by my Sheristadar.

66. In fixing the prices I have felt much

much difficulty, especially of those articles which are not generally brought to market. I fixed 12 Annas as the price of Paddy, because I found on enquiry that this was the price which the cultivators stated they got either in money or goods for paddy sold or bartered among themselves on the Hills, but perhaps it would be better to assume a lower rate. 10 Annas and 2 pice per Collum was the price fixed by Mr. Hurdis for Paddy at Cumbum and Goodalore, the most distant and inaccessible Villages in the Dindgul Valley at that time infested with wild beasts and overrun with Jungles and allowing for the still greater inaccessibility of these Hills 6 or 8 Annas may perhaps be deemed a fair price for the inferior grain grown there, which could command 120 market below. With regard to the Garden products which are almost all Saleable articles and some in great demand, there appears to be two ways of arriving at an average Standard price, in following these however

however we shall arrive at different results, and perhaps the mean of these might be fixed on as the Commutation rate.—

There are some articles which are not procurable on the plains, at least not in such quantities as to affect the market, these are garlic, wheat, barley, Vendeem, potatoes, mustard and Sweetflag. In ascertaining the average wholesale price of these articles for the last, Say 10 years, in the bazaars of Tyempully, Tenkurray, Dindigul and Nellacottah, deducting therefrom Cooly hire for Carriage to the plains and fixing the residue as the standard price, I think we arrive at a very safe standard for such products, for if we allow the Cultivator all necessary expenses for carriage we have enabled him to bring his goods to a market, the price of which he can command and which is known, and when his facilities in transit

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are increased his profits may perhaps be proportionally larger.— Secondly there are some articles, such as Ingy, Mochy cottai, Raghy, &c. which are grown in large quantities below the market price, being fixed by the Supply provided on the plains for such articles the Cultivator may not be able to obtain a remunerative price from the merchants of the plains, except in peculiar seasons of the failure of such products in the plains, but by following the same process as above, and taking an average between the high selling and low selling products we may perhaps arrive at something like an approximation to a fair Standard for a Commutation price, from which some deductions may be made, Say 10 per Cent, to meet the difficulty alluded to in regard to articles common to the hills and to the plains,

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plains, for it must be remembered th
all these products are grown at differ
seasons on the same lands, and their pa
should, I conceive, all come into our co
culation in fixing the commutation pa
for the grain grown on such land.—

At present the merchants tra
port goods from the low Country whic
they barter for the products of the Hill
it has been suggested that by ascertai
the quantity of the low Country articles
in exchange and the price of that quan
and also following the same procedure
the products of the Hills and taking
the average between the two a fairer
sett would be gained. Tables have bee
drawn up according to both these the
it appears to me that the former
more practical, useful and safe. I
my Table No. VIII B I have take
the prices the people state they obta
for their goods.—

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No. I

Statement shewing the selling prices of purely Hill grown Garden products during the last 10 years and the Standard for a Commutation fixed upon them.—

Names of the Products	Cullum or Tolam	Average of the prices obtained during the last 10 years in the Bazars of Tanjore Kurray Trichy Pulley Cuttalay and Dindigul	Deduct Carriage to the Plains	Balance	Average	Remarks
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
Fine Wheat	1 per Cullum	5 1 11	1 " 4	4 1 7	" " "	This Cullum makes 60 measures each weighing 3 lb 10 lbs. The carriage is allowed at 4 annas per Cooly load of 50 lbs weight
Coarse Wheat / Barley	Dº	3 5 4	1 " 4	2 5 "	" " "	
Garlic	1 per Tolam	" 10 5	" 1 7	" 8 10	" " "	
Dill	Dº	" 14 3	" 1 7	" 12 8	" " "	
Mustard	Dº	" 13 5	" 1 7	" 11 10	" " "	
Sweet Flag	Dº	1 2 4	" 1 7	1 " 9	" " "	
Potatoes	Dº	" 12 4	" 1 7	" 10 9	" " "	
Total	"	12 12 "	2 8 7	10 3 5	1 7 4	

No. II

Products common to the Hills and to the Plains.—

Raghy	1 per Cullum	1 4 7	1 " 4	" 4 3	" " "	
Jonay	Dº	1 4 7	1 " 4	" 4 3	" " "	
Shamay	Dº	1 4 7	1 " 4	" 4 3	" " "	
Mooshay	Dº	2 9 "	1 " 4	1 8 8	" " "	
Total		6 8 9	4 1 4	2 3 5	" 9 4	
The mean average					1 " 4	

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No. III.

Statement Shewing the prices of Products that are carried up the Hills from the plains to barter for the Hill products.

Articles carried to the Hills				Hill products taken in exchange.					
Description	Price	Weights Pollams	Measures	Description	Weights Pollams	Measures	Prices for which the Hill products are sold down the Hills	Difference between Columns 2 and 8 which is the profit of Merchants on the plains.	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
							C Rs a P	C Rs a P	
				Garlic	1 3/8	1/64	3 3 2	2 3 2	
				Dill	"	32	2 10 8	1 10 8	
1. Salt	1	" 16		Mustard	"	32	2 10 8	1 10 8	
				Fine wheat	"	32	2 10 8	1 10 8	
				Coarse wheat	"	40	2 " "	1 " "	
				Garlic	9/16	1/32	4 12 9	3 12 9	
				Dill	"	32	2 10 10	1 10 10	
2 Chilly	1	" 96		Mustard	"	32	2 10 10	1 10 10	
				Fine wheat	"	32	2 10 10	1 10 10	
				Coarse wheat	"	32	1 9 8	" 9 8	
				Garlic	4	"	2 " "	1 " "	
				Dill	"	28 1/2	2 6 "	1 6 "	
3. Tamarind with out nuts.	1	200 "		Mustard	"	28 1/2	2 6 "	1 6 "	
				Fine wheat	"	25	2 1 4	1 1 4	
				Coarse wheat	"	40	2 " "	1 " "	
				Garlic	8	"	4 " "	3 " "	
				Dill	"	33 3/8	2 12 6	1 12 6	
4. Beetel	1	200 "		Mustard	"	33 3/8	2 12 6	1 12 6	
				Fine wheat	"	38 1/2	3 3 4	2 3 4	
				Coarse wheat	"	40	2 " 4	1 " "	
				Garlic	4	"	2 " "	1 " "	
				Dill	"	24	2 " "	1 " "	
5. Aricanut	1	24 "		Mustard	"	24	2 " "	1 " "	
				Fine wheat	"	24	2 " "	1 " "	
				Coarse wheat	"	32	1 9 7	" 9 7	

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Examined & compared

Counted Pro.

Collected on 4 Rs and out three

All together

Coarse annas

List of Hill

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No III.

Statement shewing the prices of Produce bartered for the Hill products

Articles carried to the Hills | Hill products taken in exchange.

Weights | Prices for which the 2 and 3 wheels Hill products is the profit

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No. IX A

A Statement Shewing the Expenses of Cultivation and the profit derived by the Hill

Sort of Lands.	Description of produce.	1st Crop. Produce in Gooly. Cullum	Palam	Value Per Cullum	Per Palam	Total value of Produce	Description of products	2nd Crop. Produce per Gooly. Cullum	Palam	Value Per Cullum	Per Palam	Total value of Produce	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
				Rs. a P	Rs. a P	Rs. a P				Rs. a P	Rs. a P	Rs. a P	
1st	Garlic	"	80	" " "	" 4 "	20 "	Garlic	"	64	" " "	" 4 "	16 " "	contains 12
2	Do	"	64	" " "	" 4 "	16 "	Do	"	48	" " "	" 4 "	12 " "	cubical Measure each
3d	Do	"	48	" " "	" 4 "	12 "	Fine Wheat	2	"	3 " "	" "	6 " "	contains
4th	Do	"	32	" " "	" 4 "	8 "	Hill Do	3	"	2 8 "	" "	7 8 "	pollam —
	Do	"	32	" " "	" 4 "	8 "	Barley	4	"	2 8 "	" "	9 " "	last weight. —
	Do	"	32	" " "	" 4 "	8 "	Dill	"	10	" " "	" 6 "	3 12 "	
	Do	"	32	" " "	" 4 "	8 "	Mustard	"	8	" " "	" 6 "	3 " "	
	Do	"	32	" " "	" 4 "	8 "	Tenay Mochey	3	"	" 12 "	" "	2 4 "	
	Wheat	2	"	3 " "	" "	6 "	Mustard	1	"	" " "	" "	1 6 "	
	Do	2	"	3 " "	" "	6 "	Tenay Mochay	"	8	" " "	" 6 "	3 12 "	
								3	"	" 12 "	" "	2 4 "	
								1	"	" " "	" "	1 6 "	

The prices are fixed as that which the people on the Hills get Credit given them

A State of the people from Garden lands as Fort St. George

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Estimated by Natamgars 88 ca-

Sort of Lands.	Description of produce	Total value of 2nd Crop.	Expenses. Subsistance at 12 per Cent.	2/3 of the Remainder for the Ryots.	The remaining 1/3rd.	Deduct Amount of Loss.	Profit to Ryots.	Remarks.
1		14	15	16	17	18	19	20.
		Rs a P.	Rs a P	Rs a P	Rs a P	Rs a P	Rs a P.	
1st Garden		36 " "	4 5 1½	21 1 4	10 8 11½	1 4 4	9 4 7½	The Collam contains 12 Mercals of 5 Madras Measure each Mercal.—
2 Do		28 " "	3 5 9½	16 6 9 15/16	8 3 4 15/16	1 4 4	6 15 15/16	
3d Do		18 " "	2 2 6¾	11 14 3½	6 15 1¾	1 4 4	4 10 9¾	The Tolam contains 100 pollams, each pollam weighing 24 Pagodas weight.—
4th Do		15 8 "	1 13 9½	9 1 5 15/16	4 8 8 15/16	1 4 4	3 4 4 15/16	
Do		17 " "	2 " 7 11/16	9 " 15 6 7/8	4 15 9 7/16	1 4 4	3 11 5 7/16	
Do		11 12 "	1 6 6¾	6 14 3½	3 7 1¾	1 4 4	2 2 9¾	
Do		11 " "	1 5 15/16	6 7 3 7/8	3 3 7 9/16	1 4 4	1 15 3 9/16	
Do		10 10 "	1 6 3½	6 13 1¾	3 6 6¾	1 4 4	2 2 2¾	
Do		9 12 "	1 2 9	5 11 6	2 13 9	1 4 4	1 9 5 3/4	
		9 10 "	1 2 6.	5 10 4.	2 13 2	1 4 4	1 8 10	

by the Merchants their accounts.—

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No. IX B.

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Statement Shewing the Cultivation, Charges, amount of produce the profit derived from or loss sustained by the Hill people as given by themselves in Cultivating the different kinds of Garden products.—

Description.	Average produce per Gooly. 1st Crop. Callams	Folams	2d Crop Callams	Folams	Total Callams	Folams	Selling price per Callams Rs. a p	Folams Rs. a p	Amount of the Value of produce Rs. a p	Deduct Charges. Of Cultivation Manure and &c. Rs. a p	Tax. Rs. a p	Total. Rs. a p	Profit Rs. a p	Loss. Rs. a p
Garlic	50		50		100			4						
Wheat	1 3/4		1 3/4		3 1/2			3						
Barley	1 3/4		1 3/4		3 1/2			2 8						
Tenay	1 3/4		"		1 3/4			12						
Morchay (Mixed Crop.)	1		"		1			1 6						
Mustard (Mixed Crop.)	3/16		"		3/16			2 8						
Sweet flag	60		"		60			4						
Dill	3 1/2		"		3 1/2			1 14						
									25	22 4	1 4 4	23 8 4	1 7 8	
									10 8	19 8	1 4 4	20 12 4		10 4 4
									8 12	19 8	1 4 4	20 12 4		12 4 4
									1 5					
									1 6					
									15					
									3 10	4 2	1 4 4	5 6 4		1 12 4
										for 5 years.				
									15	10	6 5 8	16 5 8		1 5 8
									69	6 6	1 4 4	7 4 10		11 10

cultivated as Poonjah is very trifling indeed. The largest amount is found in Poombarai. This paucity of Poonjah is in a great measure accounted for by the habits of the people who have no stimulus to work having no market near at hand to carry their produce to. They are the dupes of a set of designing intriguing men, who come from the plains with goods for sale, for which they extort from the Ryots excessive prices and to whom they occasionally lend money on exorbitant interest. They also bring up fictitious claims which they enforce by threats, and if this will not do, they frighten the poor cultivators by the source of the process of a court which the ryots dread more than death, and the sight of a Notice is sufficient to induce them to yield to the most unjust demands, such proceedings damp the ardour of the cultivator and makes him

him careless. Their wants are few and simple and not being very industrious their Gardens and Punjah give them as much employment as they think they can bestow. The valleys and slopes in the immediate vicinity of the Villages are already occupied. They dread the more distant and lower parts as much for the fever as the ravages of wild animals.

72. The population too is small and labor dear. But perhaps the chief obstacle is the mode of taxation which prevents them from cultivating the more remunerative kinds of grain such as wheat, vendium &c. It will be seen also that b famans is [illegible] placed

placed on the fine wheat, while the common and inferior kinds of wheat is assessed at 4 fanams.

This acts as a counter inducement to the cultivation of the superior sort.

73. Three fanams are now paid on a cooly of Poonjah land

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land which can be ploughed, provided the very coarsest grains are grown upon it, and two and one Fanams for that which is situated on the precipitous slopes of the Hills and can only be worked upon by a hoe.

74. Adverting to the distances the Poonjah lands are situated from the Village and the difficulties the Cultivators have to contend with, detailed in the foregoing paras: and the poverty of the soil, I think a reference to the table of rates prevailing on the plains will satisfactorily shew that a tax of 2 fanams for the Poonjah, which can be ploughed, would be ample. In Salem only Rupee one is paid for an acre of that rich soil, so near a good market, which would be at the rate of 2 4/16 fanams a Dindigal Cooly.

The following Table shews the distances of the Poonjai cultivation from the several Villages.

No. XI

Name of Village	Name of Hamlet.	Nearest distance Miles.	Furs.	Yds.	Farthest distance Miles	Furs	Yds.	Remarks.
Poombaray	Poombaray	"	1	"	4	4	30	
	Pallangee	"	"	60	3	2	80	
	Mannavanoor	"	"	110	"	5	"	
	Coomboor	"	"	30	"	3	"	
Yettoor	Calavary	"	1	"	"	4	60	
	Pallor	"	"	18	"	4	60	
	Prandie	"	"	110	"	3	"	
	conjee	"	1	"	"	2	110	
Vilput	Viltputty	"	1	"	5	6	10	

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For the Ponum cultivation I think — 1 fanam per Cooly is ample. It is what is generally paid for this Class of Cultivation throughout the District.—

75. The largest of the independent Hill Villages is Poombary. This is a remarkable — Village, standing near the edge of a terrace com=manding a view in the N.N.E. direction of a valley many miles in extent, the sides and upper limits of which are bounded by precipitous — rocks presenting appearance of having been abruptly broken by the sudden sinking of the intermediate portion. Its height is about 6,000 feet above the level of the sea. This Village has appended to it, 6 hamlets. Kookal, old Poottoor, New Poottoor and — Pallangee. The Survey does not enable me to state the exact area of this Village and of its hamlets. The Curnums ayacut given only an area of — 9 5 29, of this extent 1 2 176, or 476 Coolies was under cultivation in Fasly 1260, nearly one square mile being under rice cultivation and the rest under miscellaneous products. such as garlic, fine wheat, coarse — wheat, barley, tenay, mooch cottai, mustard, sweetflag

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sweetflag and often garlic. The population is ascertained to amount to 1000 souls, which taking the area of the Village to be 120 square miles, would give an average of about 8 to the square mile. The number of houses is 182 or to each house about 5 souls. of Puttahs 192, of Ploughs 161 1/2, of Oxen 310 of Cows and Calves 707, and of buffaloes 64.—

† The Puttah holders bear the proportion of 1 to 5 1/4 on the gross popula=tion.

76. The next Village of note is Vettoor, the Capital of which is Mannavanoor. It — is little higher than Poombary, 200 feet perhaps. Mannavanoor is beautifully situated on a sloping hill, which forms the ridge of a large basin. On the same side of the ridge, as Mannavanoor is one of its hamlets, — while 6 others are situated on the opposite side on slopes all riding to the N. Between the principal Village and its subordinates pour down large streams which form the river flowing through the Tallangy valley. Mannavanoor has 6 hamlets, formerly there were 7 but two are entirely abandoned on account of fever. The existing ones are Coom=boor, Coonjee, Poondy, Poolloor and Calavaray. The Ayacut of the Curnum lays down this Village at 6 Square Miles and one Furlong, but I suppose it cannot be less than 100 Square Miles

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Miles, of which 1-4 was under cultivation in
1260, of this about 7/8 was rice land, the rest
was occupied with garlic, wheat, coarse and
fine, barley, sweet flag, mustard and ragby.—

X 77. The population of the Yettoor
Villages is 4452 souls or about 14/2 to the
square mile. The number of houses is 2854
to each house 6 souls, of Puttahs 261 or in
the proportion of nearly 3/4 to each inhabitant,
of Oxen 385, of Cows 480, of Buffaloes 12
of Sheep and Goats 175.—

X 78 The last Village on the upper
range is Vilputty which is about 6,000 feet
above the level of the Sea. It is placed
in an immense hollow surrounded by no
plain, but with hills on all sides.—

79. The Ayacut of this no
Village is stated by the Curnum to be
5-2-135, but I should suppose it no
cannot be less than 50 Square Miles,
The cultivation is given at 9 furlongs
and 118 and odd Square Yards, or Cawnies

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214-1, of which above 1/3 of a Square Mile
or Cawnies 157-9/2 is rice land, and the rest
occupied by garlic, fenugreek mustard, tenai
Mochy cottai, Samay and potatoes.—

X 80 The population of Vilputty is
864 souls or about 8 to a Square Mile. The
number of houses is 76 or to each house about
5/2 souls, of puttahs 93, or about 1 to 5 of
the number of the inhabitants, of ploughs 70,
of Oxen 107, of Cows and Calves 183, of
Buffaloes 12, of Sheep and Goats 20.—

The subjoined Table will show
these particulars more in detail, and give
a comparison between the years 1850 and 1824

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No. VII. A Statistical Table of the Upper Range - Yettoor -

Name of Villages & hamlets	Population				Cattle								Sheep and Goats	Number of Houses	Number of Pattahs	Number of Ploughs
	Men	Women	Children	Total	Bullocks	Cows	Calves	Total	the Buffaloes	the Buffaloes	Calves	Total				
Mannaranoor	125	123	120	368	104	68	62	234	7	12	11	30	28			
Coomboor	43	54	62	159	22	19	18	59	4	4	4	18	19			
Combaje	86	96	78	260	49	32	26	107	8	6	9	21	26	285	261	192½
Poodee	71	76	69	216	85	55	46	186	7	30	25	62	48			
Poor	52	65	74	191	39	25	26	90	6	8	9	23	34			
Calacady	73	86	101	261	86	63	50	199	5	22	31	58	17			
Total	450	500	502	1452	385	252	228	865	35	85	92	212	170	285	261	192½
A Comparison of the above with the Table in Lieutenant Wards Memorandum prepared in 1824	503	496	"	999 Including Children	285	402	"	687	"	"	"	55	"	211	"	142½

Poombaray

Poombaray	204	234	312	747	215	309	321	845	10	16	9	35	"			
Cookall	43	46	62	151	62	27	18	107	5	4	9	21	"			
Pullem Pottoor	13	12	7	32	10	6	4	20	2	2	2	6	"	182	192	141½
Poodoo Pottoor	13	8	3	24	11	5	3	19	3	3	3	9	"			
Pallangee	16	14	26	56	12	8	6	26	3	3	2	8	"			
Total	289	314	410	1010	310	355	352	1017	23	31	25	79	"	182	192	141½

Vilputty

Vilputty	102	129	135	364	107	108	79	294	5	7	"	12	20	76	73	70
Total of Poombary and Vilputty	388	441	445	1374	417	463	431	1311	28	38	25	91	20	258	265	211½
A Comparison of the above with the Table in Lieutenant Wards Memorandum prepared in 1824	469	447	"	916 Including Children	431	400	"	831	"	"	"	52	"	235	"	215

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81 The lower range of these Hills is generally known under the designation of the Tandegoody and Verupatchy Hills. The former included in the Talook of Tenkurrai is divided into 4 principal Divisions, Vizt Cusbah Tandegoody, Cananoor Punnycadoo, Pootatoor, and has 6 hamlets attached to it Vizt Aradeputty, Pullumboputty, Vyrumputty, Amla-valumputty, Arisaputty and Muchoorputty.—

82 The Viroopatchy Hills belonging to the Talook of Ayempully contain 5 principal Villages, Vizt Cusbah Pereyoor, Patchatoor, Vadacadoo Cunnanoor and Vennelly. To the first of these 34 hamlets are attached, to the second 9, to the third 1, to the fourth 2 and to the fifth 2.—

83 This part of the Hills contains much table land slightly undulating. The soil is rich, and water, though not so abundant as on the Upper range, is not scarce, except in the lower Villages of the Viroopatchy range and in Pootatoor. There are two classes of cultivation on the lower Hills, Punjai and Poonjai including Poonum. There is nothing which can strictly be called Tatam

84 It will be seen from the following Table that not only is Poonjai grain the most largely cultivated on these Hills but that as a source of Revenue the Poonjai is the most remunerative & important to the Government

No XIII

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No XIII. A Statement shewing the extent of land Cultivated in fusly 1261 and the different kinds of products raised in Tandegoody, Tenkary Talook.—

Description of Products	Extent in Coolies	as	Amount of Tax in Rs	a	p
Paddy	212	2¼	179	13	11
Plantain	460	2½	946	1	5
Turmeric	18	11¼	39	10	8
Ginger	28	15¼	36	13	11
Dill	172	13¼	219	8	4
Coarse wheat	25	10	21	11	10
Potatoes	1	9¼	1	8	6
Cardamum	5	4	10	9	8
Sawey and Raghy, Coffee in Poonum — Punjai	2332	6	989	7	9
		½	"	"	3
Samay and Raghy in Poonum — Poonjai	598	10½	126	15	10
Total	3854	15½	2602	"	5

A Similar Statement for Viroopatchy in Ayempully Talook.—

Paddy	64	10½	54	13	8
Plantain	279	7¼	592	13	9
Tobacco	"	11½	1	9	6
Turmeric	11	6	24	"	8
Cardamum	4	13½	10	4	5
Ginger	5	9¾	11	12	10
Dill	4	14¼	6	9	8
Raghy	179	10½	729	5	7
Raghy and Tenay in Poonum	786	7¾	166	13	1
Total	2877	11	1597	13	2

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85 The great staple of export is the plantain which is much prized, and supplies most of the Markets to the W. of Dindigul It is a very rich and aromatic fruit. Ginger, Turmeric, Vendian, Mustard, jackfruit and some of the dry Grains are also exported.—

86. Cardamums are grown in well sheltered and moist jungles and are five years before they come into bearing.

87 The turmeric is grown in the open fields like any other dry Grain. It requires to remain 18 Months before it is fit to gather. It is of a superior kind but not much of it is raised.

88. The Ginger is 12 Months in coming to perfection and requires much shade.

89. Wheat, Vendian, Ragky Cadarai Seed Vcs are grown as common Poonjai in ploughed fields, which are seldom manured but are allowed to be fallow to recover their strength. Two Crops can, though it is not always the case be annually raised off the dry land in the year.

90. I believe Coffee and Tea and English Vegetables and fruits might be grown with much profit on these Hills.

91 The way in which the plaintain is cultivated is most destructive to the large forests

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forests which are fast disappearing to make way for plaintain Gardens. The Cultivator after selecting what he considers an eligible spot, fells the trees without regard to their value, and as soon as they are dry enough to burn sets fire to them. The ashes form a valuable manure, correcting the acidity of the rich Vegetable mould on which the forests has stood and turning it into a most productive soil. The soil is lightly scratched and sown with some dry grain and the plantain planted at regular distances. These plantations continue to bear from 10 to 20 years. As soon as the soil is exhausted another wood is selected, which shares the same fate. The open fields are sometimes when well situated near the Village and of rich soil cultivated annually with turmeric and dry grains Many of them however are left waste until they are again over-run with jungle when the clearing takes place a second time. The Ginger is generally grown under the shade of the plantain trees. The plantain Gardens are never artificially watered, the slopes of Hills near some spring are usually selected, the humidity of the ground and atmosphere are sufficient to bring the tree to perfection.

92 That the removal of forests to make

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make room for open fields contributes to augment the temperature is undoubtedly true, since it is well known that the atmosphere itself is not heated by the direct rays of the sun, but that its warmth springs from the earth and that the degree of this warmth is entirely governed by the quantity of heat absorbed through the earths surface, whether this throwing open to the direct action of the sun of a more extended surface of territory will prove a benefit, remains a problem, the night become sensibly warmer from the earth having imbibed a sufficient quantity of heat to temper the coolness of the air between the setting and rising of the sun, which tends perhaps to improve the climate and remove those fearful malaria so depopulating in jungly situations, wild beasts too are rendered more scarce, but it cannot be questioned that bodies of water and springs by being exposed to the suns rays become materially affected and diminished and to a similar extent the wet cultivation becomes affected.

93. The forests contain much fine timber, and I doubt not that among the trees now so recklessly destroyed many might be rendered very useful in a medical or commercial point of view. I have endeavored to put a stop to the indiscriminate course of destruction pursued by the

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the Villagers, by directing that no further lands shall be felled without permission - a careful and judicious clearing would be very advantageous to the Country in improving the condition of the Villages, increasing the revenue, and ministering to the wants of the cultivators and the people, but the present mode of clearing the jungles can by no means be termed judicious.

94. I am not prepared to say that a reduction of the tax by enabling the ryot to manure and enrich his ground with other substances than wood ashes and so fit it for the plantain would lead to the abandonment of the existing practice. I fear it would not - I am afraid that the increased profits would not be laid out in so unexceptionable and rational a way - In some places especially in Tandegoody almost all the large forests are already destroyed, and many of the springs have consequently been dried up - Mr. Levenge in his Settlement Report for fusly 1260, considered the present tax too high, and that it acts as a bar to the increase of this class of cultivation which he stated was yearly decreasing - The following Table hardly bears out such an assertain, and even if it were correct, I am not prepared to say that such a result is not desirable until the Civilization and the experience of the people have made them adopt other modes of cultivation than that which at present obtains among them -

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No. XIV A Table shewing the Extent of land cultivated with Plantains on the Lower range from fusly 1252 to fusly 1261.

Fusly	Veroopatchy — Extent of Land — Goolies	as	Amount of Tax. Rs	a	P	Jandegoody — Extent of Land — Goolies	as	Amount of Tax Rs	a	P	Total. Extent of Land — Goolies	as	Amount of Tax Rs	a	P	Remarks
1252	211	11	449	"	6	300	3/4	636	1	6	511	11 3/4	1085	"	"	
53	390	12 1/2	828	14	11	393	4 1/4	834	3	1	784	3/4	1663	2	"	
54	261	10 1/2	555	"	5	375	5 1/4	796	2	7	636	15 3/4	1351	3	"	
55	254	7 1/4	539	12	"	380	13 3/4	807	14	2	635	5	1347	10	2	
56	278	10 3/4	591	14	5	378	14 1/4	803	11	4	657	9	1395	9	9	Vide No. 15.
57	255	3	541	4	11	411	6	835	3	8	666	9	1376	8	7	
58	280	10	595	4	"	360	4 3/4	764	4	3	640	12 3/4	1359	8	3	
59	246	1 1/2	585	12	9	458	14 3/4	1973	7	6	735	1/4	1559	4	1	
60	320	15 1/2	680	13	11	425	8	982	9	5	746	7 1/2	1583	9	4	
61	299	7 1/4	592	13	9	466	2 1/2	976	1	5	739	9 3/4	1568	15	2	
Total	2809	9 1/4	5960	11	5	3944	10 1/4	8329	10	11	6754	3 1/2	14290	6	4	

95 The following table shews — that the Plantain cultivators are not without a fair share of profit. —

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tes and the profit drivable by Ryots from the

Description of Product.	Average produce per Goorly. First Crop.	Second Crop.	Total	Selling Per Collam.	Price. Per Tolam	Amount of the value of Produce	Expenses of the cultivation &tes. Expences of cultivation &tes	Amount of Tax.	Total.
	Collam Nos Tolam	Collam Nos Tolam	Collam Nos Tolam	Rs a P	Rs a P	Rs a P	Rs a P	Rs a P	Rs a P
Plantain Cultivation									
Rugby for 1st Year	2 30		2 30	1					
Turmeric for 2d year	25		25						
Ginger	60		60						
	Plantains								
Plantains for 3d Years	7500			Per Thousand	8				
	Plantains								
Plantains for 4th Year	10,000			Per thousand	12				
							2 8	7 5	35 7 8 5
							2	7 8	
							8	12 8	
Total							20	35	35
							3 12	1 6	2 1 11 3 7 11
Grand Total							26 4	8 11	2 8 9 11 3 9
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different kinds of Products raised in the Hill Villages-

Description of Product	The Profit accruing to Ryots.	The loss to Ryots.	Remarks
Plantain Cultivation			Before Planting the young plantain shoots, the Cultivator is put to some expense in clearing the land of jungles and Weeds and preparing the soil. In the first year his profits are but small from the Raghy sown on a part of the ground. The other portion of the ground is occupied with Ginger and Turmeric which are not gathered till the close of the 2d year. The Plantains begin to yield in the 3d year and continue to do so as long as care is taken of them for from 20 to 30 years. During the first 3 years the Ryot, it is stated, obtains for each Goolgen an average about 6 Rs and upwards per annum, as clear profit.
Raghy for 1st Year			
Turmeric for 2d year			
Ginger for 2d year			
Plantains for 3d Years			
Plantains for 1st Year	3 6		Rs 2 6 / every succeeding year

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There are no plantains in the plains which can come into competition with the Hill plantains, which are much prized and valued. Under another system of Cultivation I should be glad to see the tax reduced and placed on the land. The plantains of the Seroomalee Hills which are not so elevated and which command a nearer and superior market in Dindigul, Madura and the large villages in its vicinity, have hitherto only in practice paid at the rate of about 5 fanams per Cooly though at the Settlement each fruit-bearing tree was fixed at 1/8 of a fanam, which would make the tax greater than that now paid on the Tandigoody, Veerapatchy Hills.

96. Under the views expressed above, and adverting to the fact that throughout the District plantains pay a higher tax than other products, with the exception of

of ginger, tobacco and Turmeric, it will be seen that I am not prepared to propose any reduction in the tax at present paid on the Plantain topes—

97. The other products that pay Vampire tax on these Hills are, turmeric and Cardamum—The ginger pays 6 fanams per Cooly—It requires shade and is often sown under the shade of the Plantain trees and sometimes under the shade of the Kanul trees—It is said to take 12 Months before it comes to perfection—The Turmeric takes 18 Months and is grown on the common Poonjie ground—I see no reason why these products should pay such high

high taxes as 10 and 6 fanams per Cooly—It is true they command a higher price in the Market but they require greater care and expense in culture, and 3 crops of other grains are raised while they are maturing—Under these circumstances I think it would be sufficient to assess them with the tax of the land on which they are grown—

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No. XVI

Statement shewing the quantity of Turmeric and Ginger grown in the Circar villages on the Pulney Hills and the difference between the existing Rate and that proposed in para 97 of the Report.

The name of the Hills	Turmeric				Ginger					Total amount of difference shewn in Col.s 5 and 10.
	Extent of land	At existing rate of 10 fanams per Gooly	At the rate proposed in the Report of 3 fanams per Gooly	Amount of difference	Extent of land	Existing rate in fanams per Gooly	Seemadi	At 3 fanams per Gooly	Amount of difference	
1	2.	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Cawnys a.	Rs a ℔	Rs a ℔	Rs a ℔	Cawny a.	Fanams	Rs a ℔	Rs a ℔	Rs a ℔	Rs a ℔
Veerapatchy—	5 1	24 . 8	7 3 8	16 13 .	2 7/2	10	11 12 10	3 8 7	. 8 1 3	25 1 5
Tandegoody—	8 5	39 10 8	11 14 5	27 12 3	12 14	6	36 13 11	18 6 11	18 7 .	46 3 3
Total—	13 6	63 11 1	19 2 1	44 9 3	15 5/2	.	48 10 9	21 15 6	26 11 3	71 1 6

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But it must, I presume, be left for the consideration of higher Authority to determine whether it be expedient to continue the existing System, or, by fixing the assessment for the future on the land with the exception of the plantains, to leave to the proprietor the advantages derivable from the cultivation of more valuable products, or from the application of the genius and talent of the agriculturist to the prosecution of other schemes to the augmentation of the wealths and comforts in which individuals have every incitement to engage; when they know and feel that the demands of Government upon their labours are fixed, and that the surplus of their earnings whatever it may be, they may enjoy in perfect security

98 The Nunjai is either grown on marshy ground or on ground watered by small Channels cut from streams. From the want of water, only one crop is raised.

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The grain is much superior to that grown on the higher range and the Market is nearer. The soil also is much richer and might be employed, and I think in growing sugar cane and plantains. I do not think the tax of 4 fanams per cooly is at all too high for this class of land.

99. On the Poonjai lands, if wheat and vendiams &c. are grown, they are charged 6 fanams, if mustard 3, if raghy, samay, kenay and common dry grains, 2 fanams if the ground is ploughed, and 1, if a Manadei is used. I do not think that a tax of 3 fanams for the ploughed Poonjai lands would be too high and 1 for the Poonam.

100. The soil is such, 2 Crops are often raised on the same land, the grain is very fine, and returns, I am inclined to believe, not less than 100 per Cent: 3 fanams per Cooly would be at the rate of Rupees 1-5 a Cawney

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being a fraction less than is paid for
lands on the Shevaroy Hills. I doubt
not Coffee and Tea might be easily
raised with much profit to the Culti-
=vator, the only drawback is the very
bad state of the roads if they de-
=serve to be called by that name—

101. In regard to Cardamums
it seems to me very desirable to en-
=courage their cultivation, as their
extension would act as a kind of
counter poise to the plantains in
the preservation of the Kanls. The
Cardamums require much shade and
moisture and need much care in their
Cultivation. They do not come into
bearing for five years. The fruit which
grows out of the roots is greedily de-
devoured by rats and Squirrels, and
unless the garden is kept well weeded,
the fruit is lost. It is much affected
also by the state of the Season. In a
dry Season the outturn is very small
and the Seed very inferior. In Travancore,
Cannivady, and other places where it is
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grown, it is usually for the Landlord or
Proprietor to make a Monopoly of it, pur-
=chasing all the Ryot's share of Cardamums
for 7 Rupees a Tolam, and selling it
at 15 or 20 Rupees for the same measure.
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the Cardamums also for his quit
rent—

102. I would suggest that parties
willing to cultivate the Cardamum be
encouraged to offer for any Kanel, and
that we be permitted to make same
over to them for the first 5 years rent
free, that afterwards a tax not less than
5 fanams or more than 10 fanams per
cooly be demanded, that they be fully
given to understand that they have only
a right of enjoyment and no absolute
right to the wood, which must revert
to the Government on the Culti-
=vator discontinuing the species of
cultivation—

103 The subjoined Table will
shew the population &c. of the villages
on the Pundegoody and Verupatchy Hills
in 1850, compared with the year 1824—

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No. XVII

A Statistical Table of the Lower Canada Regiment.

Names of Officers and Men	Number of Men, Women & Children	Cattle				Remarks
		Oxen.	Cows.	Calves.	Total	
Lieut. Col. Phillpotts.	1					
Capt. & Adjt. Lemoine.	1					
Capt. & Q. M. Holmes.	1					
Sergeants.	4					
Corporals.	4					
Drummers.	2					
Privates.	83	442	534	542	1681	180 miles
Artificers	1					
Women	50	71	114	95	83	292
Children	80	42	32	154	9	16
Total	226	633	920	990	2812	431
Buffaloes.						
Oxen.	29	197	918	36	143	102
Cows.	281	175	79			
Calves.						
Total						
Number of Horses & Mules in 1834.	30	117	161	157	318	52
Number of Horses & Mules in 1834.	70	71	71			
Remarks	Travelling Officers					

Names of Villages and Hamlets	Number of Houses	Number of Families	Number of Souls	Number of Males	Number of Females	Number of Children	Number of Horses	Number of Cattle	Number of Sheep	Number of Hogs	Remarks
Tandragooly	49½	151	217	211	201	629	99	75	35	209	9
Carnicoor	16	58	104	82	83	269	52	33	29	96	4
Chinney caddoo	95½	295	450	472	420	1342	205	191	102	128	15
Poolattoor	18	129	182	194	196	572	95	69	31	185	8
Total	209	633	953	959	900	2812	431	290	197	918	36

Names of Villages and Hamlets	Number of Houses	Number of Families	Number of Souls	Number of Males	Number of Females	Number of Children	Number of Horses	Number of Cattle	Number of Sheep	Number of Hogs	Remarks
Carnicoor	83	442	534	542	1681	180	41	532	12	31	53
Pettiakoor	50	71	114	95	83	292	80	42	32	154	9
Tandragooly	30	96	94	105	121	320	45	57	21	105	8
Tommanoor	20	27	31	31	28	90	36	22	11	49	6
Total	185	656	793	765	8253	2834	212	105	658	35	68

Statement of the above with Remarks made in 1834.

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104. I am aware that my suggestions are not founded on strictly scriptuary principles: that allowances has not been made for the different classes of soils, the position and situation of the fields as regards their altitude, exposure, proximity to water and command of a market, and that the average of the market prices has not been drawn out or taken into consideration, but as no survey has been made of these lands and it is impossible one can be made with the present very limited establishment, it seemed to me that until these particulars can be fully and thoroughly known and tested, it was better not to attempt an ill digested classification which would require amendment, since repeated changes must have a very bad effect on the minds of the ignorant people on the Hills in tending to disgust and render them dissatisfied. On the other hand, what a field has long paid, we are

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are sure it can continue to pay. To be sure the rent does not bear hard on the people it would be necessary to make the new assessment very low and this though it would have a good effect in time, would occasion an unavoidable loss of revenue, even if we could make the new assessment as fair and accurate it might still be unadvisable unless it were to be final, since every man's rate of payment and consequently his circumstances would be altered, and the inconvenience suffered by him, whose income is reduced, is out of all proportion to the advantage gained by him whose profit has been augmented. A new assessment would require the new modelling of each man's puttah, since each field is to be assessed according to its actual value, it is almost impossible that the proportion of revenue now due by each puttadar should not be altered. The unnaturally high rate must be reduced, while

while that on the land too lightly assessed must be raised, but whether in the same proportion or less or more would be uncertain. It is impossible to say how much loss of revenue a new assessment might occasion to Government, but it would certainly create charges, which it seems to me, require to be well considered and digested before a system is adopted, to which they are the necessary consequences. It therefore that I have done, has been to suggest the transfer of the tax now collected on the grain to the land, with one or two slight modifications where they appeared obviously and imperatively called for. I believe that a Revenue Survey has just been completed on the Neilgherry Hills under a Scientific Officer of the Engineers, and that similar surveys are being carried on in Bombay

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with most beneficial results. If a survey is decided on and the means are available, it seems desirable that similar advantages should be extended to these Hills.

105. I have already noticed that I conceive the whole area of the Hills under Circar Management is not less than 127 square Miles. In the Survey Report the Virupatchy Hills are stated to cover an area of 90 square Miles, and I do not think the Pandigoody Hills can be much less than 70 square Miles, Thus leaving an area of 270 square Miles for the three villages on the higher range. For this large extent of territory, 127 square Miles, producing a revenue of above 7000 Rupees, the Sibbundy

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maintained consists of a Curnum for each of the 3 villages of the Upper range, who receives Monthly Rupees 7; and one for each of the Hills of Tandegoody and Virupatchy, 2 Nalangans to each of the villages of Poombary and Vilpatty, 1 to that of Yettoor, and 3 to each of the Tandegoody and Virupatchy hills, who receive a Salary at the rate of 3 per cent of the Collections of their several villages. Tandals are also appointed to each of the villages of the Upper and Lower Ranges, receiving a percentage of 4 Rupees on the Collections of their villages

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106 It does not appear to me that this Establishment is sufficient, efficiently to secure the Revenues and protect the interests of the Government.

One Curnum cannot examine all the lands belonging to the 5 villages attached to the Virupatchy hills, which are situated from one another at the distances shown in the following Table.

No. XVIII

A Table shewing the distances between the 5 villages attached to the Virupatchy Hills—

Name of the Hamlets—	From Curbah to Hamlets	From the Hamlets to the Foot of the Hills
Curbah, Pareyoor		
Pantchaloor	1	1
Vadacaudoo	11	10
Cunnanore	9	2
Vennelloy	11	10

and each village has a large quantity of cultivated land attached to it, I would beg strongly to recommend that a second Curnum be attached to these villages and likewise one more to the village of Tandegoody, and

and also an additional one to the village of Poombary. I think too that it would be to the interest of Government to locate two Peuhkas on these Hills, the one on the Upper Range and the other on the lower, and that they be required to ascertain the resources of the Hills and see that the Curnums do not evade their duties. At present not a Peon is kept on the Hills. The Curnums are never on the Hills if they can get down to the plains, the manadies are therefore in fact as in name the lords of the soil, and the Police and Revenue duties devolve entirely on them, an utterly untaught and ignorant people. The evils arising from such a system I need not depict. I have reason to fear that the Manadies are far from exercising the power they are vested with, either for the good of the people or the benefit of the Government. Several instances of their misconduct have been brought to light, but without means of controlling or checking them, it is not surprising that they should prove tyrannical and unjust. The Villadars have already more than they could do, and the dislike the natives have to the climate of these elevated regions makes them avoid

avoid the Hills as much as possible. It is it with great difficulty that I could at first prevail on my own Cutcherry servants to accompany me to the villages, and though they now go up once or twice a year, it is with great reluctance, and they make every effort to get down again as soon as possible. It seems to me therefore, that two well paid and responsible servants with one or two Peons each would greatly tend to call out the energies of the Hill people, improve their condition and increase the revenue of Government, and if they could be vested with the powers of District Moonsiffs I would most strongly recommend such a measure. The Hill people are not a litigious people, their disputes are generally settled by arbitration among themselves, but it becomes a necessity to protect them from the exactions of false suits of the traders who frequent the Hills. To tell them to go to the Court or to submit to the jurisdictions of the Courts is to mock and ridicule them. They are unable to live long in the low Country the change of Climate immediately affects them, and they are unable to Cope with an astute

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trader, well versed in the technicalities of the Courts. They consequently become the dupes of any into whose hands they may fall, Their dread of the Court is very great and they would submit to any exaction rather then defend a suit. I would hope that an enlargement of mind and greater degree of civilization might tend to remove their fears; but to ensure this facility of intercourse with their neighbours is necessary, and for this purpose better roads are absolutely called for. The Government have authorized the outlay of 1200 Rupees to repair the ghauts, and measures are now being taken to carry out this benevolent intention. I would also request that the sum of Rupees 1,349-12-9 in the Talook treasuries of Ayen-gully and Tenkarai, being the amount of the sums formerly deducted from the Revenues of the Hill villages on account of Davastanum and kept in deposit until the final orders of the Board should have been received on that subject, may be expended in improving the

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the interior roads of those villages, from which the sums in deposit were collected. The motive of the Government in taking these Hills under Amany was chiefly philanthropical it was to rescue the people from the vexatious tyranny of the renters, and though doubtless an increase of revenue may have been anticipated, it was not the governing principle which led to the change. The Table appended to para. 46 shews that the Government have been gainers to no inconsiderable amount. I would therefore beg most strenuously, though at the same time with the utmost deference, to urge that this profit be foregone for a few years in order to place the means of communication with the plains in an efficient state, and that a road be opened from each village to the plains in the most direct line.

The following statement shews the villages and the amounts referred to.

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The amount of the sums deducted on account of Hill Documentations and roads in default in the Talook Treasury—

	Amount in default on account of Lamkan	Total	Remarks
1953	2.	94 2.	
54	2.	94 2.	
55	2.	151 2.	
56	2.	134 10.	No roads are in de-
57	2.	151 2.	fault for the villages
58	2.	211 10.	of Koodiakady and
59	2.	192 98	Hillpatty—
60	2.	230 7 1	
	2.	151 2.	
Total—	24	1319 12 9	

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No. XIX

The amount of the sums deducted on account of Hill Documentations and roads in default in the Talook Treasury—

	Amount in default on account of Lamkan	Total	Remarks
Thirty—	Amount in default on account of Lamkan—	6 Pys 8 Fs 6 Pr a 8	
		6 Pys 8 Fs 6 Pr a 8	
1953	" "	94 2.	
54	" "	94 2.	
55	5½ "	94 2.	
56	5½ "	94 2.	
57	43 8.	94 2.	
58	5½ "	94 2.	
59	5½ "	94 2.	
60	5½ "	94 2.	
	5½ "	94 2.	
Total—	24 4 9	385 8.	453.

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107 I would also beg leave to bring to your notice that at the Kodaikanal station, above 6 Miles of public roads have been made by private funds contributed by the larger portion of the residents on the Hills, that there also exists an old road of about a mile made though the woods by the Missionaries, and to request that, it should it meet with your approval, sanction be solicited to spend in improving and keeping up these and other roads required for the use of the settlement, the funds raised by the sale and rent of the lands sold for building leases—

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No. XX

Account Particular shewing the parties by whom land is held at the Kodai Kannel settlement on the Pulney Hills under the Government orders of 3d. June and 31st. August 1852, and the amount of quitrent annually payable by them—

No.	Names	No. of Plots	Extent of land held by each			Quit rent per Annum			Remarks
			Cawny	Ground	Feet				
1	Mr. C. R. Baynes	1							
2	Mr. R. D. Parker	1	7	8	318	8	4	5	
3	T. Clarke Esqre	1	15	9	1185	12	1	11	
4	Capt. W. H. Horsly	1	13	11	1687	11	3	4	
5	Mr. C. S. Shelton on behalf of the American Board of Missions	3	8	6	2260	8	11	8	
			8	11	2100	18	5	11	
6	Major J. H. Pantridge Bombay Army	1	8		1802	8	9	8	8 years rent for the purchase money gives a further sum of Rupees 538—7—4—
	Total	7	61		2152	67	1	11	

Dindigul,
10th. May 1853

(Signed) T. Clarke
Sub Collector

(True Copy)
(Signed) R. D. Parker
Collector

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Memo of Taxe for the Pulney Hills for Fusly 1252 submitted by Mr. I. Blackburne doing duty for the Sub Collector to the Principal Collector on the 6th. September 1843.

Assessment per Gooly

			Pons	C. Fs.	Rs.	a	p
Nunjah	Nunjah Garden	Plantains	1	"	2	2	.
		Turmeric	1	"	2	2	.
		Ginger	"	6	1	4	4
	Paddy		"	4	"	13	7
Poonjah	Poonjah Garden	Tobacco	1	"	2	2	.
		Garlic					
		Wheat fine					
		Do. Coarse					
		Dill seed					
		Mustard					
		Thanay or Millet	"	6	1	4	4
		Mochay					
		Yeavady Verai					
		Raggy					
		Shamay	"	2	"	6	9
	Poonjah	Wheat Coarse	"	4	"	13	7
		Raggy Mixed with other Grains	"	1	"	3	5

Madura, 11th. July 1845. / Signed / J. Blackburne Pl. Coll.

/ True Copy /

Madura, 23d. March 1854. / Signed / R. D. Parker Collector

RH.

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B. No. 1047.

No. 210.

Proceedings thereon.

Forwarding with the Board's observations Copy of a letter from the Sub Collector of Madura reporting on the assessment of the Pulney Hills, and calling upon the Collector for information as to what measures have been finally adopted for the better preservation of the Timber on these Hills

Mr. Clarke in his full and valuable report gives a very interesting account of the topography, climate and revenue administration of these Hills. The Chief aim of his observations being an endeavour to remedy the defects in the present mode of levying the land revenue, he points out that the taxe is high in comparison with that imposed on similar localities, that it is demanded upon the produce and not on the land itself, and that the same rates obtain both on the Upper and Lower Ranges, which are shewn to differ in so material a degree in their climate, soil and capability in the disposal of the produce raised.—

2. It is unnecessary to discuss severally the different subjects brought to notice by Mr. Clarke. His report will be referred to as a valuable aid in conducting the scientific survey and assessment to which both he, and the Collector, would defer any permanent remedial measures. The Board will now only consider the modifications in the assessment which the Sub Collector proposes shall have immediate effect. They are concurred in

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in by the Collector, and are as follows.—

1st That the present rate for Nunjah in the Upper Range, 13. a 7 p per Gooly be continued on the land without reference to the Produce.

2d That the tax upon Vamjyre or the cultivation of the Plantain, now yielding but a small revenue be abolished.

3d That Tobacco be rated at 1-4-4 per Gooly the uniform tax on all Garden lands.—

4th That the Poonjah tax be 2 fanams per Gooly for land ploughed, and one fanam for Punum or land cultivated by the hoe.—

3. For the Lower Range it is proposed that Turmeric and Ginger, which at present, though grown on Poonjah lands pay Vamjyre thereon was of 2-2- and 1-4-4 respectively, shall in future be charged the Poonjah tax 1-5 per cawnie; thus abolishing all garden tax in the Lower Range.—

1st That the Poonjah lands which are described as rich and producing fine Crops, be uniformly taxed at the rate of 3 fanams per Gooly or 1-5 per Cawnie.—

2 That Cardamoms planted in kanul be rent free for 5 years and afterwards paying from

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from 5 to 10 fanams per Gooly, the right of wood being reserved to the Government.—

4 If the rates which the Collector recommends for adoption be sanctioned, the future assessment on these Hills is shown in the abstract given in Para: 26 of the Collectors Letter.

	Upper Range—				Lower Range—			
	Fl.	Rs.	a	P	Fl.	Rs.	a	P
Nunjah per Gooly	4	"	13	7	4	"	13	7
Poonjah	2	"	6	9	3	"	10	2
Punum	1	"	3	5	1	"	3	5
Garden	6	1	4	4	10	2	2	"
Plantains	"	"	"	"	10	2	2	"

Cardamoms— Five years free after which from 5 to 10 fanams per Gooly.—

5. The Board do not understand why Garden should not be abolished in the Upper Range as in the Lower, unless there is a difference in the soil with other advantages supposing such not to exist, they are of opinion that the distinction of Products, including Tobacco should be abandoned in the Upper Range and that Cardamoms should on the same principal be liable to the fixed Poonjah rate. The Board would wish the Collector to take this suggestion into consideration, and whether it

it would not be desirable to modify in the same way the special tax on Plantains—

6— The modification suggested by the Board is the abolition of Garden in the Upper Range, and the substitution of the fixed Poonjah rate for the proposed distinctive tax on Cardamoms

7— The inadequacy of the establishment is next noticed, and the Board think that it is satisfactorily shewn, that the present strength of the Hill Sibbendy is insufficient for the correct discharge of the duties devolving upon it— They would support therefore the proposed addition of one Curnum to each of the Villages of Poombarai, Virapatchee and Tandicoody, together with the appointment of two Peshcars for the entire Range on a salary of 35 Rupees monthly, to be vested with the powers of Police Auneens—

8— The subject of Roads and the improvement of the internal communications will be considered in the D. P. W. which will be furnished with copy of the remarks of the local Officers on this head—

9— The Board will only remark, that it is not clear how any sum on account of Hill

From Sub Collector Para 106
From Collector Para 33

Hill Devastanums should be in deposit in the Talook Treasury— on the receipt of the Board's Proceedings 17th November 1857 it should have been carried to Ayen account, which should now be done:—

10— The Board fully recognize the importance of introducing a small Educational establishment on these Hills. They had hoped that the American Board of Missions, who, it is observed have property upon them, might have taken some steps towards this end, and will be glad to receive a report from the Collector on the subject generally, with his opinion as to whether, if suitable aid from Government is afforded, the operations of that body on the Hills can be rendered effective for the object in view. If by means of an allowance from the State in the manner suggested, the instruction of the Hill People can be secured, the Board will be prepared to lay the subject before Government for their consideration—

From Sub Coll.r Para 107

11— With reference to Para 93 of the report of the Sub Collector, the Board would wish to be informed what measures have been finally adopted for the better preservation of the Timber on these Hills— While full encouragement is given to the extension of cultivation, care should be taken that wood is not cut down in a reckless and indiscriminate way—

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing Extract be submitted to Government and a transcript of the same be furnished to the Collector of Madura—

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B. No. 1205.—

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Tabular Report of lapse of

22d May 1854.

Enams in the

Case No.	Talook and Village Extent and value of the entire Enam	When and by whom granted Name of the Original Grantee	Nature of the Grant Hereditary Service Honorary Nature of the duty prescribed by the Grant	Name of the last Date of his decease the relationship he stood to the original Grant	Recommendation of the Board of Revenue Decision of Government
1	2	3	4	5	9 10
Brama-doyem Enam	Shevagungah Zemindary Tirpatore Talook Mahipolemputty Village, 2256 Cheys or 2. 10 3/16 Cawnies of land / Nunjah / yielding annually at the Village average, 19 Cullums of produce valued at 19 Rupees, and paying a Quit Rent to the Zemindar of Rs 7- a 14 - " P 1/4 Cullums of Paddy as Colavettoo or fee for Tank Repair, valued at Rs 1 As 5 P 6 per chey.—	Date of the Grant is not known - In the Enam account of Doormooty 1221 Fly - 12th the name of the Original Grantee is entered as Ramiah. No document is forthcoming in support of the Grant.— The name of Reya Bhutter Soobiah is entered in the account of 1221 and the Villagers say he was the original Grantee	For subsistence. In the Settlement account the Enam is entered Bhuttavitty	Vengoovien and sons of Soobien=ed in Columns died / dale unknown 12 years ago.—	er the on the ground Jahib Meerah ined lea cannot the affects king to th the airs, for ar gives ing the a large will t to ing ction

Madura

12th April 1854

7332 Fort St. George 22. May 1854

B. No. 1051.

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Remarks thereon—

The Board concur in the propriety of the Collr's Recommendation for the resumption of this Concession—

To

7333 Fort St. George 22 May 1854.

No. 77/54.

To W. H. Bayley Esqr.
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

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B. No. 1420

From the Collector of Madura—

Sir

Para 1 I would respectfully submit to the consideration of the Board whether reasons do not exist for an application to Government to remove the prohibition imposed by their orders of the 30th August 1853 against the extension to Gharees and similar Wells of the exemption from Increased taxation accorded by the Honorable Court of Directors to new Wells in general.—

Submits for the consideration of the Board certain reasons which exist for an application to Government to remove the prohibition imposed by their orders of the 30th August 1853 against the extensions to Gharees and similar Wells of the exemption from Increased taxation accorded by the Honorable Court of Directors to new wells in general

2 In the first place it may be argued in their favr. that though the expence in the first instance may not be large, yet the labour has to be repeated, in a great measure, year by year.—

3 In the Second place, the prohibition affects chiefly poor Ryots who have little Capital but their own labour, and whose industry it seems desirable to stimulate rather than discourage.—

4 Thirdly. The digging of any well, however rude, is an additional Security against the effects of drought.—

Moreover

5 Wherever the restriction interferes with the simplicity of the arrangement. If it did not exist no scrutiny by the Talook servants would be necessary. Now each well must be looked at to determine whether or no it is a Gharee well and an opening is thus afforded for exaction and oppression.

6 Lastly and chiefly. It is announced by the Proceedings of the Board, dated the 25th November 1852, that the Ryots are to have the full benefit of their own improvements; and this order seems to imply that the Government would take no more than the yearly value originally fixed on the commodity they might make over to the Ryot (wet or dry land as the case might be) and leave him to make the most of it. As regards land in which a garden Crop is raised by means of Gharee well what it may be asked, has Government done to entitle it to more than the Punjah tax.[2] It has gone to no expense. It gave to the Ryot only dry land, and if it has become any thing more it is by the Ryots own exertions.—

Madura 28th April 1854.

(Signed) R. D. Parker
Collector

ordered

Ordered to be submitted to Government with the following letter.—

No. 208

To. The Chief Secretary to Government.

(36.37)
B. No. 1026.
To the Chief Secretary to Government.

Sir.

With reference to the concluding Para of the Board's Proceedings under date the 4th May 1854 I am desired to submit the following observations, relative to the subject brought forward in the accompanying letter from the Collector of Madura, on the extension to Gharee wells of the Honorable Court's late orders respecting improvements made at the ryots own expence.—

2 The letter from the Civil Engineer 6th Division, forwarded with the Board's Proceedings above noticed, bears upon the same question, and to which the Board would now request a reference.

dated 1st March & Col. 27th April 1854.

3 In the opinion of the Board Mr Parker forcibly represents the claims which the poorer ryots whose circumscribed means almost confine him to this mode of assisting the productive powers of his field possesses to

Transmitted 25th November 1854

to share in the Honorable Courts liberality.—

4 Garices wells are at present free from additional tax in the District of South Arcot, and the Collector deprecates the imposition of any assessment upon them. They are of a perishable nature requiring renewal at intervals varying in different localities, and it is open to question, that when renewed, as they generally are, and thus made permanent they are not in justice entitled to exemption under the Courts orders.

From South Arcot 24 in Cor. 31st October 1853 To Govt. with Board's Proceedings 4th May 1854.

From Cuddapah 4th in Cor. 12 January 1854.

5 The few rupees annually or at short periods, spent on the Garices well by the poor ryot, might the Board think, be considered as his own "improvement" and is in reality a greater comparative expenditure of his capital, than the larger sum sunk in the more expensive undertaking of his richer neighbour.—

Para 4 Courts Dispatch 2d June 1852.

6 The Board would however urge as the main reason for granting the

granting the indulgence, that if ceded to Garices wells, the Courts orders will apply to every improvement undertaken at the ryots expense, and go forth unfettered by any condition, save that of prescribed vicinity to a public work of irrigation. The land tax will alone be demanded and no room will exist for official interference on the plea of enquiry as to the nature of the well upon which exemption is claimed.

7 The Board would therefore recommend that the orders of the Honorable Court may receive the largest construction, and that the restriction imposed by Extract Minutes of Consultation 30th August 1853 be removed.—

In Cor. 15 Sept. 1853

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
23d May 1854.

Signed B. Cunliffe
Sub Secretary in charge.

No. 30.

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B. No. 1293

From the Collector of Coimbatore—

To W. H. Bayley Esqr
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

Sir,

With reference to my letter

Ref letter of the 20th Ultimo, I have the honor to forward a Plan furnished by the Acting Civil Engineer, 7th Division, of the land applied for by Mr. Shaw, together with Copy of letter from Captain Ludlow dated 11th Instant on the preservation of wood on the Neilgherries.—

2 The actual extent of land applied for by Mr. Shaw exceeds that sanctioned by the Board in their Proceedings of the 16th February last, by about 101—21—32½ as particularized in the Margin

As per Plan		408	11 32½
As per Board's sanction			
Excess of Cawnies	}	306	14
Deficiency in the Plan		101	21 32½

I therefore request the Board's instruction whether I should grant 400 acres or 408 Cawnies of land to Mr. Shaw; and whether the wood within that limit are to be felled or only the underwood cleared.—

Coimbatore,
Collector's Office,
on Circuit Coonoor,
17th April 1854.

/Signed/ E. B. Thomas
Collector

No. 1
No. 212.

To.
E. B. Thomas Esqre.
Collector of Coimbatore.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward

the survey, called for by you of a piece of ground at Koolikul on the Neilgherries, applied for by Mr. Shaw.—

I take this opportunity in reply to your letter of the 20th Ultimo No. 80 of stating my opinion that such extensive clearings of Jungle, as those lately made on the Hills, must have a sensible effect in diminishing the amount of moisture and consequently the supply of the different streams which feed the larger rivers; and if this wholesale distruction of the woods is allowed to continue, the mischievous effects both upon the climate and irigation will I have no doubt, soon become apparent.—

I consider the extensive clearing of the wood lately made along the Coonoor Ghaut road, as a most serious inconvenience to the travelling public, and would strongly recommend that the Government

be

lee applied to, for authority to
prevent such proceedings in future.—

Civil Engineers Office,
7th Division.
Sreemoogay 11th April, 1854.

/Signed/ S. O. E. Ludlow.
Acting Civil Engineer
7th Division

/True Copy/
/Signed/ E B Thomas
Collector

38.39
Bd No: 1063.
Proceedings thereon/

No: 2 Plan.

The Board of Revenue observe that had the Collector in forwarding Mr Shaw's first application pointed out as clearly as subsequent enquiry has cleared and its locality, they would probably have rejected the application; but as his objections were not made till after he had given a general recommendation for the grant, the Board cannot recall their orders as communicated in their Proceedings of the 22d December 1853 and 16 February 1854.

2 The extent of land sanctioned by the Board, Viz 400 acres is that which should be given to Mr Shaw.—

3 The Collector is requested in

in forwarding future applications to state distinctly at the time whether the land is forest land or mere underwood and whether it may be given subject to conditions as respects the forest trees.—

No: 36

To
B. Cunliffe Esqre
Sub Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.
in Charge
Fort St. George.

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Bd No: 1067.
From the Collector of Canara—

Receives the proficiency in language required in the district with reference to Board's Circular dated 13th February 1854.—

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 4th Instant I have the honor to state that I have carefully perused the Board's Circular letter of the 13th February 1854.—

2 The circumstances of this district are most peculiar, Canarese Toolos, Malayalum and Conkany are its vernacular languages, and Hindoostanee is very generally understood. The best qualifications for a public officer are a correct knowledge of Canarese and a colloquial knowledge of Hindoostanee

and

and to the attainment of these the efforts of every young officer should be devoted. But if at the same time he is taking the part which he should do in the administration of the district and studying the Revenue system and the Regulations, I hold it to be impossible that he should at the same time study either Tamil or Telugoo.—

3 This places him at a disadvantage if the Knowledge of one of those languages is the only terms upon which he can obtain promotion in a district where they are spoken.—

4 I would therefore beg to recommend that young officers employed in this District be required to pass a full examination in Canarese. That as a second Language they should have the option between Hindoostanee and either Tamil or Telugoo which ever they learnt in College but that this be merely a Collegial examination to prove that they are either learning Hindoostanee or keeping up their knowledge of

of another vernacular language. I would also beg to suggest that when a young officer from this district is entitled by his standing to promotion in another district the passing in the language of that district should not be a pre requisite but that he be allowed a year to acquire the language.—

5 Considering the standing in the service of Messrs. Chamier and Chase and the full occupation which their current duties give them, and these are almost incessant, I think that a good practical Knowledge of Canarese and colloquial Knowledge of Tamil, Telugoo or Hindoostanee, is all that they can well acquire without a suspension of their public duties.—

Collectors Cutcherry, On circuit Agrumtah, 13th May 1854. } Signed T. N. Maltby Collector

Order thereon (40 41) Ordered to lie over

No. 38.

(42)

To The Secretary to the Board of Revenue Fort St. George

Sir

In case the Government take

B. No. 1512.

From the Collector Malabar

+ In reference to Extract from the Board's Proceedings dated 24th April 1854.

take on themselves the administration of the Bebies' Laccadive Islands it will be needful to entertain an Establishment of a nature similar to that entertained by the Collector of Canara for the Islands attached to that District.—

I will communicate with Mr. Mallby on the subject.—

Malabar Collector's Office
Calicut
3d May 1854.
Signed W. V. Connolly
Collector

B/ No. 1076 Proceedings thereon (42-46)

On receipt of the reply to the reference which Mr. Connolly has made to the Collector of Canara, he will submit the report for in the Board's Proceedings of 24th April 1854. He will also include in his report the information called for in Extract Minutes consultation 16th May 1854 No. 546.—

No. 44

To B. Bunliffe Esqre.
Asst Secretary to the
Board of Revenue in charge
Fort St. George

Sir,

(44)
B/ No. 1693
From the Collector of Malabar

With reference to your Circular of the 28th April last pointing out in the abstract Statement which accompanied it a difference of Rs. 2+1 and Rupees 136 8 3 I have the honor to state that the former is the amount of Salt charges refunded and credited to the Head of "Refunds of Revenue charges" and the latter is the amount of Repairs of Salt Gollahs debited to the Head of "Repairs of Revenue Buildings" under instruction from the accountant General and therefore not entered in the accounts forwarded to that Officer as Salt Receipts and Charges.—

Calicut.—
17th Aug. 1854
Signed W. V. Connolly
Collector

Order thereon (44-45)

Ordered to be over.—

To.

No. 54

To W. H. Bayley Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir,

(46)
B/ No. 995
From the acting Collector of Madras—

In the 2d Para of the Extract from the Board's Proceedings dated 4th July last the Board desired a separate Communication shewing the origin of the system now in operation, and the advantages expected from the change proposed by me in my letter of the 2d June namely of allowing the arrack Shops to remain at the close of the Fasly without being put up to Competition, in the hands of the present Venders in all cases where they are willing to retain them on the same terms, and their Conduct has been good, I have now the honor to supply the information required.

2 The present practice as described in Para 4th of Mr. Robertson's letter dated 7th March 1835 appears to have Continued un-changed from 1830, and to have originated

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long before that time though somewhat defficient in some respects -

3 The leading features in the system and the advantages anticipated in the change I would propose to introduce are these -

4 All the shops are now put up for sale before the Commencement of the Fusly - The bids are expressed in the quantity of spirits engaged to be taken daily from Government - security for the fulfilment of this Contract however, is only taken for 10 days - The renders frequently take much more than the stipulated quantity of liquor, so that the Revenue is in no respect paid by the annual auction, but varies with the daily Consumption, provided however that when the Consumption falls below the Doule for ten days, the shop is Resold - The Collections from the arrack shops in the Current Fusly to the 28th Instant, are in excess of those of the preceding year by

by 36,000 Rupees, and in Excess of the Doule or sum settled at the annual auction by 28,000 Rupees.

5 Now it appears to me that the annual exposure of all the shops to Competion is in no wise necessary for the security of the Revenue - It seems to offer a last Remedy in case of any apparent Combination among the Venders to Keep down the Doule and to sell Contraband spirits - But I very much question whether even for this purpose it Can prove very effectual - The objection to it is, that it affords scope for the exercise of the spirit of gambling and Rivalry which is so prevalent among the class in question - In order to get into the trade or to oust a Rival, a man may overbid the old shop Keeper Considerably and then trust to his success in encouraging intoxication to make his speculation pay - The Revenue from the sale of arrack in these limits has already attained a height which it is fearful to Contemplate, and I would therefore studiously avoid all measures which

Rs A. P.
July 1259 - 33,61,92-8-9
1260 - 30,73,70-4-..
1261 - 31,03,79-14-2
1262 - 33,20,31-15-1

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which might act as a stimulus on the trade.
6 It seems on other grounds desirable
that neither the site of the shops nor the shop
Keepers should be subject to an annual
Change. All who fail of their engagements,
and all who are detected in malpractices,
lose their licences at once. But there seems no
Reason why others who are willing to continue
should stand the ordeal of an annual
general auction.

I have the opportunity of sub-
-mitting for the orders of the Board Copy of
a Correspondence with the Superintendent
of Police at the Mount. I see no objection
to a Compliance with his Recommendation
that the sale of the Arrack and Toddy
Licenses in that Cantonment be kept forth
Conducted thro' him, and security taken for
fulfilment of the Contract for one year.
Captain Smith appears to be under the
impression that act XVIII of 1853 would
be in force in St. Thomé's Mount. But

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I presume that his interpretation is
barred by Section XI act XIX of 1852.

Madras —
30th March 1854. } (Signed) H. Stokes
Acting Collector.

No. 444

To The Collector of
Madras

Sir,

With reference to your notice of
the 3d. Instant, I am under the impression
that it would be advisable to put up all
the Arrack and Toddy Shops situated within
the Military limits of this Cantonment to
public Competition at the Police office at
this station, on the same terms as the Contractors
at the Mount, if you have no objection. I will
make the satisfactory arrangements with the
Contractors, for their Continuance, until the
end of the Fasly, and the Contract will be
given to the highest bidder who may be fit
persons of decent Characters, on their furnishing
me with the Required Security for fulfilling
the

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the terms of their engagement, which would save trouble and great inconvenience, experienced in this Office by Constant Reference and Registering the Renters Vcds. Vcds. and also, prevent their relinquishing the Contract whenever they choose during the year; should you be of the same opinion, I shall feel obliged by your giving the necessary instructions.

St. Thomas' Mount
5th December 1853

(Signed) C. L. Smith
Supt. of Police

To The Superintendent of Police
St. Thomas' Mount.

Sir,

In Reply to your letter of the 5th Instant, I have the honor to observe that to Comply with your suggestion would involve a greater change in the Arrakary arrangements than I feel at liberty to adopt without the sanction of the Revenue Board. The proposition may however be laid before them for Consideration before the Farms are let for the ensuing fasly.

Madras
6th December 1853

(Signed) H. Stokes
Acting Collector

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No. 42

To The Collector of
Madras

Sir,

I deem it expedient to bring to your notice that since the Arrack and Toddy shops have been put up to public Competition in this Cantonment, good order and regularity has been the result, the Contractors in particular observe the rules of their Contract, and few cases of drunkenness have in Consequence been Committed. I am of opinion that this has entirely resulted from binding the Contractors over by a heavy Security, viz. 500 Rs., to Keep up the Contract until the expiration of the present fasly. and to preserve the Local Regulations, I beg to suggest that the same method may be always adopted, as I Could have many opportunities of personally rejecting men of bad Character and Ill offenders from bidding at public auction at the Police office at this Station, and to issue a special licence to fit persons of decent Characters, under

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under such Reputation to enable me to
maintain discipline in this Cantonment
under the provisions of act No. XVIII of 1852
Should you consider it expedient to obtain
the sanction of the Revenue Board to what
I have suggested, I Request you will have
the goodness to point out the merits of the case
and favor me with a Reply as soon as
Convenient.

Lt. Thomas' Mount
27th March 1854

(Signed) C. L. Smith
Supt. of Police

(True Copies)
(Signed) H. St. Res
Acting Collector

No. 88

(47)

To W. H. Bayley Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir,

B. R. 16.5.1.

From the Acting Collector
of Madras

To B. 30th March 1854

In the event of my Recommendation to dispense with the annual general publication of Arrack Shops not being adopted, I have the honor to request the authority of the Board to publish the annexed Notification in the enclosed form which was

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was sanctioned last year for renting the
Arrack Shops of this Collectorate for the
ensuing Fasly 1264
1854-55

Madras
17th May 1854

(Signed) H. St. Res
Acting Collector

Notice is hereby given that the
Right of Retailing Chunam and Puttu
Arrack in the Established number of Shops
within the Jurisdictionary limits of the Collectorate
of Madras, and of Retailing only Puttu
Arrack within the Cantonment of Saint
Thomas' Mount and Palaveram respectively
for Fasly 1264 or from 12th July 1854
to 11th July 1855, both days inclusive, is pro-
posed to be put up by Public auction
in the office of the Collector of Madras,
from Wednesday the 28th June 1854 at
11 o'Clock A. M and will be given
to the highest bidders.

2 Tenders for Arrack Shops on Rent
should state the number of the Shops and the
sum at which it is proposed to take each Shop
Tenders should be delivered at the Madras
Collector's

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Collectors Cutcherry either personally or through the Post Office post paid, on or before the 28th. Proximo -

3 The successful bidders will have to make the Customary deposit of 10 days double

4 All venders of arrack and Toddy within the limits of the Supreme Court, will have to take out the Licenses provided for by act XIX of 1852, to adhere to the Rules therein prescribed for their guidance, as well as those in the Police Regulations -

5 The arrangements made at auction will be subject to the Confirmation of the Board of Revenue -

Madras

By order of the Board of Revenue
(Signed) H. Stokes
Acting Collector

(46.48)
B. Re. 1041

Proceedings thereon - The Board of Revenue approve of the Suggestion of the acting Collector not to put up the arrack shops to public Competition

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Competition as heretofore, and authorize his carrying out the arrangement proposed by him, experimentally for the present. If the new system be found to work well, the Board will confirm it hereafter -

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(49)
B. Re. 1528.

To The Secretary
to the Board of Revenue

From the Supt. of Stamps

Sir

I have the honor to submit a statement shewing the particulars of the Proposals Received by me for the supply of the several articles Required for the use of this office, pursuant to the Notifications published in the Official Gazette of the 7th Instant -

The Tenders of P. Varoo No. 1 is the lowest, and Request that you will be good enough to obtain the sanction of the Board for my entering into a Contract with him for a period of Two years, Commencing from the 15th Instant upon his producing adequate Security for the fulfilment of the same -

Fort St. George - -
General Stamps Office
6th May 1854 - -

(Signed) R. J. Porter
Supt. of Stamps

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Fort St. George 22nd May 1854.

List of Sealed proposals received for the supply of the undermentioned articles for the use of the General Stamp Office.

Names	Date	Wooden Chests 1st Size	Wooden Chest 2d Size	Wooden Chest 3d Size	Wax Cloth of 44 Cubits 2d Sort	Gunny per Piece	Tape per 100 Cubits	Coarse Country Paper per Quire	Gunny twine per Viss	Bengal twine per Viss	Mat per piece	Gunny Rope	Nails per Viss	Total
		Pcks a P	Pcks a P	Pcks a P	Pcks a P	Pcks a P	Pcks a P	Pcks a P	Pcks a P	Pcks a P	Pcks a P	Pcks a P	Pcks a P	
1 P. Vanoo	May 4th	2 4	1 10	1 7	2 3	3 8	12 6	3	4	6	2	25	2	9 11
2 T. Veerasawmy	Do 4th	2 8	2	1 12	2	23	10	3	4	8	16	3	6	10 9 9
3 Ruthnum	Do 4th	2 4	1 12	1 8	2 1	3	10	3	4 6	7 6	16	4	4	9 14 6
Present Contract		2	1 19	1 15	1 14	21	8	3	4	6 6	16	3	2	8 10 6

Fort St. George
General Stamp Office
6th May 1854.

/Signed/ R. T. Porter
Supt of Stamps

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49-50

Bd. No. 1060.
Proceedings thereon

Agreeably to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Stamps, the Board of Revenue sanction the acceptance, under the usual adequate security, of the tender of P. Vanoo No. 1, for the supply on contract of certain articles for the use of the General Stamp Office for a period of two years commencing from the 15th May 1854.

To the Secretary
to the
Board of Revenue

51

Bd. No. 1527
From the Supt. of Stamps

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit a Statement of the balance due to P. Appavoo Reddy for Paper and Cadjans supplied for the use of the Stamp Department amounting to Rupees Four hundred and seventy six, which

which I request you will be good enough to pass and return to this Office.

Fort St. George
General Stamp Office
8th May 1854

(Signed) R. T. Porter
Supt. of Stamps

51-52

Bd. No. 1061
Order thereon

Ordered that the Statement which accompanies the foregoing letter be passed and returned to the Superintendent of Stamps.

53

After
Bd. No. 1701
From the Supt. Gun Carriage Manufactory

Memorandum

Sent from the Gun Carriage Manufactory to the Board of Revenue, per Indent dated 6th and passed by the Military Board 9th March 1854.

Cross staves on Tripod stand with Brass Sights	No. 6
Do. " " " " without Brass Sights	" 3
Cross staves single legged, shod with Iron with Brass sights	" 3

Gun Carriage Manufactory
Madras 20th May 1854

(Signed) J. Maitland
Major
Supt. Gun Carriage
Manufactory

N. B. A receipt is requested.

Muster Cross staff herewith returned.

Ordered

Ordered that the following Memo be sent in consequence.-

53-54

Memorandum

Bd No. 1044.
To Captain Priestly in Charge of the Revenue Survey Cuddalore } The Sub Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to inform Captain Priestly that the undermentioned articles have this day been despatched to his address by a Cooly who has been paid his full-

Cross Staves on Tripod Stand with Brass sights } No. 5

Do - - - - - - - - - without Brass sights " 3

Cross Staves single Egged, shod with Iron with Brass sights " 3

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
22d May 1854 } (Signed) B. Cunliffe
Sub Secretary

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Resolved that the following letters be despatched.-

No. 213

To the Chief Secretary to Government.

55

Bd No. 1069.
To the Chief Secretary to Government } I am directed by the Board of Revenue to forward for transmission to the Honorable the Court of Directors, the Broken Set of the Proceedings of the Commissioner in the Northern Circars for the Month of February 1854.-

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George.
22d May 1854 — } (Signed) B. Cunliffe
Sub Secretary in Charge

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Fort St George 22nd May 1854.

No. 212

56

Bd No. 1068
To the Chief Secy to Government

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

In reference to the orders of the Honorable Court, conveyed in Extract Minutes Consultation 29th July 1852, I am desired by the Board of Revenue to forward for the favorable consideration of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying Endorsement of the Collector of South Arcot, on Petition No 2373 of 1852, recommending a reduction in the assessment of a certain extent of land lying under the two Tanks of the Village of Balagoolum.-

2 Under the circumstances stated by the Collector, the Board request that sanction may be given for reducing the 3-33/100 of 1st Class Nunjah land from P. 8 As 2 to Class 3 at P. 6 per Cawney, and they would at the same time request authority from Government to issue orders for reducing the assessment wherever as in this case, individual instances are clearly shewn to require it.-

Rev. Bd Office Fort St George
22nd May 1854

(Signed) B. Cunliffe
Sub Secy in Charge

To

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To The Agent to the Governor of Fort St George at Kurnool.

57

Bd No. 1064

To The Agent to the Governor of Fort St George at Kurnool.

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue again to request that you will forward without delay the Demand Collection and Balance Statements of your District for the months of February and March last.-

In consequence of the non-receipt of these Statements the Board have been unable to submit their General Statements to Government for the months referred to. They will therefore be compelled to bring this circumstance also to the notice of Government, if the returns are not transmitted forthwith.-

Revenue Board Office
Fort St George.
22nd May 1854 - - -

(Signed) B Cunliffe
Sub Secretary in Charge

To

To
The Collector of
Canara

(58)

Bd No 1059

Sir,

To the Collector of
Canara - - -

In Cont 11th May 1854.

With reference to your letter dated 1st May 1854 - I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that you will be good enough to explain what is the "Berij or Salt prans" alluded to in the Statement annexed to the answer to Query 12

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St George,
22nd May 1854 - -

Signed B. Cunliffe
Sub Secretary
in Charge

To

To
The Civil Auditor

(59)

Bd No 1050

Sir,

To The Civil Auditor. With reference to the notification from your Office dated 1st May 1854, published in the Fort Saint George Gazette of the 5th Idem, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to transmit a detailed List of their Establishment as it stood on the 30th April and a Memorandum of Contingent Charges from 1st May 1853 to 30th April 1854 --

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St George,
22nd May 1854 - -

Signed B. Cunliffe
Sub Secretary
in Charge

Statement

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Fort St George 22nd May 1854

Statement shewing the detailed List of Establishment of the Board of Revenue as it stood on the 30th April 1854

Date of entertainment on the Board's Establishment	Names	Age of Individuals entertained subsequent to 11th September 1848 made up to 30th April 1854	Employ	Monthly Pay	Total
				Rs a p	Rs a p
16th September 1845	Mr John Maskell		Manager Rupees 245		
			Personal allowance 55	300 - -	
1st July 1848	Mr J. D. Jordon		Uncovenanted Assistant	200 - -	
17th January 1853	Mr W Grant	34 5	Dº ——— Dº ———	200 - -	
13th September 1850	Mr J Taylor	32 2	Deputy Manager	125 - -	
1st June 1851	Mr Thomas Houghton	31 9	Indexer	120 - -	
27th August 1841	Mr F. Rencontre		Assistant Manager	100 - -	
January 1831	B. Venkatanursoo Row		Dº ——— Dº ———	87 8 -	
1st August 1826	J. Kistna Row		Record keeper	100 - -	
February 1815	C. Kistnasawmy Bramin		Accountant	100 - -	
21st August 1850	Mr John McCarthy		Petition Register & Translator	75 - -	
February 1837	T. Streenevasah Pillay		Deputy Dº	60 - -	1,467 8 -
From 1815 to 1819 & from Septr 1833	Mr R. Newbigging		Examiner (not classified)	140 - -	
1st May 1848	Mr G. Gompertz		——— Dº ———	120 - -	
15th February 1836	Mr D. Giels		——— Dº ———	80 - -	
1st April 1830	Mr J. G. Boyce		——— Dº ———	80 - -	
1st July 1850	Mr F. D. Gager	30 1	——— Dº ———	70 - -	
1st May 1845	Mr R. H. Lyons		——— Dº ———	70 - -	560 - -
August 1822	C. Parthasarathee Naidoo		I Class Clerk	55 - -	
October 1833	D. Nynaappah Moodelly		——— Dº ———	55 - -	
1st July 1837	C. Soondaricah Bramin		——— Dº ———	55 - -	
16th November 1837	C. Soobaroy Chitty		——— Dº ———	55 - -	
1st July 1837	P. V. Kistna Row		——— Dº ———	50 - -	
15th February 1836	Mr Jas Ritchie		——— Dº ———	50 - -	
1st October 1834	P. S. Soobramanyah Moodelly		II ——— Dº ———	45 - -	
1st May 1829	T. Ramasawmy Pillay		——— Dº ———	45 - -	
1st September 1848	Mr C. Burton		——— Dº ———	45 - -	
18th October 1851	Mr F. B. Pedroza		——— Dº ———	45 - -	
20th April 1852	Mr W. P. Williams	25 1	——— Dº ———	45 - -	
			Carried forward	545 - -	2,027 8 -

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Date of entertainment on the Board's Establishment	Names	Age of Individuals entertained subsequent to 11th September 1848 made up to 30th of June 1854	Employ	Monthly Pay	Total
			Brought over	545 - -	2,027 8 -
September 1824	Mr H.E. Boyle		II Class Clerk	40 - -	
27th September 1837	I. Patchapah Moodelly		Do	40 - -	
15th October 1835	V. Parthasarady Braminy		Do	40 - -	
17th October 1849	Mr E. Robinson		Do	40 - -	
October 1833	C. Venkatachellum Chitty	27 . 5	Do	40 - -	
15th March 1854	V. Ponnambalum		Do	40 - -	
August 1819	V. Veerasawmy Braminy	24 -	Do (not Classified)	40 - -	
July 1832	I. Appasawmy Chitty		III Do	35 - -	
1st July 1837	C. Ramachendriah Braminy		Do	35 - -	
1st November 1823	V. Tolasingum		Do	35 - -	
March 1836	Mr W. Wicher		Do	35 - -	
24th December 1850	Meergy Veerlabdeen		Do	35 - -	
1st November 1851	Soodershna Row		Do	30 - -	
1st July 1837	C. Govindoo Moodelly		Do	30 - -	
1st July 1837	Mr J. D'Costa		Do	30 - -	
1st November 1852	Mr James Swinglehurst		Do	30 - -	
22nd October 1851	Mr J. Duarte		Do	30 - -	
18th December 1846	K. Veerasawmy Naidoo		Do	30 - -	
16th March 1836	A. Ponnasawmy Moodelly		(Not Classified)	30 - -	
March 1837	Mr A. Ritchie		I Class Copyist	25 - -	
13th May 1840	S. Ponnapullay		Do	25 - -	
December 1836	Mr M Vaniek		Do	25 - -	
18th January 1837	M. Arunasawmy Moodelly		Do	25 - -	
1st July 1837	N. Parthasarady Naidoo		Do	25 - -	
15th July 1836	S. Veerasawmy Moodelly		Do	25 - -	
15th February 1837	B. Parthasarady Naidoo		Do	25 - -	
27th June 1839	Mr R Davis		Do	25 - -	
15th March 1854	Mr F. D. Lincoln		Do	25 - -	
March 1836	I. Kistniah Braminy		Do	25 - -	
2nd July 1850	I. Arnoorthy Pillay		Do	20 - -	
1st July 1837	I. Balakistnamah Moodelly		Do	20 - -	
Do	M. Soola Row		Do	20 - -	
Do	I. Arunasawmy Pillay		Do	20 - -	
From 13th September 1842 to 31st January 1843 & 1st September 1843	C. Sooryanarainiah Braminy		Do	20 - -	
1st July 1837	A. Veerasawmy Moodelly		Do	20 - -	
			Carried forward	1570 - -	2027 8 -

Fort St George 22nd May 1854

Date of entertainment on the Board's Establishment	Names	Age of Individuals entertained subsequent to 11th Septr 1848 made up to 30th April 1854		Employ	Monthly Pay	Total
				Brought Over	1570	2027 8 ..
1st July 1837	M. Venkat Row			I Class Copyist	20	
1st July 1837	M. Bala Kistnamah Naidoo			D°	20	
1st July 1837	P. Moonesappah Modelly			D°	20	
11th January 1838	R. Ellasparang			D°	20	
1st July 1837	C. Casavalo Naidoo			D°	20	
1st July 1837	M. Sabapathy Modelly			(Writer Class of Cost)	20	
1st September 1847	T. Venkatachellem Modelly			D°	20	
1st July 1837	P. Ramasawmy Modelly			II Class Copyist	17 8 ..	
1st July 1837	B. Ammuntaghurry Row			D°	17 8 ..	
26th May 1841	A Cunnyah Pillay			D°	17 8 ..	
28th March 1844	P.V. Rogavalo Naidoo			D°	17 8 ..	
4th February 1842	S. Chinnaiah Modelly			D°	17 8 ..	
13th June 1839	M. Venkatarungum Chitty			D°	17 8 ..	
12th September 1853	Mr J. Abraham			D°	17 8 ..	
4th October 1839	D. Audemarainah Bramminy			D°	17 8 ..	
23rd July 1841	P. Arnoogum Pillay			D°	12 8 ..	
October 1840	T. Teroomull Row			D°	15	
From 19th January 1842 to 31st January 1843 From 1st July 1843	C. Sabapathee Pilly			D°	15	
1st July 1837	C. Chengovaram			D°	15	
6th February 1847	C. Ramanoojum			D°	15	
1st January 1850	Mr W.E. Newbigging	22	7	D°	15	
13th April 1848	Paroomall Rauj			D°	15	
From 23rd November 1843 to 31st January 1843 & from 1st January 1844	C. Kuppanny			D°	15	
May 1845	C. Mattoosawmy Modelly			D°	15	
15th March 1854	Mr J Brock	18	10	D°	15	
21st February 1847	T. Saravanum Modelly			D°	15	
21st July 1839	A Ramanjah Bramminy			III D°	12	
1st April 1850	T. Vurdapillay	34	..	D°	12	
9th April 1850	A Mardoo Kistna Pillay	30	..	D°	12	
3rd September 1850	D. Ramanoojum Naidoo	34	8	D°	12	
7th March 1851	T. Lodogopanna Naidoo	34	..	D°	12	
1st April 1851	Mr A Giels	22	..	D°	12	
				Carried forward	2087	2027 8 ..

22nd February 1836	P. Rangum	Writer	16	12 -
19th April 1845	P. Iyen Moodelly	Do	25	- -
Do	C. Durmaroya Moodelly	Do	9	3 10
Do	I. Saveatombee Moodelly	Do	8	2 3
11th September 1847	P. Kistnaeah Brahmany	Deputy Manager	63	- -
27th September 1848	Mr F. Rencontre	Senior Uncovenanted Assistant Manager	307	8 -
28th June 1850	P. Venkatakistnaeah Brahmany	Writer	20	- -
20th April 1852	Mr M Baldeus	Clerk	10	- -
21st June 1852	C. Shunmogeroya Moodelly	First Class clerk	24	- -
7th September 1853	I. Seroovengada Moodelly	Third Class clerk	16	- -
14th March 1854	Mr J. Ritchie	Examiner	52	- -
2nd August 1837	Rajah Row	Tahsildar and Head of Police North Arcot	32	9 3
		Total Company's Rupees	605	8 8

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22nd May 1854

(Signed) B. Cunliffe
Sub Secretary in Charge

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No 3

Contingent Charges incurred in the Office of the Board of Revenue from 1st May 1853 to 30th April 1854.

	Rs	a	p
Contingent Charges from 1st May 1853 to 30th April 1854	846	14	6

Revenue Board Office
Fort St George
22nd May 1854

(Signed) B. Cunliffe
Sub Secretary in Charge

Statement

7372

Fort St George 22nd May 1854

Statement shewing the detailed list of the native Establishment attached to the Board of Revenue as it stood on the 30th April 1854 -- No 4

Date of entertainment	Names	Age of Individuals entertained subsequent to 11th September 1848 made up to 30th April 1854	Employ	Monthly Pay	Total
				Rs a p	Rs a p
1st July 1822	Kunoy Narasinga Row		Head Sheristadar	800 - -	
24th February 1849	Royapah		Deputy Sheristadar	250 - -	1050 - -
23rd January 1840	A Kistna Row		Head Goomastah	90 - -	
1st November 1847	N. Ram Row		2nd Do	54 - -	
October 1851	Errageenta Shunker Row		Goomastah	53 - -	
1st September 1829	Canary Row		Do	48 - -	
27th June 1851	Ram Row	32 -	Do	42 - -	
6th December 1852	S. Seroomal Row		Do	42 - -	
22nd June 1849	Ram Row		Do	35 - -	
1st October 1845	Coopoo Row		Do	35 - -	
Do	Latchmen		Do	25 - -	
16th March 1847	Madra Row		Do	17 - -	
16th November 1848	Seroomul Row		Do	15 - -	
13th October 1851	Rageenath Row	18 "	Do	10 - -	466 - -
26th September 1850	Veneatachary	26 11	Translater	" - -	54 - -
	Narrain Row		Peon	7 - -	
	Rungapah		Do	7 - -	
	Narasaw		Do	7 - -	
	Shaik Moodeen		Do	7 - -	
	Ponnapah		Do	7 - -	
	Kistnamah		Do	7 - -	
	Rangiah		Do	7 - -	
	Gooroovappah		Do	7 - -	
	Paroomall		Duftar band	10 - -	56 - -
	S. Ramiah		Ink maker	7 - -	
	Govindoo		Masalgee	7 - -	
	Talasee		Sweeper	3 8 -	27 8 -
					1653 8 -

Deduct amount of Pay to be drawn at the Commissioner's Office of the following Individuals.-

Royapah	Deputy Sheristadar	250 - -	
Errageenta Shunker Row	Goomastah	53 - -	
Ram Row	Do	35 - -	338 - -
	Total Company's Rupees		1315 8 -

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St George,
22nd May 1854 - - -

(Signed) B. Cunliffe
Sub Secretary in charge
Contingent

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Fort St. George 22nd May 1854.

60

Bd. No. 1698.

Read the undermentioned Statements

From the Collector of Vizagapatam. Comparative Statement shewing the quantity of salt sold for Home and Inland consumption for the Official year ending 30th April 1854 from 1st May 1853.

61

Bd. No. 1697.

From the Collector of Masulipatam. Comparative statement shewing the quantity of salt sold for Home and Inland consumption for the Official years 1851/52, 1852/53, & 1853/54 respectively.

60-62

Order on the 2 abovemd. statements - Ordered to lie over -

63

Bd. No. 1364.

Read the undermentioned Statements

From the Collectors of Canara. Account Particular for contingent charges incurred in the Forest Department for Fusly 1262 -

64

Bd. No. 1397

From the Collector of Rajahmundry. Statement of Contingent charges incurred for the quarter ending 31st March last -

65

Bd. No. 1143.

From the Collector of Masulipatam. Statement of Contingent charges incurred for the quarter ending 31st March last -

66

Bd. No. 1544.

From the Collector of Chingleput. Statement of Contingent charges incurred for the quarter ending 31st March last -

From

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Fort St. George

Contingent Charges incurred in the Establishment attached to the Board of Revenue from 1st April 1853 to 30th April 1854 -

No. 5

Contingent Charges incurred from 1st April 1853 to 30th April 1854 ——— 41 8 -

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Rs. a p

(Signed) B. Cumcliffe
Sub Secretary in Charge

67
Bd. No. 1252.
From the Collectors of North Arcot. Statement of Contingent
Charges incurred for the quarter ending 31st
68 March last.-
Bd. No. 1436.
From the Collector of Trichinopoly. Statement of Contingent
Charges incurried for the quarter ending
69 31st March last.-
Bd. No. 1369.
From the Collector of Tinnevelly. Statement of Contingent
Charges incurred for the quarter ending 31st
70 March last.-
Bd. No. 1543.
From the Collector of Coimbatore. Statement of Contingent
Charges incurred for the quarter ending
63-71 31st March last.-
Order on the abovd. 8th Statements. Resolved that the
necessary orders be passed.-
72 Read the undermentioned Statements
Bd. No. 1675.
From the Collector of sea Customs Madras. Statement
of the value of Gold and Silver Bullion
and specie exported by sea for the month
of April last.

From

73
Bd. No. 1674.
From the Collector of sea Customs Madras.- Statement of the
value of Gold and Silver Bullion and specie
imported by sea for the Month of April last.-
72-74 Order on the abovd. Statements. Ordered to lie over.-
Read the undermentioned letters
75 and statements.-
Bd. No. 1685.
From the Collector of Masulipatam.- Statement shewing the quan-
-tity of Grain exported from the Port of his Dis-
-trict for the Week ending 13th May 1854.
76
Bd. No. 1684.
From the Collector of Masulipatam. Return of Paddy, Rice
& other Grain imported at the Port of his
77 District for the week ending 13th May 1854.
Bd. No. 1683.
From the Collector of Nellore. Reporting that there have
been no exports of Grain from the Ports of
78 his District for the week ending 15th May 1854.
Bd. No. 1682.
From the Collector of Nellore. Statement of Grain imported
into Ports of his District for the week
79 ending 15th May 1854.
Bd. No. 1681.
From the Collector of South Arcot. Statement of Grain
exported from the Ports of his District for
the week ending 13th May 1854.
80
Bd. No. 1680.
From the Collector of South Arcot. Statement of Grain
imported from the Ports of his District for
the week ending 13th May 1854.

From

87
Bd. No. 1679.
From the Collector of Tanjore. Statement Shewing the quantity of Grain exported for the week ending 10. May 1854

82
Bd. No. 1678.
From the Collector of Tanjore. Tabular Statement of Grain imported for the Week ending 10th May 1854.

83
Bd. No. 1670.
From the Collector of Madura. Return of Grain exported from the Ports of his District for the week ending 7th May 1854.-

84
Bd. No. 1671.
From the Collector of Madura. Return of Paddy, Rice &c imported at the Ports of his District for the week ending 8th May 1854.

85
Bd. No. 1686.
From the Collector of Tinnevelly.- Return of Paddy, Rice and other principal kinds of Grain exported from the several Ports of his District for the week ending 13th May 1854.

86
Bd. No. 1687.
From the Collector of Tinnevelly.- Reporting that there were no Imports whatever of Paddy or other principal kinds of Grain at the Ports of his District for the week ending 13th May 1854.

87
Bd. No. 1677.
From the Head Asst. Collector of Canara. Return of Imports and Exports of Rice and other Grain for the week ending 7th May 1854.

88
Bd. No. 1672.
From the Collector of Sea Customs Madras. Report of Grain exported for the week ending 18th May 1854.-

From

89
Bd. No. 1673.
From the Collector of Sea Customs Madras. Report of Grain imported for the week ending 18th May 1854.-

75-90
Order on the 14th above letters and statements. Ordered to be submitted for the information of Government.-

Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous letters and statements.-

91
Mf. No. 712.
From the Agent at Kurnool. Abstract of Demand Collection and Balance for the Month of February last

92
Mf. No. 711.
From the Collector of Trichinopoly. Abstract of Demand Collection and Balance for the Month of April last.-

93
Mf. No. 710.
From the Agent at Kurnool. List of average prices of Grain for the Month of February last.-

94
Mf. No. 709.
From the Collector of Trichinopoly. Statement shewing the average Bazar wholesale prices of Grain and Salt for the Month of April last.-

95
Mf. No. 703.
From the Collector of Bellary.- Reporting that no persons have been convicted or confined under Regulation IX of 1822 for the Month of February last.-

96
Mf. No. 705.
From the Collector of Salem. Return of Persons suspended and dismissed under Regulation VII of 1831 for the Month of April last.-

97
Mf. No. 708.
From the Collector of Canara.- Return of Persons suspended and dismissed under Regulation VII of 1831 for the Month of February last.

From

98
M/f No 707.
From the Collector of Rajahmundry.- Acknowledging the receipt of £4,000 Rawannahs and a parcel of drawing paper.-

99
M/f No 702.
From the Collector of Nellore.- Statement shewing the quantity of salt in store and ready for Exportation on account of the Chittagong Indent for 1854/55 at his Ports up to 8th May 1854.

100
M/f No 701
From the Collector of Ganjam.- Return of the wholesale prices of Grain for the week ending 30th April last

101
M/f No 706.
From the Collector of Rajahmundry.- Return of the wholesale prices of Grain for the week ending 15th April last

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M/f No 700
From the Collector of Tanjore.- Statement shewing the current selling prices of Grain for the week ending 30th April last.-

" Nocedingham

" W. H. Bayley

Comp. W. D. Gayer

Diary

23rd May Received the following letter.

To The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir

1
B. No. 1723.
From the Chamber of Commerce—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Copy of Proceedings of your Board on the subject of the request made by the Chamber of Commerce that the Bengal Import Tariff should be introduced into this Presidency and in doing so, would avail myself of the opportunity to express to the appreciation on the part of the Committee of the Chamber of the views by which the Board of Revenue have been influenced in the conclusion to which they have come and in which the Government have concurred.

The Committee are desirous that the adoption of the Bengal Tariff which has been sanctioned may be carried into effect with as little delay as possible, and they trust that no obstacle will arise to prevent this.—Hug to enclose copy of a communication which I have addressed to the Collector of Sea Customs, from which you will observe that the Committee would prefer the Bengal Tariff being introduced in its existing state without

without the excision of those articles yielding a small amount of revenue; this they highly approve of this being done - and that the Export duties should remain for the present as they are - if in this way time may be saved -

With regard to Export duties, the Committee trust that the expediency of such burdens on the Agriculture and Manufactures of the country will induce the Supreme Government as soon as possible to take steps for their total abolition -

Madras — 22nd May 1854. } I have &c.
Signed J. Thomson
Chairman

To The Collector of Sea Customs
Madras -

Sir, Having received from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue a copy of the Proceedings of the Board including correspondence with the Government on the subject of the Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce's letter to you of date 2nd June 1853 -

1853, from which it appears that the Government in accordance with the views expressed in the letter referred to, and agreeably to the recommendation of the Board have resolved that the Bengal Tariff shall be adopted in Madras in supercession of that sanctioned on the 27th March 1850 and which is now in use. I am requested by the Committee of the Chamber respectfully to express to you their earnest wish that so far as may be in your power you will kindly expedite the carrying out of the change at the earliest possible date -

The Committee observe that the Government wish that previous to the change being made, such articles should be struck out of the Tariff as yield a small amount of revenue, and while the committee approve of this being done, still if it should lead to any delay, they would rather prefer that the Bengal Tariff should be taken as it stands -

With reference also to the Export Tariff, they trust that this will not

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not to impose any obstacles to a prompt & similar introduction of the Import Tariff to that in force in Bengal. The Committee hope that the day is not far distant when Export duties will be done away with altogether, as a like prejudicial to commerce and the best interests of the country, and in the mean time they are willing rather than that any delay should be incurred with regard to the proposed modification of the Import & Export Tariff that the present Export Tariff shall continue as it is.

Madras 16th March 1854. } I Signed J. Thornton Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce

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B. & F. 1070.

Order thereon —

Ordered that a copy of the foregoing letter be forwarded to the Collector of Sea Customs who will be with reference to the Board's Proceedings dated 19th April 1854, reporting whether he sees any reason why the Bengal Import Tariff should not be adopted at once as suggested by the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Underwood has already prepared any revised Import & Export Tariffs he will be good as to submit them without delay, otherwise the Board are inclined to carry out at once the wishes of the Chamber of Commerce.

Att —

7384. Fort St. George 25th May 1854.

At a Meeting Present

Thursday — J. Goldingham Esqre Second Member
and
25th May 1854 } W. H. Bayley Esqre Officiating Member

Walter Elliat Esqre Senior Member.

Absent on duty

As Commissioner Northern Circars.

Minutes of the last Meeting read and approved.

Read the following Papers —

No 71.

To The Secretary to the Board of Revenue Fort St. George.

Sir,

(3)

B. & F. 1711.

From the Ag. Collector of Ganjam —

I have the honor to acknowledge —

7385 Fort St. George 25th May 1854.

Acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th ultimo and to inform you that the triennial Return of Shoultries for 1854 is not forwarded, no such buildings have been constructed within the period to which the Return refers

Ganjam District
Collector's Cutcherry
Chitterpore
15th May 1854.

Signed W. Knox
Acting Collector.

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Order thereon - Ordered to be recorded

To.

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No. 45.

To The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

5
B. No. 1451.

Sir.

From the Collector
of Masulipatam

As directed in
Para 6 of an Extract from the Proceedings
of the Board of Revenue dated
13th ultimo, I have the honor to trans-
mit herewith a Statement in the form
E, shewing the Salt available
for exportation to Calcutta both
on account of the Government
Indent and on private trade.

Masulipatam
Collector's Cutcherry
2nd May 1854.

Signed T. D. Lushington
Collector

Statement.

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Statement shewing the Quantity of Salt in store available for Exportation to Calcutta, both on account of the Government Indent and on private trade at each of the several places in the District of Masulipatam.

1	2	3	4	5	Remarks.
Places at which Salt is available for Exportation.	Quantity to be exported in 1854.	Quantity already Exported	Quantity remaining to be exported	Quantity at present available and to be available for Exports	
	Mds	Mds	Mds		
Contract Otaur	50000	50000	50000	50000	In this Otaur there are 295915 Maunds in Store of which 50000 Maunds are available for Exportation to Calcutta on Government Indent and about 25000 Maunds are available for private trade.

Signed T. D. Lushington
Collector.

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Order thereon - Ordered to be recorded.

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Statement shewing the quantity of Salt in store available for Exportation to Calcutta on Government Indent and on private trade at each of the several places in the District of Masulipatam up to 25th December 1854.

No	Places at which Salt is available	Quantity actually in store	Quantity already taken to be exported	Quantity remaining to be exported
		Last Account		
1	Collapully	4,000	1,70	
2	Varemy	274,50	20,1,70	
3	Pedimapatam	3,14,70	20,34,0	
		12,0000	88,53,40	

Masulipatam 25th May 1854.
T. D. Lushington
Collector

Collectors Office 1st May 1855.
C. C. Pr. Dr.

Order thereon - Ordered to be recorded.

Statement

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Order thereon - Ordered to be recorded -

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To W. H. Bayley Esq^re
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort S^t George -

11

B^d. R^d 1713.
From the Collector
of Tuticorin

Sir,

In reply to Extract from the Proceedings of your Board dated the 13^th Ultimo, I have the honor to state that from enquiries I have caused to be instituted throughout this District it does not appear that any emissaries from the Committee of the Madras Native Association have been raising funds in this Province with a view to obtaining an abatement of the assessment of the Motur Pike tax -

Two Members of the
2
Committee Lutchemenursima Setty
and Venkatarogalu Naick accompanied Mr.

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B^d. R^d 1578 -

Statement shewing the Quantity of Salt issued from the Public Stores at Tuticorin during the month of January 1852 -

Places at which Salt is issued	Quantity issued	Quantity remaining to be exported	Remarks
Tuticorin	8000		
Palamcottah	12000		
Tuticorin	8000		
Tuticorin	10800		
Tuticorin	4800		
Tuticorin	8000		
Tuticorin	8000		
Tuticorin	8000

Fort St. George 25th. May 1854.

Wr. Darby Seymour to Trichinopoly and several other towns of the Zillah last November, and I heard that a subscription list for the object in question was circulated but without success. The landed proprietors declining to part with their money for a benefit in prospect.

3. The Board are aware that the Motive for the Law in this Province only obtains in a few places. Trichinopoly wholly free monopoly and its great Suburbs are

Trichinopoly Collectors Office 20th. May 1854.

Signed J. Bird Collector

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Order thereon Ordered to lie over

To W.H. Bayley Esqre. Secretary to the Board of Revenue

(13)

B. of R. 1617. Fort St. George

From the Collector of Coimbatore Dist. I beg to acknowledge the receipt

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receipt of Extract from the Board's Proceedings dated 20th. ultimo, and to inform them that the 100 acres have been given to Wr. Shaw, with leave to fell all the Timber and to locate thereon, as he desires and intends, though I cannot but consider strongly in the Civil Engineer's view of the evil, and I fear the present leave to Wr. Shaw will be found, at a future day, a dangerous precedent and a serious injury.

Ootacamund 10th. May 1854

Signed E.B. Thomas Collector

Order thereon Ordered to be recorded.

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Return.

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Bd No 1722.

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Return of Talookdars of the Collectorate of Canara as

25th May 1854.

they stood on the 1st May 1854.

Name and place of birth.	Caste	Age	Talook of Collection	Amount of Pay	Length of Service as Talookdar in the present Talook	Total length of Service as Talookdar in the Collectorate	Employment previously to appointment as Talookdar and length of service in each employment	Total length of Service	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
				Rs a P	Y m D	Y m D			Y m D	
Mungueshia of Tenseh	Saraswat	68	Mungalore	316	10 2 14	4 120			1 7 15	
Sreenewas Row of Hanchy	Deshyast Brahmin	24	Bakul	2/720	2 6 110				4 9 6	
							6 9 28	Goomastah in the Mangalore Sea Customs	3 5 12	39 8 21
								Sheristadar in the Sea Customs	16 4 20	
								Goomastah in the Bakul Coast Talooks	" " 29	
								Peishcar	3 4 2	
								Sheristadars in the Talooks	9 7 20	
									32 10 23	
							4 9 6	Goomastah in the Head Spirit Collector's Cutcherry	38 "	28 " 15
								Do in the Sumany Cutcherry	2 " 15	
								Hoozoor Goomastah	1 6 11	
								Hoozoor Peishcar Moonshee	" 11 8	
								Hoozoor Head Moonshee	11 9 21	
								Sheristadars of Mangalore Talooks	3 3 14	
									23 3 9	

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Name and place of birth	Caste & Age	Talook	Amount of Pay & Collections	Length of Service as Tahsildar in the present Talook	Total length of Service as Tahsildar in the Collectorate.	Employment previously to appointment as Tahsildar and length of Service in each employment.	Total length of Service.	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
			Rs a p	Y M D	Y M D		Y M D	
Rungaswamy Moodly	Bramin	Sarrasawab	50	Buntwal	3 3 6	16 6 11 11 130 " "	12 5 "	
S. Mascarenhas	Christian	Coolsr	40	Poolsr	1 8 6	6 9 7 100 " "	24	

15	2	6	Shanbogue of Buntwal's Choultry	3	10	8	28	4	16	
			Extra Manegar of Mangalore	"	1	"				
			Police Moonshie of Ditto	2	1	"				
			Gomastah of Head Assistant Collector's Cutcherry	1	5	"				
			Police Moonshee of Ditto	"	6	19				
			Revenue Ditto of Ditto	"	10	29				
			Ditto Ditto of Sub Coll'rs Do	4	3	4				
				13	2	10				
2	4	"	English writer in the Zillah Court of Mangalore	8	3	12	18	10	27	
			Ditto in the Sub Court of Do	"	11	24				
			Ditto in the Assistant Judges Ditto of Ditto	2	2	17				
			English Recordkeeper in the Collector's Cutcherry	5	1	4				
				16	6	27				

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25th May 1854

Name and place of birth	Caste	Age	Talook	Amount of Pay Collections	Length of Service as Tahsildar in the present Talook	Total length of service as Tahsildar in the Col. lectorate.	Employment previously to appointment as Tahsildar and length of Service in each employment.	Total length of Service	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	8	9	10	11
				Rs. A P	Rs. A P	Y m D		Y m D	
Shunqueshia of Butkul	Sara Swat	39	Oodipy	20,118 8 5	100 ..	1 7 25	1 7 25 Acting Police Moonshie of Bilghy Talook ____ " 8 15 2 1 2 Huzoor Assistant Moonshee " 7 3 Ditto 1st Assistant Ditto 2 7 7 Ditto Police Moonshee ____ " " 21 Huzoor Treasury Acting Goomastah " 8 14 Huzoor Head Record keeper 10 7 " Huzoor 2d Goomastah ____ 1 5 " D. Head Moonshee ____ 2 10 5 19 6 5		
Lingapah of Hurrady Talooor	Barcoor Brahmin	52	Barcoor	24,688 12	120 ..	2 4 25	16 9 14 Goomastah in the Moondgode Peishcar's Cutcherry ____ " 7 " 32 5 22 Sayer Sheristadar ____ 1 2 15 Talook Ditto ____ 8 6 26 Ditto Peishcar ____ 5 3 27 15 8 8		

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25th May 1854

Name and place of birth	Caste	Age	Talook	Amount of Collections	Pay	Length of Service as Tahsildar in the present Talook	Total length of Service as Tahsildar in the Collectorate	Employment previously to appointment as Tahsildar and length of service in each employment	Total length of Service	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
				Rs. A P	Rs. A P	Y M D	Y M D	Y M D	Y M D	
Soorapah of Balghy	Hurrady Bramin	50	Cundapore	34729 - 6	130 ..	4 9 8	11 4 22	Goomastah to the Salt Carogah	4 12	28 1 15		
								Huzoor Sayer Goomastah	1 2 19			
								Moonshee in the Head Assistant Collector's Kutcherry	3 7 ..			
								Do. in the Sub Collectors Do.	1 9 11			
								Huzoor Revenue Moonshee	4 5 ..			
								Talook	1 - 12			
								Peishcar in the				
								Tahsildar of Nuggur Divisions	2 3 29			
									14 8 23			
Sreenivas Row Sheshest of Coimbatore	57 Bramin	Honore	2,93,467	14-3	135 ..	4 6 ..	12 9 ..	Sayer Goomastah of Buntwal Talook	3 8	37 1 ..		
								Goomastah of Mangalore Talook	11 2 22			
								Ditto of Cundapore Ditto	6 9 ..			
								Talook Peishcar	6 1 ..			
									24 4 ..			
Antins Fer. Christian nandes of Ponake	56	Saksla	2,25,257	14-11	110 ..	5 2 ..	5 2 ..	Salt Mostaudy of Cundapore	5 3 ..	29 1 22		
								Talook Peishcar	5 11 ..			
								Sea Custom Canavisadar	12 9 22			
									23 11 22			

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Fort St. George, 25th May 1854.

Name and place of birth	Caste	Age	Talook	Amount of Collections	Pay	Length of service as Tahsildar in the present Talook	Total length of service as Tahsildar in the Collectorate	Employment previously to appointment as Tahsildar and length of service in each employment	Total length of Service	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
				Rs A P	Rs a P	y m D.	y m D.		y m D.	
Roodrapah of Aukola.	Shenvy	48	Sorpah	187983.10 7	120 " "	2 4 10	2 4 10	Goomastah in Sub Collectors Cutcherry — 13 2 18 Revenue Moonshe in Dº 13 2 2 Acting Sheristadar in Dº " 3 10 26 8 20.	29 1 "	
Annapah of Mangalore.	Saraswat	56	Sonda	16,296.15 2	120 " "	8 9 "	8 9 "	Prow doing duty as Goomastah of Dsperungaddy — 2 1 29. Moonshee of Peishcar of Dº 1 7 18 Police Moonshee of Barcoor Talook — 5 3 15 Huzoor Magistrate Moonshe 2 6 4 Revenue Moonshie in the Head Assistant Collectors Cutcherry — 7 1 17 Dº in the Additional Sub Collectors Cutcherry — 3 6 26 22 3 17	31 " 17	
Poolappa of Yellapoor	Shenvoy	59	Bilghy	66,338 1 1.	100 " "	5 5 10	7 5 "	Sayer Shanbogue — 4 11 5 Dº Chookidar — " " 5 Dº Goomastah — 2 3 5. Acting Sayer sheristadar — " 3 15. Huzoor Goomastah — 1 10 15. Huzoor Treasury Goomastah " 2 15. Sayer Canavisdar — 1 4 11 Deputy Huzoor Treasurer 4 5 " Huzoor Treasurer — 12 4 20. 27 9 1.	35 2 1	

Collector's Cutcherry, 27 6,338 M. 3 3.
On Circuit Agumbah, 13th May 1854.

(Signed) F. N. Maltby
Collector.

Fort St. George 25th May 1854.

15-16
Order thereon.— Ordered to be recorded

No. 38.

To, W. H. Bayley Esqre.
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

17
Bd. No. 1720

From the Collector of Canara .... Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the circular letter of the Board under date the 24th Ultimo accompanied by an Abstract Statement of the Gross Collections and charges of the Salt Monopoly for Fusly 1260, prepared in the Board's Office upon the accounts submitted to it by the Accountant General and each Collector.

Explains the difference of Salt Gross Collections and Charges found upon accounts furnished to the Board by Accountant General and Collectors as required by circular dated 24th Ultimo.—

The difference in the Gross Collections of the Salt Revenue, as shown in the above Statement, amounting

As per Acct. Genl. Statement — 4,61,091-4-5
As per Salt Revenue Report — 4,62,429-1-8
Difference 1865-2-9
Sewy Summl. 1859-9-1
Refunds — 15-2-...
1865-2-9

to Rupees 1,865-2-9 is the amount of Sewy Summl. Collections and Refunds of Charges, shewn in Columns 32 & 33 of the Statement of Salt Revenue for Fusly 1260, submitted to the Board with the annual Report on the Extra sources of Revenue for that Fusly.—

The Amount of Salt Charges are shewn to differ by the sum of Rupees 2,204-12-9. The Accounts submitted from this Office to the Accountant General and to the Board of Revenue do not however appear to differ in any way and I find it difficult to explain the cause of the difference, as above shewn, without being furnished with the details of Rupees 84,856-9-10 shown in the Board's statement as being entered on the accounts furnished by the Accountant General.—

As per Acct. Genl. Statement — 84,856-9-10
As per Salt Revenue Report — 87,061-6-7
Difference 2,204-12-9

Collector's Cutcherry
On Circuit Agoomba
16th May 1854 ...

(Signed) T. A. Maltby
Collector

Order thereon.— Ordered to lie over.—

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Read

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19
Bd. No. 1715

From the Collector of Tanjore.— Read register of Endorsements passed by him on Petitions referred by the Board for the month of March 1854.—

19-20
Order thereon.— Ordered to be lodged in the Office.—

21
Bd. No. 1712

From the Collector of Masulipatam. Read letter stating that no Import or Export of gold and silver Bullion and spice has occurred during the month of April last.—

21-22
Order thereon.— Ordered to lie over.—

23
Bd. No. 1690

From the General Treasury. Read Statement of Contingent Charges incurred for the month of March last.—

23-24
Order thereon. Ordered to be submitted for the sanction of Government.—

25
Bd. No. 1709

From the Acting Collector of Guntoor.— Return of Grain Exported by sea during the week ending the 15th May 1854.

26
Bd. No. 1710

From the Acting Collector of Guntoor. Return of grain Imported by sea during the week ending the 15th May 1854.

Ordered on the 2 abovementioned Statements. Ordered to be submitted for the information of Government.—

25-27

Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous letter and Statements.—

From.

28
Mf. No. 705

From the Collector of Salem.- Stating that no persons were charged with Offences or confined under Regulation IX of 1822 for the month of April last.-

29
Mf. No. 714

From the Acting Collector of Guntoor.- Return of the whole sale price of grain for the week ending 15th May 1854.

30
Mf. No. 713

From the Collector of Tinnevelly.- Statement shewing the whole- Sale prices of grain for the week ending 13th May 1854.-

" Goldingham

Comp. D. W. D. Gagot

" W. H. Burley

Diary.

Received the following Papers.

1
B No. 1560
From the Secretary to Government

11th May

No. 524

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, dated 8th May, 1854.

From Board 27th April 1854

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council sanctions the refund of the import duty paid by Messrs Bainbridge & Co on a Piano landed per Brig Venetia from Maulmein which is declared to have been previously in use in India amounting to Rupees 120 twenty.—

Signed J. Pycroft
Secretary to Government.

1-2
B No. 1075
Order thereon

26th "

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Sea Customs with reference to his letter dated 18th April 1854.—

No. 535

3
B No. 1593
From the Secretary to Government.

13th "

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, dated 10th May, 1854.—

From Board 1st May 1854

Will be continued in the name of Bungapah Naidoo son of the deceased.

By order
Signed J. Pycroft
Secretary to Government

Ordered.

Fort St. George 26th May 1854.

3-4

B.N.-1074

26th May

Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Cuddapah with reference to his Tabular Report dated 31st March 1854.

5.

B.N.-1594

13th May

From the Secretary to Government

No. 535

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, dated 10th May, 1854.—

/ From Board 1st May 1854 /

Will be resumed as recommended by the Board of Revenue

By order

/ Signed / T. Pycroft

Secretary to Government.

5-b.

B.N.-1072

26th

Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Cuddapah with reference to his Tabular Report dated 31st March 1854

7

B.N.-1595

13th

From the Secretary to Government

No. 535

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, dated 10th May, 1854.—

/ From Board 1st May 1854 /

Will be resumed as recommended by the Board of Revenue

By order

/ Signed / T. Pycroft

Secretary to Government

Ordered

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7-8

B.N.-1073

26th May

Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Cuddapah with reference to his Tabular Report dated 31st March 1854.—

9

B.N.-1641

17th

From the Secretary to Government

No. 549

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department, under date the 18th May, 1854.—

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council proceeds to pass orders on a Despatch from the Honorable the Court of Directors, in this Department, dated 15th March 1854.—

No. 2

Ordered that a copy of this Despatch be furnished to the Board of Revenue.—

No. 2 of 1854

Our Governor in Council

at

Fort St. George.

Letter dated 18th October / No. 65 / 1853 / Reporting a defalcation of Rupees 2,261-11-0 in the Stamp Department of the Madras Collectorate, and the dismissal of

Para 1. We observe that the amount proved to have been deficient

was

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of the Vender through whose guilt it had occurred.

Forwarding also a Memorial from Cashava Naick complaining of his removal from the Office of Headsheristadar and praying for reinstatement. —

was made good by the vender. —

2. The decease of the memorialist communicatet to us in your

Letter of the 22nd November last / No 80 / renders it unnecessary that we should pass any orders in the case. —

London, 15th March 1854.

/ Signed / Russell Ellice
" I. Oliphant
Vcs Vcs Vcs
/ A true Extract &c copy /
/ Signed / F. Pycroft
Secretary to Government

9-10

Bnc 1076
Order thereon —

26th May

Ordered that Copy of the foregoing papers be communicated to the Acting Collector of Madras. —

11

Bnc 1071
To the Collector of Canara
Calling for further

26th "

To the Collector of Canara.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of

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further explanation on the subject of salt manufacture. —

In Cons 11th May 1854

of 1st May 1854 on the subject of the salt manufacture, the Board observe that you state in reply to Query 2 that the salt is paid for at certain fixed rates varying from 7 to 12 Rupees a Garce, whereas from a former letter from Canara dated 15th June 1828 it would appear that the rates paid to the Manufacturers varies from 15½ to 21 3/4. —

In Cons 26th June 1828

The Board also wish to be informed 2. how Bombay Salt has come to supersede the Salt of the District, and why Canara should not itself manufacture salt sufficient to meet all demands. There may be difficulties as regards climate, soil, quality of salt, high rates of manufacturers share of which the Board are not able to find details in their office —

From reply to Question 12, it 3 appears that you only estimate 9 annas 7 Pice per Garce as cost of Establishment for Bombay Salt, whilst the cost of Establishment for Goa and Canara Salt is in each case entered as 4 - 2 - 8, and still in the

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1st Column the Total cost of Establishment is only 3-5-2½ some further explanation of this is requested.—

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
26th May 1854. — — —

/Signed/ B. Cunliffe
Sub secretary in charge.

No. 84

(12)

To W. H. Bayley Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.

B. No. 1573

From the Acting Collector of Madras. } Sir,

It has been the practice in the Salt Department here to bind under pain of forfeiture the Purchasers of salt wholesale by the Heap not to retail any portion of the same within the limits of the Supreme Court. I have the honor to request the opinion of the Board as to the propriety of abolishing this restriction and allowing Salt to be sold by the heap for Home Consumption as well as inland sale. It appears to me that so long as parties who desire it have the option of purchasing by retail, the larger —

our

our wholesale transactions. the latter

/Signed/ W. Stokes
Acting Collector.

Madras,
11th May 1854.

B. No. 1077
Proceedings
(12-13)

26th May

thereon — The Board of Revenue see no objection to the Acting Collector abolishing the restriction referred to, and allowing Salt to be sold by the heap for Home consumption as well as inland sale. —

Sent the following Papers

26th

(14)

No. 216

To The Chief Secretary to Government.

B. No. 1089

To the Chief Secretary to Government } Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to submit the accompanying

A comparative statement of contingent charges incurred in the Revenue and Magisterial Departments for the year 1853 sanctioned by the Board under the Orders of Government dated 28th July 1843

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B 2 Accompanying is also submitted a statement of contingent charges incurred in the Offices at the Presidency for the same period. —

* Stamp offices Sea Customs Department Reporter of External commerce

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
26th May 1854. — — —

/Signed/ B. Cunliffe
Sub secretary in charge.

Statement

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A

Statement shewing the contingent charges incurred in the Districts under the Madras Presidency in the Year 1853 and sanctioned by the Board of Revenue under the Orders of Government dated 28th July 1843 published in the Fort St. George Gazette:-

Districts.	Actual charges incurred in the year 1852.	Actual charges incurred in the year 1853.	Comparison: Increase.	Comparison: Decrease.	Remarks.
	Rad	Rad	Rad	Rad	
Ganjam	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	
Vizagapatam	213 " 9	204 12 11	" " "	8 3 10	
Rajahmundry	69 3 9	99 7 3	30 3 6	" " "	
Masulipatam	49 11 8	120 " 10	70 5 2	" " "	
Guntoor	122 9 2	118 9 11	" " "	3 15 3	
Chingleput	76 3 "	82 6 6	6 3 6	" " "	
Salem	89 9 5	71 5 5	" " "	18 4 "	
Madura	181 12 2	206 11 "	24 14 10	" " "	
Nellore	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	
Northern Division of Arcot	68 5 5	63 5 8	" " "	4 15 9	
Southern Division of Arcot	134 1 4	118 14 5	" " "	15 2 11	
Tanjore	156 11 "	52 5 9	" " "	104 5 3	
Trichinopoly	29 10 9	16 10 "	" " "	13 " 9	
Tinnevelly	56 15 3	111 " 6	54 1 3	" " "	
Bellary	" 14 4	8 8 "	7 9 8	" " "	
Cuddapah	23 8 1	21 11 10	" " "	1 12 3	
Coimbatore	112 " 6	121 5 2	9 4 8	" " "	
Canara	122 12 7	164 15 10	42 3 3	" " "	
Malabar	298 10 5	160 6 4	" " "	138 4 1	
Madras	223 1 3	203 5 3	" " "	19 12 "	
Kurnool	18 3 4	6 11 "	" " "	11 8 4	
Total	2103 14 9	2018 4 6	253 10 2	339 4 5	

Deduct Increase 253 10 2

Net Decrease 85 10 3

/Signed/ B. Cunliffe

Subsecretary in charge

Statement

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Fort St. George 26th May 1854.

No. 217

26th May

To, The Chief Secretary to
Government.

15
B.R. No. 1090
To the Chief
Secretary to
Government

Sir,

In obedience to the instruc-
tions conveyed in the Resolution of
Government under date the 29th
May 1852. I am directed by the
Board of Revenue to submit the
accompanying Comparative
Statement of Contingent Charges
incurred in the Offices at the
Presidency named in the margin for
the year 1853. Sanctioned by the
Board under the Orders of Govern-
ment dated 28th July 1843. —

Accountant Generals office
Sub Treasurer saving Bank
Civil auditor

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Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George.
26th May 1854. — —

/Signed/ B. Cumliff
Subsecretary in Charge
Statement

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Fort St. George 26th May 1854.

B

Statement shewing the Contingent Charges incurred in the Offices at the Presidency named in the margin for the year 1853 and sanctioned by the Board of Revenue under the Orders of Government dated 28th July 1843 published in the Fort St. George Gazette. —

Names of Offices	Actual Charges incurred in the year 1852.	Charges incurred in the year 1853.	Increase	Decrease	Remarks
	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p	
Sub Treasurer	248 6 4	503 12 5	255 6 1		Articles charged in the Establishment for the year 1853.
Law & Custom Establishment	433 3 4	983 13 8	550 10 4		
Collector of External Commerce	179 . .	16 0 .	13 . .		Establishment Do for that
Total	799 12 8	1504 13 5	855 6 1	0 0 0	are not entered in this Statement

Sd/ B. Cumliff
Subsecretary in Charge.

Sd/ D. Dewan
Asst.

Sd/ D. Dewan
Asst.

Fort St. George
26th May 1854.

Sd/ B. Cumliff
Subsecretary in Charge.

7411

Fort St. George 4th May 1854

No. 1

Statement shewing the Contingent Charges incurred in the undermentioned offices in the year 1853 and sanctioned by the Board of Revenue under the Orders of Government dated 28th July 1843 published in the Fort St. George Gazette.

	Actual charge incurred in the year 1852	Actual Charges incurred in the year 1853	Increase	Decrease	Remarks
	₱ a ₰	₱ a ₰	₱ a ₰	₱ a ₰	
Accountant Generals Office	234 4 6	245 5 1	11 0 7	" " "	
Sub Treasurer	304 2 6	476 9 11	" " "	27 10 7	
Savings Bank	25 15 5	23 12 9	" " "	2 2 8	
Civil auditor	148 3 10	210 15 11	62 12 1	" " "	
Total	912 10 3	956 9 8	73 12 8	29 13 3	

29 13 3 Dt. Decrease

43 15 5 Net Increase

(Signed) B. Cunliffe
Subsecretary in charge

Official

7412

Fort St. George 4th May 1854

16

B. No. 1078

21st May

Office Collectorate

To the Superintendent of Stamps

Office of Revenue Board

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Sir

Board of Revenue have the honor to request that the Superintendent of Stamps will be good enough to transmit to this office the enclosure in the letter of 3rd May received with the letter of 3rd May 1854 and which were returned to the Stamp office on the 18th Instant

I have &c

(Signed) W. B. Bayley
Secretary

Revenue Board's Office
Fort St. George
2nd May 1854

17

B. No. 1077

5th May

From the Collector of

Read Statement of Pagodas received from the Sub Collectorate of Cuddapah for the month of April 1854 amounting to Pagodas One Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty Five

Fee

7413 & 18

Fort St. George 27th May 1854.

(17-18)

B. No. 1081. 27th May.

Proceedings thereon.

Mr. J. Prendergast
Collr. for 128 Days
" G. N. Taylor
Sub Collector
for 365 Days
" R. C. Master
Asst. Collr. for 104 Days.

The Board sanction the Extra Establishment drawn by each Officer for the number of days noted in the margin.

J. C.

7419

Fort St. George 29th May 1854.

No. 31.

To W. H. Bayley Esqr.
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

(19)

B. No. 1104.

From the Collector of Salem — Sir, Para 1.

I have the honor to lay before the Board the accompanying copy of a correspondence between this Office and the Superintendent of the Rugger Division in the Mysore Territory relative to the confiscation of any property in the Salem District belonging to Amrut Mahal Kistna Row late Treasury Goomastah in that Division, who has been convicted of Embezzlement of money the amount of Rupees 25,374-11-9 from the Division Treasury and sentenced by the Superintendent to imprisonment with hard labor for 7 years and to make restitution, jointly with others of the sum embezzled.

A. Kistna Row is the holder of the Surra Enam Village

2

Forwards copies of correspondence between the Superintendent of the Rugger Division in the Mysore Territories and himself relative to the confiscation of property in the Salem District belonging to Amrut Mahal Kistna Row who was found guilty of Embezzlement.—

From Superintendent of Rugger Division dated 3d November ---- 1853.
To Do. 8th December ------ "
From Do. 11th February --- 1854.
To Do. 11th March ------ "
Translation of two Petitions from the relatives of the Prisoner
Tabular Report of Sungums-danachilly.—

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of Singiravadanahully in the Ofsoot of Talook. I beg to bring the subject to the Board's notice and to recommend that the case in respect to this Enam should be laid before Government for their orders.

3 A Tabular Report shewing the nature of the Enam and the number of the Enamdars relatives, so far as this point can be ascertained from enquiries in this District, is annexed.—

4 I also beg to submit a Translation of two Petitions one from the wife and the son of Kistna Row objecting to the resumption of the Enam, on the ground that it is an hereditary property in which Kistna Row has only a life interest; and another from one Kistna Row of Nugger stating that he has a mortgage on the property and praying that in the event of the Enam being resumed 525 Rupees the sum lent on the mortgage is with interest may be discharged.

5 The Board will perceive that the Dasavundum Enam held by Kistna Row in the

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same Surva Enam Village has already been attached; and that Kistna Row has no other property in this District. As the Government have directed that the transfer by sale or otherwise of Enams such as the one under notice is unobjectionable so long as the transfer carries with it the peyurements of the grant I have attached the Dasavundum Enam preparatory to selling it and transmitting the sale proceeds to the Mysore Government.—

Board's Proceedings 9th May 1854 Para 18. to 20. B. Page 456.

Salem Collectors Office
On Circuit Durroor
6th April 1854

Signed W. A. Brett
Collector

No. 1

No. 539.

To The Collector of Salem.

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence noted in the margin especially to the last paragraph of your letter of the 23rd March last, I have the honor to inform you that

To the Magistrate of Salem dated 5th March ____ 1853 No. 124
To D. 15 D. No. 138
From D. dated 23rd March 1853
From D. dated 2nd June 1853.

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that Amrut Mahul Kistna Row the late Treasury Goomastah of this Division therein alluded to, has been sentenced to imprisonment with hard labor for 7 years and to make restitution jointly with others of the sum of Rupees 25374—10—9 embezzled from the Treasury of this Division.—

2 I beg you will inform me if the Enam Village named Singoosadana hully belonging to Kistna Row can be made available for the restitution required of him and if it can that you will take the necessary measures for that purpose I beg also that you will have the goodness to cause enquiry to be made if Kistna Row has any other property in your Zillah, and that you will confiscate any that may be found.— There is reason to believe that Kistna Row has secreted most of his property very little having been found. It is possible he may have some secreted among his relatives and friends in the Salem District.—

Banawar
3d November
1853.

/Signed/ W.C. Onslow
Superintendent.
/True Copy/
/Signed/ H.A. Brett
Collector

To

Fort St. George 29 May 1854.

No. 2.

To

Major W.C. Onslow
Superintendent of the
Nuggur Division

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated the 3d Ultimo informing me that Amrut Mahul Kistna Row late Treasury Goomastah has been sentenced to imprisonment with hard labor for 7 years and to make restitution jointly with others of Rupees 25,374—10—9 embezzled from the Treasury of the Nuggur Division and requesting me to inform you if the Village named Singoosadana hully which is registered in Kistna Row's name can be made available for the restitution required of him and to ascertain whether Kistna Row has any other property in this Zillah, I have the honor to state that the Enam Village is not alienable as explained by my predecessor in his letter of the 23d March, but adverting to the concluding Para of the second letter, in which Mr Phillips remarked that it might be proper in the event of a criminal conviction Kistna Row to prevent the

matter

matter to the Madras Government in view to the cancelment of the Enam, I have the honor to request you will furnish me with a copy of the sentence to enable me to make the required report.—

Mr. Phillips informed you in his letter dated the 2 June last that Kistna Row did not appear to have any property in the Salem Zillah with the exception of the Enam above mentioned and certain Dasavundum Enam land in the same Village assessed at Rupees 34—3—4 This Dasavundum Enam is saleable property but before taking further measures, I request you will inform me by what law you are authorized to call upon me to confiscate property within the limits of the company's Government.—

Salem Collector's Cutcherry
Sepot. 8th December
1853.

/Signed/ H. A. Brett
Collector

/True Copy/
/Signed/ H. A. Brett
Collector

No. 3
No. 103

To
The Magistrate of
Salem.

Sir,

With reference to your letter in the Revenue Department of date the 8th December last, I have the honor to send you copy of the sentence passed by my Court upon Amrut Mahal Kistna Row convicted of embezzling money from the Treasury of this Division.—

2 With regard to the question contained in the last paragraph of your letter under reply, I beg your consideration of the intent and purport of the Act No. 1 of 1849 and of other Acts and regulations therein alluded to.—

3 The judicial institutions of Mysore were established by the Government of India in supercession of those of the Native Government in the year 1834 were confirmed by the Honorable the Court of Directors and are administered by their own servants under their own authority, wholly independent of the Rajah.

There

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There can therefore be no doubt that the Courts of Mysore are signified in the act I have mentioned, and I conceive that although that act does not literally apply to the case in question, as the Courts of this country are recognized as competent to try and punish British subjects it must be inferred that any property held by Mysore subjects in the British territory convicted by the Courts of Mysore, is liable to confiscation when the sentence of such Court requires the same.—

I conceive also that this country might be considered in regard to this question as non regulation province of the British Government.—

Should you have any doubt as to your authority to comply with my requisition I beg that you will do me the favor to give me early intimation of it that the question may be referred to competent authority.—

Sirmogah, 11th February 1854.

I have the honor to be Sir Your most obedient humble Servant

(Signed) W. C. Onslow
True Copy
Superintendent
(Signed) H. A. Brett
Collector

Fort St. George 29th May 1854.

This case has been returned to me for disposal under instructions conveyed in a letter from the Secretary to the Commissioner of which the following is a copy.—

No. 148.

To The Superintendent of the Nuggur Division

Sir.

I have the honor by desire of the Commissioner to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 140 of the 1st of August last forwarding the Proceedings of the trial in Criminal case No. 8 of 1853, and in reply am directed to inform you that the Commissioner having bestowed the closest attention on the whole of the papers connected with the defalcation in the Treasury of your Division has fully satisfied himself that the opinion of the Punchayet is utterly erroneous and that the whole onus of the crime must be held to rest on the late Treasurer and the persons who have been convicted by you.—

I have now therefore the honor to return you the Proceedings in the

the case and to request that you will dispose of it in accordance with these views assigning to the several parties the punishment proper to their respective the of criminality and with advertence to the Act No XIII of 1850 and the Madras regulations on the subject.—

(Signed) F. Cunningham
Secretary

It is necessary to make a severe example in this case.—
The conduct of the 3d Prisoner requires especially to be marked and severely visited. He is equally as guilty with the 1st Prisoner being a chief actor in the embezzlement and his insolent conduct on his trial very greatly aggravates his crime. This conduct must be especially marked in order that authority may not fall into contempt throughout the country He has made it imperative on me to inflict the full measure of punishment provided by law. I therefore pronounce the following sentence in accordance with instructions I have received and with reference to Section IX. of

of Act No XIII of 1850.

The 1st Prisoner is dead.

The 2d Prisoner Balapah will suffer imprisonment with hard labor in irons for (4) four years.—

The 3d Prisoner Kistna Row will suffer imprisonment with hard labor in irons for (5) five years.—

The 4th Prisoner Ramiah will suffer imprisonment with hard labor in irons for (2) two years.—

The 5th Prisoner Kashee Row is acquitted.—

The 6th Prisoner Venkata Bheema Row will suffer imprisonment with hard labor in irons for (3) three years.—

The 7th Prisoner is dead

The 8th Prisoner has been pleased

The Property of all the

Prisoners

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Prisoners [excepting the 5 and 8th] will be confiscated and sold for the benefit of the Circar to the amount of the embezzlement all the Prisoners with this exception being held severally and jointly responsible for the whole sum embezzled.—

Should the money not be restored the Prisoners above sentenced will each suffer two years additional punishment.—

Cuddaloor,
1st November 1853.

/Signed/ W. C. Onslow
Superintendent

/True Copy/
/Signed/ W. C. Onslow
Superintendent

/True Copy/
/Signed/ H. A. Brett
Collector

To.

Fort St. George 29th May 1854.

To. Major W. C. Onslow
Superintendent of the
Nuggur Division.

Sir,

Adverting to your letter dated the 11th Ultimo transmitting Copy of a Sentence passed by your Court upon Arrout Mahal Kristna Row Convicted of embezzling money from the Treasury of your Division, and requesting that early intimation may be given you should I entertain any doubt as to my authority to comply with your requisition, I have the honor to state that I have issued orders to the Aumeen of Thasildar to attach the Dasavundiem or lands of Kristna Row preparatory to their sale, and that the instructions of the Government will be taken in regard to the disposal of the Enam Village of Singoodanahully.

Salem Collector's Office,
On Circuit Admuncattah,
11th March 1854.

/Signed/ H. A. Brett
Collector

/True Copy/

/Signed/ H. A. Brett
Collector

Translation

Fort St. George 29th. May 1854.

Translation of a Petition presented by Streenevasa Rawson and Vencoobayee wife of Amrut Mahal Kristna Row Jagheerdar of Singoosadanahully Village in Bagaloor of Oossoor Taluk in the District of Salem to the Collector of Salem dated 17th. March 1854.

That the Village of Singoosadanahully is held by Kristna Row my father as Jagheer for which Sunnuds and other grants given by the Company are in my profession and corresponding entries relative to this Enam will be found in the Public Accounts in your District. It would have come to your honors notice that Kristna Row has been punished in a criminal case in the Nuggur Division of the Mysore Government (of the Superintendent of the Division) has written letters on two or three occasions for the attachment and sale of the Village above noticed. I beg to state that that Jagheer Village was not given for my father Kristna Raw's own sake, but that it is an hereditary grant. The Village therefore is not liable to attachment and sale as desired by the Superintendent in his letter. As the said Kristna Row has practised fraud in the Circar there may perhaps be reason for withholding the Enam for his life only and not for the succeeding Generations. I therefore solicit that the Superintendent's wishes may not be acted upon and that instructions be

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be issued for having the Enam Village entered in my name and the same put into my profession. I beg to be favoured with a reply, we reside at Ousbah Shemooga in the Nuggur Division.

Translation of a Petition presented by Nuggur Kristna Row a resident of Shemooga to the Collector of the District of Salem dated the 24th. March 1854.

After Compliments

I am informed that the Jagheer Village of Singoosadanahally held on Surva Maniem tenure by Amrut Mahal Kristna Row, late Sheristadar of the Taluk of Shemooga, who was lately employed as a Gomastah in the Treasury of the Nuggur Division, was confiscated for the compensation of a certain sum embezzled by that individual from the said Treasury, I beg to state that the aforesaid Kristna Row having placed the Village under mortgage executed

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executed a deed on Stamp paper on
Monday the 2d day of the moons decrease
of the Month of Shravana, year Parees
=havee, Corresponding with the 2nd Augt
1852 and got a loan of 120 yakeary
Pagodas or Company's Rupees 525.
Should the Village under notice be
under attachment by the Circar Soolicit
that instructions
may be issued for the
disbursement of Rupees 525 the sum lent
with interest at the rate of 1½ Rupees per
Cent from the date of the deed executed.
I also beg that intimation may be given
me relative to such instructions having been given

/Signed/ Nuggur Kristna Rau

/True Translation/

/Signed/ W. A. Brett

Collector

Tabular Represume and incorporate
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Case	Taluke Vice Collector	Recommendation of the Board of Revenue	Decision of the Government
etc	and Value to it is made		
	Enam.		
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further support
Total — 221 Ibeg to recom-
Village of
e and incorpo-
rate

W. A. Brett

Collector

Salem

7436 Fort St. George 29th May 1854.

(19-20)

B. No. 1087.

Proceedings thereon. The Board are of opinion that the Enam Village of Singoo-
-sadanahully cannot be alienated from the family to which it has been assigned, and that under the circumstances report-
-ed in the foregoing letter, the best plan would be to attach the Village and pay the yearly proceeds thereof, as the share to which the prisoner Kristnah Row may be entitled to the Mysore Government in satisfac-
-tion of the Amount embezzled so long as that individual might live.—

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7437 Fort St. George 29th May 1854.

No. 62.

To.

W. H. Bayley Esqre.

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George.

(4)

B. No. 1755.

From the Collector of South arcot. } Sir,

I have the honor to report that I have this day delivered over charge of the District to H. Wood Esqre. 2nd Collector, whose receipts for the balance of Cash and B. stamps remaining in the Treasury are herewith enclosed.—

South Arcot, Collectors Cutcherry Cuddalore 24th May 1854. } I have &c. (Signed) E. Maltby Collector

Received.

Fort St. George the May 1854.

Encl. 1

Received from E. Maltby Esqr. Collector of South Arcot in the undermentioned Coins the Sum of Company's Rupees Eight Lacs Four thousand Eight hundred and Nine, Annas Ten and Pice Five, being the balance of Cash up to this date according to the accounts of the Treasury.—

Specie	Coins	Number of Coins	Rate of Conversion per 100 pieces of Coins	Amount	Total
			Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Gold	Half Mohurs	2	750 " "	15 " "	15 " "
Silver	Company's Rupees of 1835 and 1840	6,44,115	100 " "	6,44,115 " "	
	Ditto half Ditto	94032	50 " "	47016 " "	
	Ditto Quarter Ditto	2,28033	25 " "	57008 4 "	
	Ditto Double annas	2,58,486	12 8 "	33,560 12 "	
	Company's Rupees of Coinage previous to 1835	2205	100 " "	2,205 " "	
	Ditto half Ditto	545	50 " "	272 8 "	
	Ditto Quarter Ditto	256	25 " "	64 " "	
	Ditto Double annas	826	12 8 "	103 4 "	
	Ditto Single Ditto	458	6 4 "	28 10 "	
	Bombay Rupees	28	100 " "	28 " "	
	Ditto half Ditto	3	50 " "	1 8 "	
	Spanish Dollars	82	220 " "	180 6 4	
	Sicca Sorlaky Rupees	118	104 4 6	123 " 10	
					784706 5 2
Copper	New half annas	2,81,771	3 2 "	8,805 5 6	
	Ditto Quarter Ditto	6,77,235	1 9 "	10,581 12 9	
	Ditto Single pie pieces	134628	" 8 4	701 3 "	
					20088 5 "
	Total Company's Rupees				804809 10 5

South Arcot Collectors Cutcherry
Cuddalore
24 May 1854

E. E. H. Signed A. Wood
Sub Collector in Charge.

Received

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Fort St. George 24th May 1854.

Encl. 2.

Received from E. Maltby Esqr. Collector of South Arcot, in the undermentioned Coins the sum of Company's Rupees Sixteen thousand Eight hundred and Six, being the amount Deposited in the Revenue Treasury by the Civil and Sessions Judge and the Principal Sudr Ameen of Cuddalore, according to the accounts of the Treasury.—

Specie	Coins	Number of Coins	Rate of Conversion per 100 pieces of Coins	Amount	Total
				Rs. As.	Rs. As.
Silver	New Company Rupees	11691	100 " "	11691 " "	
	Old Ditto——Ditto—	5106	100 " "	5106 " "	
	Bombay Rupees———	9	100 " "	9 " "	
			Total Company Rupees—	16806 " "	

South Arcot,
Collectors Cutcherry —
Cuddalore, 24 May 1854.

E. E. Hs. / Signed W. Wood
Subcollector in charge.

Received

1440

Fort St. George 24 May 1854.

Encl. 3.

Received from E. Maltby Esqr. Collector of South Arcot the undermentioned Stamps remaining in hand on the 24th May 1854.—

Size Number	Description	Quantity	Value	
2	8 Annas Europe Decree Paper	336	167	8 "
	1 Rupee — Ditto — Ditto	140	140	" "
	2 Ditto — Ditto — Ditto	60	120	" "
	4 Annas — Paper	4,348	1087	" "
	8 — Ditto — Ditto	418	209	" "
	1 — Rupee — Ditto	1823	1823	" "
	2 — Ditto — Ditto	482	964	" "
2	4 Ditto Ditto	480	1920	" "
	8 Ditto Ditto	258	2064	" "
	16 Ditto Ditto	89	1424	" "
	32 Ditto Ditto	18	576	" "
	50 Ditto Ditto	13	650	" "
	100 Ditto Ditto	6	600	" "
	150 Ditto Ditto	4	750	" "
	250 Ditto Ditto	3	750	" "
	350 Ditto Ditto	2	700	" "
	500 Ditto Ditto	1	500	" "
2	4 Annas Europe Stamp Paper	78	19	8 "
	8 Ditto Ditto	86	43	" "
	1 Rupee Ditto	43	43	" "
	2 Ditto Ditto	39	78	" "
	4 Ditto Ditto	42	168	" "
1	3/4 annas Cadjans	729	182	4 "
	8 Ditto Ditto	154	77	" "
	1 Rupee Ditto	170	170	" "
	2 Ditto Ditto	73	146	" "
	4 Ditto Ditto	215	860	" "
	8 Ditto Ditto	17	136	" "
	16 Ditto Ditto	16	256	" "
	32 Ditto Ditto	11	357	" "
		Total — 14,153	16,825	4 "

South Arcot Collectors Cutcheery
Cuddalore, 24th May 1854 — 8

E.E.H.

(Signed) W. Wood
Sub Collr. in charge.

7441 Fort St. George 24th May 1854.

No. 63

To

W. H. Bayley Esqre.
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

(22)

Bd No. 1756.
From the Sub Collr in Charge of South Arcot.

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the information of the Board that I have this day received charge of the district together with the balance of Cash in the Treasury and the Stamps amounting to Company Rupees 8,38,440-14-5 / Eight Lacs thirty eight thousand four hundred and forty. annas fourteen and Pice five from E. Maltby Esqre. Collector to whom I have passed my receipts in duplicate.—

Revenue Treasury } 804,809-10-5
Court Deposit } 16825-4-0
Stamps 16825-4-0
8,38,440-14-5

South Arcot,
Collectors Cutcherry,
Cuddalore,
24th May 1854.

/ Signed / H. Wood
Sub Collector
in Charge

(21-23)

Order thereon

Ordered to be submitted for the information of Government.—

To

7442 to 7444 Fort St. George 29th May 1854.

No. 39

To,

B. Cuninffe. Esqre.
Sub Secretary in Charge
Fort St. George

(24)

Bd No. 1629
From the Collector of Tanjore

Sir,

I have the honor to report to the Board that in consequence of the disastrous nature of the Season I have found it necessary to limit the collection of the rents by price in Government rented villages to 25 per cent and to suspend the collection of the demand on poonjah and bagayet waste in all villages—a more particular report on the circumstances which have rendered these measures necessary is under preparation, and will be submitted as soon as possible

Tanjore,
Chitoodavah
12th May 1854
Bd No. 1088

/ Signed / H Forbes
Collector

(24-25)

Proceedings thereon

The Board approve of the Proceedings of the Collector as reported above and will await the receipt of his further report

To

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Fort St. George 29th May 1854.

No. 78/54

To,

W. H. Bayley Esqre
Secretary to the Court of Wards

(26)
18th Augt 1462
From the Collector of Madura
To Court of Wards 18th August 1853
To Dft 8th September 1853

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence noted in the Margin and enclosed Copy of a letter from the Sub Collector, I have the honor to Solicit the Sanction of the Court of Wards to the appointment of Soobier, now by nominated to be Tahsildar of Iyempully, to be Manager of the Ayacoody Zemindary

/Signed/ R. D. Parker
Collector

Madura
1st May 1854.

No 1
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To,

R D Parker Esqre
Collector of Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to report the death on the evening of the 21st of Tanganoattoo Pillay the Tahsildar of Iyempully, and Manager of the Estate of the Minor Zemindar of Ayacoody, and that I have appointed Soobier my Head Javabnavis an Officer of long standing and much experience in the Talooks and in the Hoozzoor as his successor, as Tahsildar, and I Solicit

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solicit sanction to appoint him also Manager of the Ayacoody estate under the Court of Wards.—

Soobier is now acting for Dondoo Raw the suspended Tahsildar of Tadicombo, and as it would prove very inconvenient in the middle of the settlement to make more changes than are absolutely necessary I have desired Soobier to continue at Tadicombo till relieved by Dondoo Raw, and have appointed the Moozoomdar of Iyempully to act as Tahsildar of that Talook during the absence of Soobier.—

/Signd T. Clarke.
Sub Collector.

/True Copy/

/Signed/ R. D. Parker
Collector

Dindigul
28th April 1854
Bd No. 1084
(26-7)
Proceedings thereon The Court of Wards sanction the appointment of Soobier Tahsildar of Iyempully, as Manager of the Ayacoody Estate, in compliance with the request of the Collector.

No. 36/1854

To

W. H. Bayley Esqre
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

(28)
Bd No. 1402
From the Collector of Malabar

Sir,

It happens sometimes that Commanders

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Commanders of English Vessels taking their final departure for Europe from Cochin dispose of small quantities of Wine, Beer, &c. said to form part "of "Ships Store," without the production of any Document Shewing that Duty thereon had been paid at Bombay- may I request to be favored with the Board's instructions as to whether or no such Goods are to be passed Duty free.

Calicut,
24th April 1854
Bd. No. 1083

/Signed/ H.V. Conolly
Collector.

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Proceedings thereon.

The Board are of opinion that Wines, Beer, &c. of the description alluded to in the foregoing letter, are liable to duty on importation.

Sent

TDG.

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Sent the following Papers

Official Memorandum.

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Bd. No. 1080
Official Memorandum to Madras.

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue in returning the accompanying packet No. 3 received with the letter from the Acting Collector of Madras dated 13th April 1854 has the honor to request that all the Forms may be copied on foolscap paper with translations of those in Tamil and retransmitted to this Office.—

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George,
27th May, 1854 - - -

/Signed/ B. Cunliffe
Sub Secretary
in charge.

To,
The Acting Collector of
Madras.

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Bd. No. 1082
To the Acting Collector of Madras

Sir,

From the Price lists which accompanied the Demand Collection & Balance Statement of your district it appears that the average retail price of Salt at the Presidency during

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during Fasly 1261 was 167 Rupees and during Fasly 1262, 172 Rupees per Garee. As these rates seem to be very high for a place so near the Coleroon, the Board desire me to request you will explain how they were obtained and whether they may be depended upon as correct, and in this case they would wish to know how high rates obtain so near the place of Government sale—

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
27th May, 1854 — — —

/Signed/ B. Cunliffe
Sub secretary in charge.

Monday
29th May 1854

At a Meeting Present
J. Goldingham Esqre. Second Member
and
H. Bayley Esqre. Officiating Member.
Walter Elliat Esqre. Senior Member
Absent on duty as Commissioner Northern Circars/

Minutes of the last Meeting read and approved.

Read the following Papers

Extract.

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From the Secretary to Government

Revenue Department

No. 266

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, Under date the 2d March 1854

Read the following letter from the Commissioner for the Northern Circars

No. 14

To, Sir, H. C. Montgomery Bart
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George.

Revenue Department dated 12th October 1853

Sir,

Para 1 I have the honor to forward Copy of a letter with an Enclosure from the Acting Collector of Guntoor reporting the result of his appeal to the Court of Sudr Adalut against an order of the Civil Judge.

Miscellaneous Petition No. 132 1853

2 In April last an application was made to the Civil Court at Guntoor on behalf of Government that the balance of Revenue namely Rupees 6-10-— payable for the Current year on Certain land the produce of which had been attached in execution of a Decree should be discharged from the sale proceeds of the produce. The Civil Judge decided that the

27th April 1853 produce was liable for the Kists due up to the date of attachment but not for

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for those which subsequently became due
and in support of this opinion quoted
the Sudr Udalut's proceedings dated 13th
June 1835 - Circulars Vademecum page 72. The
Acting Collector was instructed to appeal to
the Sudr Udalut against this order on the
grounds that in all cases where land is
held from year to year, a ryot engaging
to cultivate at the beginning of the fasly
renders himself liable for the full assessment
of the year, which therefore becomes due
without reference to the periods of payment
at which for his convenience the several kists
may be fixed, that the revenue under an
annual settlement can only be paid from
the produce of the year - that section XVII
Regulation XXVIII expressly provides that "claims
to crops upon the ground shall not under
any circumstances" bar the prior
claim of rent or revenue due
from the ground "thus clearly
recognizing the annual public
demand as over riding all
other claims on the produce
of

To Acting Collr.
13th June 1853

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of the season. —

Proceedings Sudr 3
Udalut 12th Septr
1853 -

The Court of Sudr Udalut it
will be seen are of opinion that
the case falls under section XVIII Regu-
lation XXVIII 1802 but that with reference to
the definition of the term arrear of
revenue given in clause 2, Section II,
Regulation XXVIII 1802, the arrears in the case
under notice should be calculated to the
date of sale of the produce and accordingly
they directed the Civil Judge to modify
his order and "hold the produce liable for
the kists which may have become due pre-
vious to its sale" —

4 It has thus been ruled in
opposition to all former practice, and
practice it is believed which has
always been hitherto recognized
by the Courts, that Civil process
may issue against the produce
of land paying public revenue
before the demand of the year
in which the produce was raised
has been satisfied, and it is evident
that

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that if the new rule should be extensively acted upon a supposition which the necessities of the poorer ryots render not improbable the punctual realization of the revenues would be to some extent impeded, I have therefore considered it proper to bring the matter under the notice of Government.—

Commissioner's Camp Gunnaram in the Rajahmundry District, 30th January, 1854

/Signed/ Walter Elliot
Commissioner

/A true Extract/
/Signed/ T. Pycroft
Secretary to Government

No. 70

To,
Walter Elliot Esqre
Commissioner for the
Northern Circars.

Sir,

I have the honor with reference to the Correspondence noted in the margin to forward a copy of an Extract from the Proceedings of the Court of Sudr Dewy Adawlut under date the 12th September last containing the order of that Tribunal upon

To Commissioner 1st June 1853 No. 13 of

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upon the application made on my behalf by the Government Pleader praying the Court to over-rule the order of the Civil Judge declaring Government to have a prior claim to the produce of land held under an annual Puttah and which produce may have been attached under Civil process only for the Kists due up to the date of attachment

2 You will observe that the higher Court has modified the order of the Civil Court only so far as to declare that all Kists due up to the date of sale are to be liquidated from the proceeds and not as was contended on behalf of the Revenue authorities the whole revenues for the year.—

3. Nothing further can I presume be at present done in the matter but I shall carefully watch the effect of the interpretation of the law now enunciated for if it should be found to be taken advantage of to evade payment of the just dues of Government, it may be necessary to make some alteration in the

periods.

periods on which the Kists are now declared to fall due:—

Guntoor,
Collector's Office,
12th October, 1854

/Signed/ J. A. Purnis
Acting Collector

/A true Copy/

/Signed/ Walter Elliot
Commissioner.

/True Copy/

/Signed/ J. Pycroft
Secretary to Government.

Extract from the Proceedings of Sudr Adalut, Under date the 12th September, 1853.—

Read Miscellaneous Petition presented on the 28th July 1853 by J. B. Norton Esqre. Government Vakeel on behalf of A. Purnis Esqre. Acting Collector of Guntoor.—

/Here Enter S. M. P. No. 255 of 1853/

"This is an application from an order passed by the Civil Judge of Guntoor under date the 27th April 1853 rejecting an application made by the Petitioner that a sum of Rupees 6. 10. 0. which is stated to be a balance of revenue payable to Government for the current year on certain land the produce of which has been attached

attached in execution of a Decree of Court should be deducted from the proceeds of sale of the said produce and paid on account of Government.

2 The Civil Judge decided that the produce could not be held liable for Kists which had become due subsequently to the date of its attachment and was not therefore answerable for the Petitioners demand. In support of his opinion he adverted to the proceedings of the Sudr Adalut under date the 13th June 1835 quoted at Page 72 of the Civilians Vademecum.—

3 The Petitioner represents that the proceedings of the Court of Sudr Adalut adverted to by the Civil Judge have reference to the construction of Section VI Regulation XXVII of 1802 which is only applicable to the case of an arrear of assessment due by a former proprietor and not to the present case in which the defaulter is a Ryot holding under an annual Puttah from him / the Petitioner / on behalf of Government

and

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and which falls under the provisions of section XVII. Regulation XXVIII. of 1802 and he contends that a Ryot holding under an annual Puttah renders himself liable for the year's Assessment, as soon as he signs the Puttah. —

4 The Court of Sudr Adalut are of opinion that the Petitioners' case clearly falls under the provisions of section XVIII Regulation XXVIII. of 1802, the latter part of which provides for the disposal of claims preferred upon Crops upon which an arrear of Revenue may have accrued and which by section VII. Regulation II of 1806 has been made applicable to Ryots holding their lands immediately from Government. The former enactment renders available for the Revenue demand in preference to other claims such part of the produce of the land upon which an arrear of revenue may have accrued as may be necessary to make good the arrear of Revenue due, and it only remains therefore

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therefore to be considered what is meant by an arrear of revenue and whether as contended by the Petitioner it is the entire revenue for the year as specified in the annual puttah or whether it is merely the first due and if the latter whether in the case under appeal only the first due up to the date of the attachment of the produce, or those due up to the date of sale should be liquidated from the proceeds of sale. —

5 It has been authoritatively declared by the Legislature in clause 2d section II Regulation XXVIII of 1802 what shall be deemed an arrear of revenue and that by that term is meant only the first or Kists due on a particular date and not the entire Assessment for the year as is contended by the Petitioner. — In regard however to the date to which the arrear in the case under appeal should be held entitled to liquidation from the produce of the land referred

referred to the Court of Sudr Udalut are
clearly of opinion that this should be
calculated to the date of the sale
of the said produce. it being laid down
in the section above quoted section XVII
Regulation XXVIII of 1802 that so long
as the crop remains on the ground, or
the gathered crops in the possession of
the defaulter that is to say so long as it
is not actually sold it shall continue
liable for the revenue demand in pre
ference to the prior claims of
others. Under this view of the
Law the Court of Sudr Udd
Lut resolve to direct
that the Civil Judge
will modify the order
passed by him in the
matter and hold the produce
in question liable for as many
Kists

Kists as may have become due prior
to its sale.—

Extract to Civil Judge
of Guntoor by precept returnable
within 2 days.—

Extract also to Petitioner's
Vakeel on his application.—

Madras, - - - - -
Sudr Udalut Court,
October 4 " 1853

/Signed/ A. J. Arbuthnot
Acting Register.

/True Copy/
/Signed/ J. B. Norton
Government Pleader.

/True Copy/
/Signed/ A. Purvis
Acting Collector.

/True Copy/
/Signed/ Walter Elliot
Commissioner.

/True Copy/
/Signed/ J. Pycroft
Secretary to Government

Resolved

J.L. 29/61.

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Resolved that copy of the above letter and of its enclosures be forwarded to the Board of Revenue who will be pleased at an early date to give their opinion on the question involved in the reference and to state whether their records afford any precedents bearing on the case.—

/True Extract/
/Signed/ S. Pycroft
Secretary to Government

Ordered that the following letter be submitted to Government.—

By
J.

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B.A. No. 1109

To the Chief Secretary to Government stating that they do not see the connection of the decision of the Sudder Udalut in the case when a Ryot holding land on annual Puttah on a rent payable by instalments has his land sold by Decree of Court to satisfy a private debt

In Cons. 29 May 1854

No. 220

To The Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

With reference to Esctenact Minutes of Consultation under date 2d March 1854 No. 266, Revenue Department, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to state that they are unable to find in their Records any precedent bearing on the case in question which is simply this; a Ryot holding land on annual Puttah on a rent payable by kists or instalments, the periods of which are fixed by the Revenue authorities has his land sold by decree of Court to satisfy demand of the Court that the whole Amount of the Rent for the year shall be paid over to them out of the proceeds of the Court sale. The Civil Judge pronounces that the Revenue authorities have only a right to the Amount of instalments due up to the date of attachment. On appeal to the Sudder they negative the claim of the Revenue authorities to the rent for the whole year, but admit that their claim is good as far as the Amount of instalments or Rent up to the date of sale.

2. As the Government have requested the opinion of the Board, they have only to say that

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that they cannot see the connection of the decision of the Sudder Adawlut - The point (the Sudder) state to be considered is what is meant by an arrear of Rev and whether as contended by the Petitioners it is the entire Revenue for the year as specified in the annual Pottah, or whether it is merely the Kist due up to the time of sale -

3 The Sudder decide that it has been authoritatively declared by the Legislature in Clause 2d Section II Regulation XXVII of 1802 what shall be deemed an arrear of Revenue, and by that term is meant only the Kist or Kists due on a particular date, and not the entire assessment for the year.

4 With every respect for the opinion pronounced by the Sudder, the Board of Revenue would submit that the clause of the Section quoted does not profess to define what constitutes the demand of Government, but often what constitutes a period of delay an undischarged demand may be considered in arrears, and as such, making the defaulter liable to attachment of his property - The point now to be decided is not the Board submit when a Ryot may be considered in arrear, but what is the total Demand of Revenue against him. The Government may have a legal demand on a person taking up land for Cultivation, and

yet

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yet they may not be authorized to attach his property till a certain period of non-payment has elapsed, but the specification of this period does not define the actual demand of Government. To use a familiar illustration, the Board would observe that if A is indebted to B a certain amount payable by instalments, and agrees that if an instalment is not paid within a Month of the time it is due his property shall be sold to the Amount only of the arrear due to that time - yet this stipulation, or even the sale itself does not diminish the original demand - There is yet a portion of the debt unpaid and therefore due - It may be however that it has other creditors and his whole property is sold - The question only remains not whether B has an outstanding demand, but whether he has a preference?

5 In like manner as soon as a Ryot engages for a certain portion of land, he is liable to a demand for the whole annual rent thereof, but provision is made for its being paid by instalments - He is bona fide a debtor to Government for the whole amount, even if he does not get a crop from the land, and whereas by Section VI Regulation XXVII of 1802 the land is regarded as the Security for the Public Revenue, the Board consider that although the Defaulters property is sold in Court with a view to meet other Demands

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Demands, yet the lawful demand on the part of Government for the whole years rent should precede any other claims.—

6 They are the more confirmed in their opinion from Section XVII Regulation XXVIII of 1802, where the produce of the Land is considered as Mortgaged to the owners of the land (in this case the Government) for the rent of the land—

7 Should the decision of the Sudders be considered beyond appeal, the Board see no means to secure the Public Revenue from loss, such as that now under consideration, except by throwing the Ryots forward, and making the Land Revenue payable early in the Fasly.

8 The Amount contended for in the present instance is a mere trifle, but the principle is an important one, for if the view of the Sudders be carried out, a Ryot may evade the Government demand by allowing a Court sale to a fictitious creditor.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St George
29th May 1854

/Signed/ B Cunliffe
Sub Secretary in Charge.

Enclosed

1466
34
Dy No. 1061
From the Secretary to Government.

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No. 396

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Military Department under date the 30 March 1854.

Read the following letter

No. 36

To Sir H C Montgomery Bart
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St George

Sir,

With reference to para 2 of Minutes of Consultation I have the honor to report for the information of Government that the retail sale of Opium is general in all Military Bazars, it being included amongst the intoxicating drugs authorized to be sold by Regulation XII of 1852 Section XLIII, and the sale thereof together with other intoxicating drugs, is conducted by the Abkarry Contractors under the exclusive control of the Commissary General.—

2 I beg moreover to observe that the practice of including Opium amongst the intoxicating drugs, authorized to be sold so far back as the formation of the Department, seems to have been prevalent generally in Military Bazars from the earliest periods to which the Records of this Office refer, tho not specially named apart from other intoxicating drugs.— I find it however named as one of the intoxicating drugs to be retailed by the

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From
No. 143
Dated 3d December 1850
+ Revenue Department
No. 75
Dated 24th January 1851

the Contractor at Masulipatam in the correspondence which accompanied my letter to you and referred to in Minutes of Consultations.

(Signed) A Tulloch Colonel
Commissary General

Referred to the Revenue Department for information as to whether the retail Sale of Opium is allowed under the Civil Abkarry.

By Order
(Signed) C A Browne Lt Colonel
Secretary to Government

No. 396

Ordered that the above Extract be forwarded to the Board of Revenue for report.

(Signed) T Pycroft
Secretary to Government

Ordered that the following letter be submitted to Government.

34-35
Bd No. 1112
To the Chief Secretary to Government
In Cons 29th May 1854

No. 223.

To The Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

With reference to an order of Government dated 4th April 1854, (Revenue Department, No. 396,) I am directed by the Board of Revenue to state that there is no restriction in the Civil Abkarry Limits to the free Sale of Opium

2 This article was never included in the Abkarry Rents and since the passing of the Act

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Act VI of 1844 it forms no Town or Inland duties of any kind.

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29th May 1854

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Bd No. 1534
From the Secretary to Government

(Signed) B Cunliffe
Sub Secretary in Charge

No. 497.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 27th April 1854.

(From 13d 10th April 1854)

The Honorable the Governor in Council grants authority for the two Enams in the Sydapet Talook of the Chingleput District, enjoyed by the late Juzle Ulle, being continued to his widow Rukat Banee for her life, for the support of the deceased's family.

By Order
(Signed) T Pycroft
Secretary to Government

36-37
Bd No. 1106

Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Collector of Chingleput with reference to Mr Cochrane's Talukan Report dated 22d Febuary 1854.

Order thereon.

38
Bd No. 1476
From the Secretary to Government.

Communicating a letter with its enclosure from Bombay Government thereby forwarding the levy of fees on Manifestos made out in the English Language and directing the Collector

No. 521.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 5 May 1854.

Read the following letter

No. 1847

To T Pycroft Esqre
Secretary to the Government of
Fort St George

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.

Collector of Canara to arrange for furnishing Manifests in Mahratta to Vessels proceeding to ports in the Bombay Presidency, whose owners may wish to receive them in that language.

No. 145 dated the 2d. February last, I am directed to transmit Copy of a report from the Commissioner of Customs Salt and Opium, No. 34, dated the 17th ultimo, and of its accompaniments, and to state for the information of the Government of Fort St. George that his Lordship in Council has authorized Mr. Young's opinion being acted on.

Bombay Castle
13th April 1854

/Signed/ H. E Goldsmid
Acting Chief Secretary to Govt.

No. 34 of 1854

I have the honor to report that I agree in the view taken by the Government of Fort St. George as to there being no objection to the levy of moderate fees on Manifests made out in the English language. The principle adopted throughout this Department is that all such Documents, whether in the English or Native languages, should be prepared at the expence of the Commanders or owners of the Vessels.

2 It would appear from the report of the Collector of Canara that that Officer can arrange for the issue of Manifests in the Mahratta language, and the Government of Fort St. George is prepared to authorize this course. I would observe that it is immaterial so far as regards Ports in this Presidency to the South of Demaun, whether the Documents are in English or in Mahratta. Mahratta Manifests may therefore be granted whenever they can be supplied more conveniently than English. The Communication between the Ports to the North of Demaun and Canara is so very infrequent, that the

the objection taken by the Acting Collector of Customs to the Continental Customs and Excise in his letter (Copy forwarded) No. 217, dated 28th February 1854, does not materially affect the question practically.-

Bombay Office of Commissioner of Customs Salt and Opium
17th March 1854

/Signed/ H. Young
Commissioner of Customs Salt and Opium

No. 217 of 1854

To
Henry Young Esqre
Collector of Customs
Bombay

Sir,

In returning the correspondence which accompanied your letter No. 120 of the 23d. instant, having reference to the language in which Manifests of Vessels clearing out from the Ports on the Malabar Coast to Ports within the Bombay Presidency should be prepared - I have the honor to inform you that for Vessels entering Ports South of Demaun, it is immaterial whether the Manifests be prepared in Mahratta or in English, but that all Vessels bound for Ports in Goozerat ought to have English Manifests as Mahratta is not the language of the Country

2 With regard to the fee levied at the Ports in Madras on all Manifests prepared in English by Government Writers. I would observe that as the Traders or the Tindals are not compelled to have the Manifests prepared by the Government Writers, we may be quite sure that if they could get them written out on more favorable terms by private individuals, they would not have recourse to

the

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The writers kept up by Government, and under these circumstances I consider that the fee is quite unobjectionable.--

Collector of Continental Customs and Excise Camp. Kooilu 28th February 1854

/Signed/ A Stewart
Acting Collector of Continental Customs and Excise

/True Copy/
/Signed/ H. Young
Commissioners of Customs Salt and Opium

/True Copy/
/Signed/ H. C Goldsmid
Acting Chief Secretary to Govt.

Ordered that the above letters and its enclosures be communicated for the information and guidance of the Board of Revenue, with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation 2d February 1854, No. 144. The Collector of Canara will arrange for furnishing Manifests in Malabar to Vessels proceeding to Ports in the Bombay Presidency South of Dennaun, whose owners may wish to receive them in that language.

To
The President and Members of the Board of Revenue.

True Extract
/Signed/ F Pycroft
Secretary to Government

38-39
Bd No. 1094
Order thereon

Ordered that the foregoing papers be communicated to the Collectors of Malabar and Canara with reference to the Board's Proceedings dated 20th February 1854.

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Extract

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No. 577

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Bd No. 1059.
From the Secretary to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, under date 5th May 1854.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council sanctions the recommended in the foregoing Proceedings amounting to Rupees 22-10-1 twenty two, annas ten and pice one.

24th April 1854.

/Signed/ F. Pycroft
Secretary to Government.

40-41
Bd No. 1099
Order thereon.

Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Collector of Chingleput with reference to Mr Cochrane's letter dated 31st March 1854.

No. 91.

42
Bd No. 1567
From the Chief Secretary to Government.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date 8th May 1854

Sanction is granted accordingly for the cost and charges of the Cocoanut Coir shipped for Calcutta on the "Mayaram Dayaram" amounting to Rupees 12,877-14-1 twelve thousand eight hundred and seventy seven, Annas Fourteen and Pice one.

/Signed/ H. C. Montgomery
Chief Secretary
order.

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Bd No 1101.
Order thereon

Fort St George 29th May 1854.

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Canara with reference to Mr Hall's letter dated 8th April 1854.

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Bd No 1158
From the Chief Secy to Government

No 429.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, under date 1st May 1854.

The Government approve and confirm the Proceedings of the Collector of Canara.

(Signed) H. C. Montgomery
Chief Secretary

(44-45)

Bd No 1100
Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Canara with reference to Mr Hall's letter dated 5th April 1854.

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(46)

Bd No 1075.
From the Chief Secy to Government

No 478

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Public Department, dated 18th May 1854.

Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue

(Here enter 27th April 1854.)

With the foregoing letter the Board of Revenue submit a correspondence with the Collector of North Arcot relative to the Establishment of two Civil Dispensaries in the Populous Towns of Arcot

Arcot and Vellore in that District.

Vide From Collr of North Arcot in Letter from Board 3d Nov 1857

The proposition for founding these Institution was first made in 1850 when the Collector adverting to the existence of two Lunger Khanas at those stations endowed with large funds, but productive of little or no good from the manner in which the Charities were administered, proposed remodelling them on certain principles, and from the reduction which it was hoped would thus be effected in the expenditure to establish Dispensaries at one or both the places mentioned. The Lunger Khanas were accordingly re-organized and placed on an improved basis in 1851, with the

Vide From Board 25th October 1852 No 445 Paras 15 to 24.

sanction of the Board of Revenue, and there has since been an annual saving in the expenditure compared with the sanctioned amount in each case to the extent indicated in the margin. With reference to the available surplus in the first two years, the Board in September 1853 supported the recommendation of the then Acting Collector for the establishment of a Dispensary in the Cantonment of Arcot, but the Government having

Surplus	Rs	a	P
In 1851	2,590	5	1
" 1852	4521	11	10
" 1853	4,273	12	7
	11,385	13	6

From Board 14th September 1853 No 410

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having been informed about the same time of the existence already of a private Institution at that station formed by Dr H. M. Scudder and supported by private contributions deemed it unnecessary and declined to sanction the Establishment of another Hospital at the same place, and considered that one might with greater advantage be formed in Vellore. The Board were accordingly directed to ascertain whether a Public Building was available there, and if not, to what extent subscriptions towards the erection of one might be looked for.

Extract Minutes of Consultation 8th October 1853 N° 957

From Revd H. M. Scudder 3d Novr 1853 Extract Minutes of Consultation 22d December 1853.

2 It will however be seen from the Papers noted in the Margin and the further correspondence which has since taken place between the Board and the Collector and now laid before Government, that Dr Scudder has subsequently removed his Dispensary to Wallajanugur and that Arcot, tho' there is a Cantonment Surgeon there stationed, is consequently now left destitute of any Establishment of the nature in question for dispensing Medical aid to the Poor. The proposal therefore to found a Dispensary there is renewed, whilst another

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another is recommended at the same time for Vellore, as it is considered that there are funds available for both. At the latter station the proprietor of a private Building is reported to be willing to let it at the moderate rent of /12/ Twelve Rupees a month, including which the monthly expense of the Dispensary is estimated at Rupees /205/ Two hundred and five. The cost of the Arcot Dispensary is the same, minus House rent, as it is stated that there are unoccupied Government Buildings there, suited for the purpose, so that the aggregate estimated monthly expenditure of both the Institutions amounts to Rupees /398/ Three hundred and ninety eight, or Rupees /4776/ Four thousand seven hundred and seventy six per annum.

Vellore Dispensary — 205
Arcot — 205 12 193
398 12
Rs 4776

3. With regard to the Funds required to meet this charge, the Collector has drawn up prospective Estimates of the probable saving during the next six years from the Punjur Khanah Grants, which shew that although in consequence of the present scarcity, the expected saving in the Current and ensuing years is below the estimated cost of the two Dispensaries, yet in the

the next three years it exceeds that cost and it is pointed out that the deficit of the earlier years will be more than covered by the accumulated savings of the past years already on hand, and amounting to Rupees 11,385.- 13. 8 Eleven thousand three hundred and Eighty five, annas thirteen and Pice Six, or more than twice the estimated annual cost of the proposed Institutions

4 These calculations appear to be based on proper data and relying on the assurances of the Collector and the Board as to the sufficiency of the Funds for the due maintenance of the Establishments without any expense to Government beyond the cost of medicines, His Lordship in Council is pleased to authorize the formation of a Dispensary at each of the stations of Vellore and Arcot,

the

the charges for the same being included in the Statement of the expenditure of the Lunger-Khanas annually submitted for sanction, and he desires also that the Institutions be included in the List of Dispensaries under the orders of the Medical Board, and be reported on with others supported by Government.

5 It does not appear from the Boards letter whether the private contributions from the residents of Vellore referred to in the Collectors letter of the 19th December 1853 are likely to be forthcoming, if so, they can be devoted to the purchase of the Building

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Building proposed to be rented, which it is observed is priced at /1,500/ One thousand and Five hundred Rupees, and which if found on further enquiry suited for the purposes of a dispensary, and is substantial, it appears advisable to purchase in preference to renting.

/True Extract/
/Signed/ H. C. Montgomery
Chief Secretary

(46.47)
Bd. No. 1115
Order thereon

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing Extract minutes of Consultation be communicated for the information and guidance of the Collector of North Arcot, with reference to his letter dated 30th March 1854.

2. The sanction of Government for the actual charges for the two Lunguer Khanas for the year 1853 will it is expected be communicated to the Collector in due course.

Extract

RDG

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No. 605

(48)
Bd. No. 1770
From the Secretary to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date 27th May 1854

/From Board 18th May 1854/

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council grants authority for the defence in the first instance at the Public expense of the O.S. No. 43 of 1853 brought against the late Collector of Salem and others in the Sub: Court of the Station by one Ramen; but will determine when Copy of the decree is submitted whether the costs if any be adjudged against the Collector, shall be borne by that Officer or by the Government. —

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27th May 1854

/Signed/ T. Pycroft
Secretary to Government

(48 Aug)
Bd. No. 1091
Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Salem with reference to his letter dated 9th May 1854. —

To

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To

The Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

(50)

B.N.- 1786

From the A.g Coll.r of Ganjam

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Circular letter of the 26th ultimo, together with its accompaniment, calling upon me to explain the causes of the difference between the Statement prepared by the Board and that rendered by the Accountant General, and in reply beg to state, that in the Statement furnished by that Officer the whole of the advances made during Fusly 1260 for repairs of Pans and Salt Extra Charges appears to have been included and the actual payments adjusted within that Fusly to the proper head of Charge after the receipt of the detailed accounts Particular from the different Salt Cotaurs deducted from the advances in question as will appear from the Memoranda herewith submitted

The difference has arisen from the

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Accountant General having included all the advances instead of only the bona fide actual disbursements as explained above. The difference noticed by the Board was not included in the Statement which accompanied the Extra Revenue Report as the Accounts Particular had not been received within Fusly 1260.

Ganjam District,
Collectors Cutchery
Chetterpore, 20th May 1854

Signed W. Kinase
Acting Collector

No. 1

Memo

Amount of Salt Charges for Fusly 1260 as shewn in the Statement prepared by the Board of Revenue		18,524 7 4
Particulars of sums included in the Statement rendered by the Accountant General		
Salt Charges as above enumerated	18,524 7 4	
Add advances made during the same Fusly on account of Repairs of Pans and Extra Charges	1046 9 3	
	19571 1 7	
Deduct the amounts adjusted to the debit of the proper heads of Charges during Di: on the receipt of actual accounts from the several Salt Colaurs	650 4 8	
	18920 11 11	
Difference	396 4 7	
	19317 2 2	

* This amount is included in the sum of Rupees entered in the Statement No. 1 rendered to the Board of Revenue for Fusly 1260.

Signed W. Kinase

Acting Collector

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No. 2

Memorandum shewing the Items comprising the difference shewn in the Statement rendered by the accountant General

	Months	Credit for advances on account of the service of Government as shewn in the monthly Journals	Debits for advances on account of the service of Government as shewn in the monthly accounts Particulars.	Difference
1850	July 31st		28 " "	
	August "		15 " "	
	September	260 7 9	140 7 9	
	October	247	82 " "	
	November	120 4 6	80 4 6	
	December	" " "	137 13 "	
1851	January	" " "	135 " "	
	February	" " "	" " "	
	March	" " "	230 " "	
	April	" " "	" " "	
	May	22 8 5	" " "	
	June	" " "	" " "	
	July 11th	" " "	200 " "	
	Total	650 4 8	1046 9 3	396-4-7

/Signed/ W. Knox.

Acting Collector

Ordered

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Order thereon.

Ordered to lie over

No. 58

To

W. H. Bayley Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

52

BC No. 1732

From the Collector of Vizagapatam

Sir,

I have the honor to request that the Board will issue the necessary instructions to the Superintendent of Stationery to expedite the despatch of the remaining moiety of the Stationery sanctioned for this Collectorate, as much inconvenience is felt from the want of the same.

Vizagapatam Collector's office 20th May 1854

/Signed/ A. Robertson

Collector

BC No. 1093

Resolution thereon

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Resolved that a copy of the foregoing letter be forwarded to the Superintendent of Stationery with a request that the Stationery alluded to therein may be transmitted to the Collector as early as possible.

To

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No. 48

To,

The Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

(54)

B^d No. 1511

From the Collector of Masulipatam

Sir,

With reference to Extract from Board's Proceedings, dated 24th April 1854, I have the honor to state that the necessary alteration will be made in future in the mode of entering the Stamp Revenue in the Demand Collection and Balance sheet— as regards the sum of Rupees 25-12-4 adverted to in the 2d Para of the above Proceedings, I beg to observe that the amount is included in the sum of Rupees 148-11-2 entered against the Head of Extra Revenue in the Demand Collection and Balance statement for the month of September 1853. But no credit was given on the above account to the head of Stamp Revenue for that month, and on the receipt of instructions from the Superintendent of Stamps in October 1853. to take credit for the value of the damaged Stamps returned to him, the said amount of Rupees 25-12-4 as well as the sum of 4 annas were adjusted to the

head

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head of Profit and Loss.—

Masulipatam Collectors Cutcherry, 3rd May 1854

/Signed/ J. D. Cushington

Collector

(54-55)

Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded.—

No. 54

To,

W. H. Bayley Esqre

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

(56)

B^d No. 1703

From the Collector of Nellore

Sir,

With reference to 2d para of your letter dated 9th January last, proposing the grant of Succavi to parties desirous to clear out old wells and ponds for watering cattle, I have the honor to inform you that enquiries have been made with a view to ascertain the wishes of the ryots on the point, the result of which is that it appears to be likely to be attended with beneficial results and the season continuing extremely dry, I consider it desirable to carry out the proposed plan— The Succavi actually applied for amounts to about Rupees 3000 which the parties propose

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propose to make good within a certain number of years, varying from 4 to 10 and the demand seems likely to increase.—

2 I fear however that if so long a period as the above is allowed for repayment it will be difficult to collect the money and that loss will ultimately occur to Government, I, therefore request that sanction may be given for the disbursement of Rupees 3,500 on this account, to be advanced to parties who may give security for its repayment within 3 years.—

Nellore
Collector's Office
18th May 1854

/Signed/ F. B. Elton
Collector

B. No. 1098
Proceedings thereon

(56-57)

The Board of Revenue will be prepared to recommend to Government the grant of the Tuccavy alluded to in the foregoing letter, on the Collector submitting a statement in the prescribed form, meanwhile the Collector will make such disbursements on this account as may be urgently called for.—

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To

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No. 35.

To W. H. Bayley Esq^re
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

(58)

B. No. 1196
From the Collector
of Cuddapah.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a circular letter received from the Board of Revenue dated the 15th November 1852, and in reply beg to forward the only two cases of allowances paid from the Kistbundy deductions not entered in the Statements forwarded by the late Collector to the Board with his letter dated the 14th August 1852 the former of which is an allowance of Rupees 70 per Annum granted to the Pagoda of Vundavanum in the Doopaud taluk, and the other for a Village Servant employed in the collection of the Revenue belonging to the Village and performing the police duties.—

Cuddapah District
Collector's Office on
Circuit Vempully
11th April 1854.

(Signed) H. Murray
Collector

Statement

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...ces paid from the Kistkundy deductions, omitted in the Statement

...ted, name ...e Summds ...s in Support	Nature of the grant. Charity or Service if Service nature of the duty prescribedby the grant.-	Name of the last holder date of his decease and the relationship in which he stood to the Grantee.-	Share enjoyed by the deceased and that held by the other Members.	Family left by the deceased, and name and age of the parties their Circumstances and the means of Subsistance professedby the Family.-
...lew of the ...Mensum paid ...ment from ...of the Village ...the Head ...for the Support ...yluramullaswara ...s &c are ...this allowance ...reeably to the ...lectors W.m Rofs ...ust 1812 D.-	As charity for present- ing Eight as a daily offering to the god to gether with the various Kinds of prepared food &c.-	do	do	do
...taxed on the ...late Collector ...allowance was ...ual Goroonap- ...year 1812..	For Service rendered to the State the Village and performing the police duties.-	in making Collections	Ramoodoo aged 25 years who now performs the duties in the Village is grandson to the party entered in the 3d Column.-	

...t Vempilly 11th April 1854.

forwarded with the late Collectors letter dated the 14th August 1852.

Remarks.-

This allowance is no where to be found in any of the accounts prepared at the time the enamaty Statement were made out in Fusly 1220.- The only documents forthcoming to show that this amount was authorized is an Urzee from the Tahsildar of Doopaud under date the 21st July 1812 to the late Principal Collector stating that this amount had been granted by the former Mahomedan Governments from the Village Sadeerwaud but had been discontinued on the Cession of the country to the British Government that on his going to settle the decennial lease of that Village the inhabitants refused to come to any settlement unless the Amount be continued and the usual services of the temple performed he therefore recommended to the Collector for the Continuance 2 6. P. per Mensem for the maintenance and support of the Pagoda- the Collector in his reply dated 27th August 1812 sanctioned the payment of 2 6. P. which has ever since been continued- Copies of the Tahsildar's Urzee and the Collector's takeed are herewith forwarded- As this Sum has been paid for a very long period- I recommend that it may be paid from the treasury in the same manner as the other allowances to the different Devastanums are made.-

There are no other pions attached to this Moturpha village but the one at present in employ named Ramoodoo- the population may be estimated at 140 Souls in Number and the revenue of Fusly 1202 (1862/63) was Rupees 1828-14-8- It is therefore recommended that the annual allowance of Rupees 17-8- a may be continued in the Name of Ramoodoo the grandson of the party specified in Column 3. his services being considered necessary for collecting the revenue of the Village and discharging the police duties.

(Signed) M. Murray
Collector.-

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(58:59)

Bd. No. 1111

Proceedings thereon.- Resolved that the letter above recorded with the Statement that accompanied it be submitted for the consideration and orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation dated 15th October 1852.

Case No. 1. Of the Two cases mentioned in the above Statement the first is an allowance of 70 Rupees granted for presenting light and food as a daily offering in the Pagoda of Veaghramuckeswara Swamy. There are no documents in support of this grant beyond an order of the late Principal Collector to the Tahsildar of Doopaud dated 27th August 1812, in which that Officer sanctioned the payment of 2 C. Pagodas per Mensem for the support of the Temple. As the grant is of a nature that cannot be continued in perpetuity, the Board recommend that it may be restricted to the life of the present incumbent whose name it is observed, is not reported by the Collector.-

Case No. 2. As it is alleged that the Services of the individual to whom the annual allowance of Rupees 17. 8. - is now paid from the Moturpha Collections of the Village of Wolvulumpet in the Chitvail Taloork are necessary for collecting the revenue of the village and discharging its police duties, the Board recommend that the allowance may be continued as a charge upon the Treasury as

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as long as the Moturpha tax remains in its present form.-

No. 18.

To. B. Cunliffe Esqre.
Sub Secretary
in charge of the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

(60)

Bd. No. 1757

From the Agent to the Governor at Kurnool. Sir.

With reference to the Circular order of the 27th March 1851, I have the honor to submit the required Return of the actual expenditure on account of the Lunger Khanah Establishment in the District, for the year 1853, and to state that there have been 8 Casualties during the year, and the vacancies occasioned thereby have been filled up by other deserving objects.-

2. The recipients of this charity attend daily at the new dispensary, where the Medical Officer affords to them such Medical Relief as they may require. The Assistant Agent and the Medical Officer form a Committee of Management and adopt every necessary precaution to prevent misapplication of the Funds, and to guard against fraud and abuse on the part of the applicants for relief.

Kurnool District
Govt. Agent's Office On Circuit
Sirvall 20th May 1854.

(Signed) J. Conway
Agent to the Governor

Statement

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Statement Shewing the actual Charges incurred by the Lunger Khana at Kurnool from 1st January to 31st December 1853.

No.	Description of Persons	Lame.	Blind.	Cripples.	Destitute Persons.	Total Male.	Total Female	Total
1	Brahmins	2	3	"	"	3	2	5
2	Mussulman	5	14	3	2	13	11	24
3	Commattee	"	1	"	"	1	"	1
4	Marattas	"	"	"	1	"	1	1
5	Baarer Caste	"	1	"	"	1	"	1
6	Fortune Tellers	"	1	"	"	"	1	1
	Total	7	20	3	3	18	15	33

Kurnool District, Government Agents Office
on Circuit Sirwell, 20th May 1854.

29th May 1854.

on account of Persons supported by the Funds of to 31st December 1853.

Amount allowed to each individual per diem.	No. of Days.	Total Amount Paid.	Remarks.
Rs. As.		Rupees As.	
" "	6 1600	50 "	Four persons of this Caste received the allowance during the whole year and one for 168 days only and the latter having died a Mahomedan was substituted in his place.
" "	6 8200	256 4 "	16 Persons of this Caste received for the whole year and 8 for broken periods.
" "	6 358	11 3 "	Received for the whole year.
" "	6 358	11 3 "	Ditto
" "	6 358	11 3 "	Ditto
" "	6 358	11 3 "	Ditto
" "	" 11232	351 " "	

(Signed) T. Conway
Agent to the Governor.

Abstract

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Order thereon.- Ordered to lie over.-

To The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

(62)

Bd. No. 1496.

From the Acting Collector of Chingleput.-

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 9th January last, I have the honor to request the sanction of the Board for advancing Rupees 7000 in the current year for excavating new wells as well as for repairing old ones for purposes of irrigation. I have already received numerous applications on the subjects and whatever may be the prospects of the ensuing year every encouragement to the creation of such permanent sources of irrigation appears to me highly desirable. The necessary precautions will be taken for securing the outlay of the sum in the important objects contemplated as well as for its recovery by reasonable Instalments in the course of two years. Fuslies 1264 and 1265.

Chingleput District
Collector's Circuit Cutchery
Giriwdy 6th May 1854.

(Signed) G. A. Ellis
Acting Collector.

Bd. No. 1105.

(62-63)

Proceedings thereon- The acting Collector is requested to submit an Estimate in the prescribed form for the advance alluded to in the foregoing

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Abstract of receipts and Disbursements on account of Lungers Expenses
Recorded for the year 1853.

Balance for the year 1852 ____ Rs. 10 13.
Add
Amount for the year 1853 at ____ 360 " "
30 Rupees per Mensem
370 13 "

Deduct
Amount disbursed as detailed in the Margin ____ 357 " "

Balance on hand ____ 13 "

(Signed) C. [illegible]
Agent to the Governor.

Ordered

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foregoing letter meanwhile the necessary
advances will be made by that Officer.

To The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue,
Fort St. George.

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B. No. 1497.
From the Acting Collector
of Chingleput. }

Sir,

Adverting to Extract
from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated the 16th February last requiring me
to explain why Special Sanction was not
obtained in reference to the Circular orders
of the 13th July 1826 for imposing a fine of
20 Rupees on the late Tahsildar of
Peddapolliem, I have the honor to state that
Mr. Cochrane would appear to have lost sight
of the order referred to. The Tahsildar evinced
a marked disregard to the orders issued
to him from this Office for maintaining in an
efficient State the supplying Channel to
the Porel Tank yielding a large revenue
to Government, and he having been previously
fined in small Sums for neglect of duty
on different occasions the imposition of
a large amount of penalty was
considered necessary.-

Chingleput District
Collector's Circuit Cutcherry
Guindy 5th May 1854. }

(Signed) G. A. Ellis
Acting Collector.

Order thereon- Ordered to be recorded.-

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To

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To

B. Cuthliffe Esqr.

Sub Secretary
to the Board of Revenue
in charge.

66

B. No. 1742. Sir,

From the Acting Collector
of Chingleput. - }

Adverting to Extract
from the Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue under date
the 13th February last, forwarding
for my opinion Extract from
the Minutes of Con:
=sultation dated the 14th Janu=
=ary preceding relative to the
Standard of examination
to

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to be passed by Junior Civil Servants on occasions of promotion, I have the honor to state that the two Assistants to the Collector are anxious to await the introduction of new rules on the subject which they are led to believe will shortly be issued.

Chingleput District, Collector's Circuit Cutcherry, Chingleput 22d May 1854.

(Signed) G. H. Ellis
Acting Collector.

Order thereon — Ordered to lie over.

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To

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No. 36

To

W. H. Bayley Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

(68)

Sir,

Dd No. 1102
From the Collector
of North Arcot

In an Extract from their Proceedings dated November 17th 1853, the Board of Revenue asks for further explanation on certain points in the assessment of the lately resumed Amoor tenure Village of Samanellore in Trivettoor Talook, I have the honor to enclose copy of a letter from my Sub Collector Mr Bunning, dated 25th March 1854, which supplies the necessary information on all the points specified by the Board.

North Arcot
Collector's Circuit Cutcherry
Poloor 6th April 1854.

(Signed) J D Boundillon
Collector

No. 10

To

J D Boundillon Esqre
Collector of North Arcot

Sir,

Para 1 With reference to Extract from Proceedings of Board of Revenue under date the 17th of November 1853, directing me (while acting Collector) to state whether the differences in the rate of assessment on

on the several classes of Nunjah land in the Village of Samanelloor in the Talook of Trivettoor as compared with that of similar classes in the neighbouring Villages is owing to a difference in the nature of the soil or to other causes, and at the same time calling on me for information regarding the Amount of produce per Cawny for the 1st and 2d Crops in Nunjah land in the Village of Naikenpolliem, and means of irrigation, I have the honor to state that the decrease in Teerwah per Cawny in Samanelloor compared with the neighbouring Village of Naikenpolliem has been occasioned by the following causes. The Commutation rate of the probable produce of the wet lands of Samanelloor has been fixed at 5 Cullums per Pagoda, while that of Naikenpolliem, a Village originally belonging to the District of South Arcot and subsequently attached to this District stands at 3 3/4 Cullums per Pagoda. A sum of 1/16th of a Pagoda was moreover added to the Teerwah on the lands of the latter named Village as contingent Charges, and some difference in the rate of teerwah on Nunjah land (an increase on the 1st and 2d and a decrease on the 3d and 4th turums) was made in July 1215 by Mr Ravenshaw, then Collector of South Arcot. Besides this, certain Manials on fees of the Village servants of Naikenpolliem and deducted according to custom from the assessment. For these

reasons the teerwah fixed on the wet lands of Samanelloor does not correspond with that of the adjoining Village of Naikenpolliem.—

2 As regards the Amount of produce per Cawny for the 1st and 2d crops in the Nunjah lands of the Village of Naikenpolliem, I beg to annex hereto a Statement affording the information required, and as regards the means of irrigation, I beg to observe that the lands of Naikenpolliem are watered by the great tanks of Doosy Mamundoor.—

Classes	Produce per Cawny 1st crop		2d Crop		Total	
	Cullums	Measls	Cullums	Measls	Cullums	Measls
1st	20	"	10	"	30	"
2d	15	"	7	6	22	6
3d	10	"	6	3	16	3
4th	7	"	5	6	12	6

3 In the latter portions of 2d para of the Proceedings of the Board above referred to, it is stated that "the Board conclude that if Mr Binning in fixing the assessment did as he says take into account the commutation prices, he must also have had data for the Amount of produce to which those prices were applied." The following exhibits the particulars of cultivation, amount of produce &c in Samanelloor during ten Fasslies.

Fasslies

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Pantalies

2 Crops

Land Produce Average for County

Average for County

	Cawnies	Annas	Cullums	Mercals	Cullums	Annas	Cullums	Mercals	Cullums	Annas	Cullums	Mercals
1249	8	10	144	7 1/8	26	5	31	9				
1252	15	6	48	3 3/8	16	4	178	1 1/8				
1253	17	8	66	2 5/8	11	8½	172	1 1/2				
1254	22	6	74	10 1/2	"	6	7	11/8				
1255	3	14	105	10 1/8	"	1	300	1 1/2				
1256	"	"	"	"	17	"	317	8 5/8				
1257	13	7	195	6 3/8	28	9	317	8 5/8				
1258	12	11	373	10 1/2	10	4	158	9 3/4				
1259	10	8	372	3 3/8	16	10	191	10 1/8				
1260	5	8	132	9 3/4	12	15	161	9 3/8				
					29	14	364	3 3/5				
					169	12½	2174	5				
					16	15 5/8	217	5 1/4	12	31		9 3/4
					19	7 1/8	247	8½	15	30	2¼	3 3/4
					24	6 3/8	387	8 1/8	15	31	"	10 3/4

Fusilies

Average per person
According to the Taxes Settlement made in July 1261 — 21 — 13¼ — 658 — 11 3/4

According to the enumeration made in July 1261 — 16 — 14 — 523 — 17 1/2

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Note. The accounts of Fusilies 1250 and 1251 are not forthcoming and are supposed to have been destroyed when in the possession of the Shroffs concerned.

The Cullum is calculated at 12 Mercals or 32 Puddies.

4 I have to apologize for not having replied to these questions before now. The Extract of Proceedings of the Board reached me when I was acting Collector, and I referred the matter to Mr Sullivan then acting Sub Collector. On my return to the Sub Division I was under the impression that the information has been afforded and the subject disposed of, and it is only lately that I discovered that no answer had as yet been rendered.

North Arcot ..... / Signed / R M Bunning
Sub Collector's Circuit Cutcherry — Sub Collector
Ramipett 25th March 1854 } / True Copy /
/ Signed / J D Boundillon
Collector

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Order thereon.

Ordered to be recorded.

No. 119.

To W H Bayley Esqre
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St George

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B. No. 11467

From the Collector of South Arcot

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge your Circular Letter of 24th Ultimo enclosing an abstract of

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of the Salt revenue and charges for fusly 1260 as prepared from the accounts in the Board's and Accountant Generals Offices, and calling for explanation regarding the discrepancies which appear therein as respects this Collectorate.

2. The abstract in question shows a differrence of Rupees 513-14-4 in the Salt Gross revenue, and I beg to explain that this arises from the Accountant Generals Statement including the two extra items shown in the Margin as will appear on reference to the Statement A and the printed Statement forwarded to the Board with the report upon how the extra charges of revenue for that fusly

Accountant Generals Statement	27,8376-8-3	
Boards Ditto	27,7862-9-11	
	513-14-4	
Succary recovery	513-2- "	
Refund of Charges	" 12-4	
	513-14-4	

3 According to the abstract there is a difference of Rupees 2,185-10-6 in the Salt charges, as shown in the Statements prepared by the two Offices, and there appears to have been some mistake regarding which I request that the Board will obtain information from the Accountant General, as the total abstract of receipts and disbursements for that fusly (1260) according to the Copy in my Office shows a total of Rupees 47,418-8-4 (omitting Succary advance of Rupees 700) instead of 49,604-3-1. Should a reference to the Accountant General not reconcile the discrepancy, I request that I may be furnished with the details which form the Salt charges in that Officers Statement to enable me to supply the necessary explanation

Accountant Generals Statement	49,604-3-1	
Boards Ditto	47,418-8-7	
	2,185-10-6	

South Arcot
Collectors Cutcheery
Cuddalore 2d May 1854

/Signed/ E. Maltby
Collector

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Ordered that the following letter be sent in consequence.-

70-71
Bd's No. 1097
To the Accountant Genl ...
d/2d in Cons 29th May 1854

To
The Accountant General

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to forward to you Extract from a letter from the Collector of South Arcot on the subject of a discrepancy in the Salt Charges of fusly 1260 as entered in your General Revenue Statement for that fusly and as shown in his report to this Office.

2 The Board request that you will be good enough to favor them with any information you may possess as to the cause of the above discrepancies.-

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
29th May 1854

/Signed/ B Cunliffe
Sub Secretary in Charge

To

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No. 53.

To

B. Cunliffe Esqre

Sub Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge your letter of the 1st instant requesting me to explain the cause of an increase of 19075 Maunds in the quantity of salt supplied to the French Government in Fusly 1262.

	Indian Maunds
Fusly 1262	43848 – 12
" 1261	24772 – 32
	19075 – 20

2. In reply I beg to remark that the account of the Salt delivered to the French Government is necessarily a running one and is based upon the receipts given for it upon delivery by the Pondicherry Authorities – Thus 8400 Maunds which were indented for at the close of Fusly 1261 were brought into the account of 1262, and the Board will observe that while according to the accounts only 24,772 Maunds were supplied in 1261 the quantity furnished in the preceding year was 36,341 Maunds. –

J

72

Bd's No. 1525

From the Collector of South Arcot.

Explains the cause of an increase in the quantity of salt supplied to the French Government in Fusly 1262.

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3. I further beg to remark that as long as the Convention last to which was entered into between the Madras and Pondicherry Governments on the 1st June 1837 it is incumbent upon me to furnish the Salt which is required by the French authorities for the consumption of Pondicherry and its adjacent territories – In my letter of the 24th ultimo I expressed my opinion that the quantity annually indented for is not excessive, and it is to be considered that as Pondicherry is a place of active trade the numerous strangers and the shipping which resort to it must be taken into account, when estimating the quantity of salt consumed as well as its fixed population. –

4 The French authorities are in the habit of applying for salt at irregular intervals when their stock on hand becomes low, so that the annual supplies vary much and have ranged from a maximum of 57,600 Maunds in 1832 to a minimum of 8,760 Maunds in 1237. The average of the late annual supply has slightly increased, but this is to be accounted for by an increasing population, and now that the Mass of the people have been placed in easier circumstances by the reduction of the land assessment to the extent of one third

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thund, it is to be expected that the demand for all articles of consumption including Salt will be unchanged:-

South Arcot ..... }
Collectorate Cutcherry .. }
Cuddalore 6th May 1834. }

/ Signed / E Maltby
Collector

Ordered to be recorded
A. Sd.

(72-73)
Ordered thereon
Vide Memo to Government 5th June 1834

To W. H. Bayley Esqre
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St George

(74)
B. Pc. 1739

Sir,

From the Collector of Tanjore.

I The Board's Proceedings of the 25th November 1832 remains still unreplied to in this Office, not from inattention to the subject of them, but from there not to Tanjore.

Whole there are a hundred thousand scales of Punjah land and thirty thousand of Poonjah there are in the whole province only 520 scales irrigated from wells, and as explained in my letter of the 19th November last, the wells that exist are not such as are in other districts, worked by cattle lined with stone, and substantial and valuable property, but small holes of three feet diameter, worked only by the hand

With the Board's permission therefore, I propose to omit the Statements called for in the proceedings referred to above, as inapplicable to this province.

Tanjore .... }
Chetoobanah .. }
29th April 1834 }

/ Signed / A Forbes
Collector

Ordered thereon
(74-75)
FBG

Ordered to lie over ... To

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No. 35.

To B. Cunliffe Esqre
Sub Secretary
in Charge
Fort St. George

(76)
Bd. Pc. 1660

From the Collector of Trichinopoly

Sir,

With reference to the accompanying Copy of an Extract from the Proceedings of the Foujdaree Adalut, dated 8th I have the honor to request sanction may be obtained for repaying the sum of 15 Rupees to the party who was fined on the 5th January last by the Assistant Magistrate for Fraud, which sum has already been carried to account in last months.

Trichinopoly ....
Collector's Office ....
15th May 1834

/ Signed / J. Bird
Collector

No 1

Extract from the Proceedings of the Foujdaree Adalut under date the 8th May 1834.

Read Calender of Petty cases disposed

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disposed of by the Magistracy of Trichinopoly during the 1st Quarter of 1854.

Case No. 1.

1 The fraud charged in this case having been committed upon the Assistant Magistrate, the trial of the case by that Officer was extremely irregular.

2 The Assistant Magistrate was virtually the prosecutor and it was therefore not competent to him to act as Judge in the case.

3 Under these circumstances the Court resolve to direct that the fine imposed upon the prisoner be remitted.

4 The Court are surprised that the sentence should have been passed unnoticed both by the Magistrate and Session Judge.

Ordered that Extract from these Proceedings be sent to the Session Judge of Trichinopoly for information

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communication to the Magistrate.

/ True Extract /

/ Signed / A. J. Arbuthnot

Acting Register

To The Magistrate of Trichinopoly for his information and guidance

/ True Copy /

/ Signed / T. J. P. Harris

Session Judge

/ True Copy /

/ Signed / J. Bird

Collector

76-77

Bd No. 1110

No. 221

Proceedings thereon. Resolved that the foregoing letter with its enclosure be submitted for the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, with the Board's recommendation that

sanction

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sanction be granted for the refund of Rupees /15/ fifteen, being the amount of fine imposed on a party by the Assistant Magistrate, and ordered to be returned by the Tuyadaree Udalut

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Read again letter from the Collector of Madura dated 22d March and Entered in Consultation 1st August last.

To

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No 88

To W. H. Bayley Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St George

78

Bd No 1176

From the Collector of Madura
Reports on Government Petition No 2329 of 1853.

Sir,

Para 1

I am returning the accompanying Petition presented to the Government,

+ No 2329 of 1853
+ Board No 5 of 1854

I have the honor to state that it has no reference whatever to the subject of Government Petition No 90 of 1857 and to Board Petition No 7 of 1857 noted in the Endorsement.

2. Those Petitions contained a claim to the Village of Paundagoody on the part of the Head Pundarum in possession of the Pannamaley Devastanum which was reported on in my letter of the 22d March 1853.

3 The present Petition is preferred against the Head Pundarum in possession by a competitor for that situation. Under date the 7th July 1853 the Acting Collector referred him to the Civil Court, which

is

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is obviously the only course which could be pursued. He now asks to receive back a Petition sent by Tapaal to the Collector so far back as the 16th October 1847, which is not found on the Records. It is only in rare instances that Petitions by Tapaal can be attended to by the Collector and Magistrate, for we cannot examine in the absence of the Petitioner, or even be sure that the Petition is a genuine

The name of the Petitioner and of the Petitioner in Board No 7 of 1857 being the same, is owing to it being the official name of the Pundaram of the Pannuilly Devastanum, which would be assumed by any pretending to that Office.

Madura
10th April
1854.

/Signed/ R. S. Parker
Collector

To

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Ordered to be submitted to Government with the following letter.

No 228

To
The Chief Secretary to
Government.

(78-79)
Bd No 1118

To the Chief Secretary to Government.

Submitting reports from the Collector of Madura on two Petitions, and stating that the Board concur with the Collector in the inadmissibility of the claim to the Devastanum Village mentioned in the former and that the claim in the latter ought to be adjudicated by the Civil Court.

Sir

I am directed by the Board of Revenue with reference to the Orders of Government noted in the Margin to

17th February 1857 on Petition No 90 of 1857
14th February 1857 on Petition No 2329 of 1853.

submit the accompanying letters from the Collector of Madura dated 22d March 1853 and 10th April 1854 reporting on the Petitions therewith forwarded. As the first of these Petitions relates to the disposal of a Devastanum Village, it was considered expedient to delay the Collector's report thereon till the Board's general report on the Devastanum question had been

been submitted to Government, which
27th February 1854. was only recently done
No 30 of 1857.

2 In this Petition the Dubashes
Sunta of the Perumnalay Devastanum
prays for the restoration of the Village
of Poundagoody, which formerly
In Fasly 1210. belonged to it, but which had been ever
long ago incorporated with Circar
lands. The Village in question is in-
cluded in the 99 Villages referred to
in Para 16 of the Report of the Board
dated 27th February 1854. It has been
in the hands of Government ever since
the cession of the Country, and the
Collector states that no disbursements
have ever been made from its income
towards the support of the Perannially
Devastanum from that time in con-
sequence of that institution being largely
Endowed in the Shevagunga Zemundary.

3 As the Institution has never
had enjoyment of the Village since the
assumption of the Country by the British
Government, the Board concur in opinion with

with the Collector as to the inadmissible
character of the claim preferred.

In the Petition a Complaint is
Petition No 2329 of 1853 preferred by one Sunvana Tamberan against
Ponnumbala Tambiran, the Head Pundaram
of the Terovana Malay Devastanum, on
account of the latter having been appointed
to the Office in preference to himself. This
is evidently a matter coming under section
XIV Regulation VII of 1817, and as such
ought to be adjudicated in a Civil Court, to
which the Petitioner was properly referred
by the Collector in the first instance.

The other matter complained of has
been satisfactorily explained in the
Collector's report on the petition

Revenue Board Office
Fort St George
29th May 1854 } Signed B. Cunliffe
Sub Secretary in Charge

Read the following Papers

No 82

To
B Cunliffe Esq
Sub Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St George

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Bd No 1747

From the Collector
of Madura } Sir,

I have the honor to forward a State-
ment explanatory of the difference between the Statements
furnished to the Board and Accountant General's returned in
Mr Bayley's letter of the 24th April last.

Madura
Butlagoontah
19th May 1854 } Signed R D Parker
Collector.

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No 1 Statement explanatory of the discrepancies between the Accountant General and the Extra Revenue Report

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Items	As per Accountants General's Statement	As per Extra Revenue Report	Increase
	Rs a P	Rs a P	Rs a P
Gross Revenue —	2,98,470 1 1	2,99,982	1511 14 11

Value of Salt wastage not included in the Accountant Generals Statement. 5352 4 9

Collections from 12th June to 11th July Fusly 1260 in the Salt Amildar's Treasury not included in Fo — Fo 2,446 8 .

2,9517 4 9

Deduct items not included in the Report, but in the Statement.

Collections from 12th June to 11th July Fusly 1259 received in the Honzoor Treasury in Fusly 1260 28,114 8 .

Fines &c. Sundry Receipts in Fusly 1260 190 13 10

28,305 5 10

Balance 1511 14 11

Charges — 4,257 6 3 4,663 11 . 5352 49

The increase is the Amount of wastage not included in the Accountant Generals Statement.

Madura Buttagoontah 19th May 1854

/ Signed / R. S. Parker
Collector

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(80-81)

Order thereon.

Ordered to lie over

No 152

To

W. H. Bayley Esqre.

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

(82)

B. No 1785

From the Collector of Tinnevelly

Sir,

With reference to your Circular of the 24th April last, and its Enclosure, in which a difference of Rupees 88-10 and Rupees 88-12-5 are noticed respectively in the Salt Collections and charges in this District for Fusly 1269, as resulting from a comparison of the entries in the Accountant General's statement, with those in the report sent to the Board from this Office, I have the honor to inform you that the difference of Rupees 52-"-10 is the amount of fine collected in the Salt Department during the Fusly, which

+ Vide Statement No 4 of the Extra Revenue Report.

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which appear not to have been taken into account while making the comparison.

As regards the difference of Rupees 88-12-5 in the charges, I beg to state that the amount of Salt charges exhibited in the Fusly abstract sent to the Accountant General is Rupees 39941-"-9 and corresponds with the sums given in the Report how the charges are entered at Rupees 40032-13-2 in the Accountant General's statement, as abstracted in the enclosure of the letter under reply, cannot be known here.

Tinnevelly

22d May 1854

/Signed/ C. J. Bird

Collector

(82-83)

Order thereon

Ordered to lie over

No 22

To

W. H. Bayley Esqre.

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

(82)

B. No 920

From the Collector of Coimbatore

Sir,

With reference to my letters

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of the 16th November and 21st January last, Nos 89 and 6, respectively, I have the honor to forward for the Board's information, Copy of letter from Mr A. R. W. Lascelles with its enclosure, dated 23d Ultimo, and my reply thereto. 50 Cawnies of Forest land are said to have been thus purchased by Mr Lascelles from a Coorumber, immediately on the receipt of the Board's decision of the 17th November last declining to allow Mr Lascelles more land in that locality.

2. Having fully stated in my above letters the necessity of reserving the Forest on the † Nilgherries, I deem it unnecessary to recapitulate the same here, and therefore request the Board's consideration on the above point.

3. Mr Lascelles has already denuded a large portion

† at Hoolicul

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portion of the Road up the Ghaut of shade where it was especially needed, and the destruction is generally complained of.

Coimbatore 20th March 1854

/ Signed / E. B. Thomas
Collector

P. S. I beg to append the Tahsildar's report on the transaction.

/ Signed / E. B. Thomas
Collector

No 34

To A. R. W. Lascelles Esqre
Coonoor

Sir

1. I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23d Ultimo, No 10, and its enclosure, I regret that I cannot recognize as you wish, the right of one or more of the Coorumbers to sell to you, as professed in the English deed of sale you send for, any

in

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information / a tract of Forest land where their right evens to cultivate is merely permissive, and to sell fictitious and inadmissible.

2. They can clearly sell nothing, but the small patches actually by Pattah under their cultivation, and then as you are well aware, only after making it known to the local authorities according to the usual rules of the District

3. An English deed of sale such as you enclose from a poor half wild Coroomber with his X to it can only appear to all who know them, a doubtful and invalid as well as novel document. I have referred the matter to the Board of Revenue and request you will refrain from cutting more forest till their orders are received

/ Signed / C. B. Thomas.
Collector.

A true Copy
/ Signed / C. B. Thomas
Collector

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No 10.

To The Collector of Coimbatore.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for your information Copy of a Deed of sale of certain land / viz the District situated underneath the Neelgiri Droog Range of Hills, and at present occupied and cultivated by Coroomburs.

I beg at the same time to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th November, giving cover to an Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 17th Ulto respecting the Land applied for by me on the Coonoor Ghaut.

Coonoor
January 23d 1854

/ Signed / A. R. W. Lascelles

To
The Collector of
Coimbatore

Be it known unto all men

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Know that I Donah. Cannasamy of the Beypr. Murray village in the Nelligherry Talook of the Coimbatore District, have sold and assigned to A Lascelles Esqre of Coonoor absolutely and for ever, all that tract and piece of land on the Hoolicul Drong Hill, known as Dundee Cudevah Doggnay and bounded on the East by the Coonoor river, on the South by precipices and heavy forest by the stream which comes down from Hoolicul Drong, on the north by the upper edge of the highest piece of any cultivation, and by precipitous land and rocks, and on the West by a small Stream and an Earth ship and large real rock, and the extent of the said land being estimated at 50 Cawnies, for and in consideration of the sum of Fifty Rupees, the receipt of which I hereby acknowledge, and I do also promise and agree to execute any further deed or deeds that may be considered requisite to ensure the aforesaid A. Lascelles Esqre the quiet and peaceable possession of the said land with all its appurtenances immunities and privileges. In witness whereof I have hereto affixed my mark in the presence of

Donah. Cannasamy his X mark

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2d January 1854. Ben Espin.
Coffee Estate. Neilgherries.

"True Copy"
"Signed" A. B. W. Lascelles
"True Copies"
"Signed" E.B. Thomas
Collector

Translation of an Arzee from the Tahsildar of the Neilgherry Talook Dated 4th March, 1854.

As directed in a Tarkeed No 170 dated 30th January last I inspected the plantain Garden purchased by Mr Lascelles for Rupees 50 from one Coramba Bowmen, the land in question is not held

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held by the said Cookoonrber on any Pattah. He says that he sold that land to Mr. Lascelles, and has spents the price thereof Rupees 50, and that he is unable to refund the same - on my asking Mr. Lascelles to give up the land on receiving back the amount paid by him, he replied that he will neither receive back the money nor give up the land that he purchased it under your honors instructions, that he has written to the Board of Revenue on the subject of the said land and that he will not put the Tiles &c. on that land until he get answer.

[Signed] Mahomed Rafeeq
Tahsildar

True Translation
[Signed] E. B. Thomas
Collector

I am not aware of any. S.C.E.T.

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Read again letter dated 18th February 1854 from Mr. A. R. W. Lascelles of Ootacamund, forwarding correspondence between himself and the Collector of Coimbatore on the subject of certain land he purchased from one Coonumber and appealing against the orders of the Collector prohibiting the clearance of the forest thereon.—

(84-85)
B. St. No. 1102
Proceedings

In the first of the letters above recorded Mr. Lascelles charges the Collector with entertaining personal feelings against him as evinced in every official act of his in which he (Mr. Lascelles) has been concerned since July last, and with continually misleading those who look to him for information upon the subjects connected with his Department, the Board however observe that they see nothing in the present correspondence evincing any feeling of hostility towards Mr. Lascelles and that the charge of misrepresentation is without foundation.—

In his letter of the 9th February 1854 to Mr. Lascelles, the Collector admits the

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the right of the Coorumbers to sell the patches actually under their cultivation by Puttah, and therefore the right of Mr. Lascelles to do with the land as he pleased: but in regard to the forest tract, he remarks that the right of the Coorumbers even to cultivate it is merely permission and therefore to sell inadmissible. The Board observe that this seems in accordance with para XII of the Manual of Instructions, where it is stated that the right of the Todas over the Nilgherry table land are in the judgment of the Home Government simply those of pasturing their herds over the hitherto unreclaimed portion of it." "No party therefore purchasing land from the Todas can be held to have bought any other right than that of pasturage," and again "No purchase concluded with a Burgher can confer a title to any land unless the land sold be Shrycal: i.e. land immediately in the occupation of and under cultivation by the latter: and that subject to the limitations and condition of such description of land."

C O Book page 688.

3 The Board therefore have no hesitation

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hesitation in declaring their opinion that Mr. Lascelles purchase of such lands as were held by the Coorumber on puttah, is valid; but that the purchase of the Forest lands is inadmissible.

4 The Collector will be guided by these instructions in dealing with the case. Meanwhile, he will expedite the despatch of his reply to the Boards Proceedings of the 20th March last; in order that any point not adverted to in these Proceedings may, if necessary, be noticed.

No. 39

To,

W. H. Bayley Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

(86)
B. H. 1301
From the Collector
of Coimbatore

Sir,

I have the honor to forward
* Return Required 2* Plans and a specification of two pieces of land at Conor measuring about 9 Cawnies applied for by Mr. A. R. W. Lascelles for building purposes, and to request the Boards authority

authority to dispose of the same by public auction as usual – there will be no public inconvenience by the grant of the land in question to Mr. Lascelles.–

Conoor, – – –
26th April, 1854. } I Signed I E. B. Thomas
Collector

No. 1
Memorandum
Mr. A. R. W. Lascelles

applies for two pieces of land at Conoor measuring about 5 Cawnies, bounded as particularized in the accompanying ex Plan 5 Cawnies 1 D° 4 — 11 / 9 Patches, respectively – their occupancy is unobjectionable – The upset prices thereon calculated at 8 years quit rents is 4 – per Cawny per annum vide Para – 7 of the Upset Price Four Cawnies 16 – 13 – 4 4 – D° – 36 – 10 – 8 Rupees 46 – 13 – 4, and 36 – 10 – 8 respectively at 1-2 Board's Manual.–

Conoor –
26th April, 1854. } I Signed I E. B. Thomas
Collector
B° No. 1092

No. 2 & 3 Plans

Proceedings thereon.– Under paras VI and VII of (86-87) the Manual of Instructions for the grant of lands on the Neilgherry Hills, the

the Board of Revenue direct that the two spots applied for by Mr. A. R. W. Lascelles, measuring 5 and 4 Cawnies severally, be put up to public auction at the upset prices of Rupees 46 – 13 – 4 and Rupees 36 – 10 – 8 respectively calculated at 8 years Quit Rent, agreeably to the recommendation of the Collector, and that they be Knocked down to the highest bidder, or to the applicant, if there be no advance upon it, subject to the conditions and limitations prescribed in that Manual.–

No. 56

To W. H. Bayley Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

(88)
B° No. 997
From the Acting Collector of Madras }

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 13th June 1853, I have the honor to explain that tho' Dr. Meyer has been reminded from time to time, his arduous duties have hitherto prevented his forwarding the promised report on the Distillery

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Distillery. His last letter dated 17th Instant is annexed for the information of the Board.—

Madras
30th March, 1854

(Signed) H Stokes
Acting Collector

To,

The Acting Collector
of Madras

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge your letter of the 18th instant, and in reply have to state that hitherto I have been so incessantly occupied that I have not been able to turn my attention to the Subject which you refer to.— I am quite aware of the length of time which has elapsed since the receipt of your last letter — and it no doubt appears to you, either that your request has escaped my attention, or that I am not assiduous and earnest in the execution of such duties as I should be. I beg to assure you that neither is this the fact, nor has the subject been overlooked. The real state of the case is that it could not serve any useful purpose if I undertook the task assigned me, while I could only

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only devote to it an occasional hour.— The only time beyond such an occasional hour that I have had since the date of your letter was last year — during the three Months vacation allowed to the Medical College.— I could not unfortunately avail myself of this period in consequence of continued ill-health which even prevented me for a Month from resuming my duties as a teacher. I look forward to the next vacation, now close at hand to afford me the opportunity required.— I am now busily engaged in a Report on Salt for the Revenue Board and on an investigation on Lime, Mortar &c for the Military Board, independent of my duties as a teacher and Storekeeper. I trust this explanation of the causes of delay in reporting on Distillation, as here practised, will prove Satisfactory to you, and to the Government, should this delay on my part have occupied their attention — in this case perhaps you will do

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do me the favor to forward a copy of this letter with your report on the question.

Madras, 17th March 1854

/Signed/ J. Mayer
Professor of Chemistry

/True Copy/
/Signed/ H. Stokes
Acting Collector

(88.89) Order thereon
Ordered to be recorded

(90)
B. of R. 1740

From the Acg Collector of Madras

To,
No 89
W. H. Bayley Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir,

As required by the Board in your letter of the 2d "Ultimo, I have the honor to forward the accompanying Memorandum explaining the differences between the Salt charges as prepared in this Office and in that of the Accountant General.

2 It is found that the principle differences are;

First That the due per centage of the Collectors Salary is charged to Salt by the Accountant General and not in this Office. In future it may be more proper to

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to adhere to the course observed by the Accountant General.-

Second. The Canal toll on Salt is omitted in the Accountant General's charges, and included in ours. Although this charge involves no actual disbursement of Government Funds, still it seems proper to include it.-

The third difference is that the Accountant General has omitted from his Statement charges made by adjustment or Transfer entries - such for example as the payment of Manufacturer's Share for Chingleput Salt, as the same is paid in Chingleput, and only adjusted in the Accounts of this Office by transfer - This clearly leads to a wrong result as it is a bonafide item in the cost of Salt

/Signed/ H. Stokes
Acting Collector

Madras
29th May 1854.-

Memorandum

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To:-

G. Cunliffe Esquire

Sub Secretary in charge

Board of Revenue.

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B.N.- 1726

From the Superintendent of Stamps - - - - -

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt if an Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated the 18th Instant and to state that agreeably to the instructions therein conveyed, I have invited fresh Tenders for the Supply of Paper for the Stamps Office, under the restrictions, and provisions suggested by the Board.-

From Para: 2 of the above mentioned Proceedings I learn that the Board have had under consideration Petitions complaining of the method of determining the Tenders to be accepted, addressed to them by the following parties.—

1st Andavaraka charloo described as the 41st person on Mr Porters list"—

2 Veerasawmy described as "N:-2-

3 an anonymous Petition-

Andavaraka charloo is designated by the Board in Para 4 as "the agent of L V. Gnanaiah chetty" on his appearance before me he

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Explanation of a difference found by the Board between the Collectors & Accountant Generals Accounts

Remarks

Statement of the amount of Stamp Revenue including the Boards Sale Returns Report &c &c Accountant General shews it to be credited under each head of Debit

Salary ... 5248/14/10 5245/14/10 ... " " " " Allowed do

Establishment ... 718 24 8 8 11 " " " " Do do

Extra Charges ... 19388 8 8 26906/16 2 19388 8 6 " " " " Do do

Stff & Manufacturers stores 20089/5/11 12536/15/1 12486 9 2 " " " " Do do

Contingencies ... 3916 5 1 3916 5 1 " " " " Do do

Extra Revenue for which no Stamps have been added ... 19387 8 8 17471 6 1 14790 6 10 14698 8 10 " " " "

Add ... 3 5 8 1468 8 10 " " " "

19282 11 9 5:6:9 12 5 " " " "

Net Increase shewn by the Board ... 3 5 8 " " " "

5916 5 6 " " " "

Madras 23rd May 1854.

Order thereon

(Signed) E Stokes
Acting Collector.

Ordered to file Over.—

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he distinctly stated that his Tender was on his own account and I should certainly have rejected his offer at once had he represented himself as the agent of any other person without producing a written authority from his employer—

4. Veerasawmy who is mentioned as "No. 2" on my List I suspect to be another person of the same name who sent Tenders by Tappal which as well as the man himself made their appearance at the Office two days after the other Tenders had been opened and who departed in evident displeasure on being informed that his reasons for not having given in his proposals within the prescribed time could not be admitted—

5. Thus then if I am correct in my surmise about "Veerasawmy" the only real objector would appear to be C. V. Pounniah Chetty through his unauthorized agent Andavarakachariar—

6 All the parties were present together at the opening by me of their sealed Tenders and the contents of each were registered and classed by me in their presence and

and the Paper which I recommended was that which I conscientiously believed to be the best. I have not the slightest acquaintance with any one of the parties and have not seen the late contractor a sufficient number of times even to recognize him if I were to see him again.—

7. As I am in ignorance of the precise nature of the complaints which have been presented to the Board it is very possible that I may not have met some of the points touched upon in them, still I have deemed it due to myself to submit this explanation of the circumstances under which the Tenders were laid before the Board by me, being much concerned to find that the ex parte representations of a disappointed candidate and an anonymous Petitioner should have been considered of sufficient weight to induce the Board to resort to the appointment of a committee which must of necessity be composed of my subordinates for the purpose of determining which Tender should be accepted "with the view

view of preventing complaints of partiality"—

Fort St George,
General Stamp Office,
23 May 1854 - - -

(Signed) R T Porter
Supt of Stamps—

Official Memorandum

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B No 1814

From the Superintendent of Stamps - - - - -

With reference to the Official Memorandum of the Secretary to the Board of Revenue dated 26th Instant the Superintendent of Stamps has the honor to forward the Enclosures returned with the Board's Proceedings of the 18th Idem.—

Fort St George,
General Stamp Office,
29th May 1854 - - - -

(Signed) R T Porter
Superintendent of Stamps—

B No 1104

Proceedings thereon.— The Board regret to find that their proposition to select the contract stamped paper by a Committee, should have been so misunderstood by Mr Porter. The Board consider that this is the best method of dealing with contracts whether for stamped paper or any other article the nature of which the head of the Office is not professionally acquainted with and what they have recommended in the Stamp Department they would adopt in their own. The contract was not rejected on this ground. This explanation will

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will the Board hope satisfy Mr Porter that no shadow of doubt was ever intended to be thrown on his impartiality.—

2 They have only further to observe that though Mr Porter seems to ignore Sudavaraka charloo's connection with b. V Sounniah Chetty it is stated in the Tender as follows "They also "to state for your information that this paper "is manufactured at b. V Sounniah Chetty's "Perambore Paper Mills where expensive machinery "have been employed"—

Mr Porter in recommending a

3 contract should have made some observation on the fact of its being 50 per Cent above that of the preceding one—

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B No 1721

Memorandum by the Mahratta Cutcherry

Memorandum on Salt Revenue

Should the Salt Monopoly be displaced by an assessment fixed on the Land on which the article is produced, the Revenue under that head will not stand as it now is, but will experience a fall - This System being adopted to leave the Ryots at liberty to carry on the cultivation to any extent they can, permanency of the price will be shaken at once, and various rates may come to prevail in one and the same pan.—

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In the introduction of the course in question unless the assessment to be imposed be a light one, no cultivation will be carried on

In a pan consisting of 3 cawnies for instance 2/3 is taken up for "yarapoo thotty &c." i.e for the preliminary operations of the manufacture, and it is only on the remaining one cawney that the salt is actually produced

If therefore, the assessment be fixed on this one cawney it would appear high when looked independantly of the other two cawnies which will have to be exempt from any assessment whatever. It seems consequently advisable to impose the tax on the entire extent in-as-much as the ryot indispensably requires these two cawnies for the manufacture of salt in the other.

The marginal entries shew the Beriz per cawney calculated for the both cases at two different rates Viz 120 Rupees per Garce as per present standard and 90 Rupees being the average rate -

The hoodevarum now obtaining is very light if the system of assessing the

	For the whole pan		only for the one cawny on which salt is produced	
Land cawnies	3		1	
Average produce of Garce	12		12	
Price per Garce	Rs. 120	Rs. 90	Rs. 120	Rs. 90
Value	1440	1080	1440	1080
Average per Cawney	480	360	1440	1080
1/2 share to the ryot	240	180	720	540
2/3 Ditto	320	240	960	720

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the lands be adopted for the future, it would have to be calculated at 1/2 or 1/3 of the produce as in the case of Land Revenue - The former would be profitable to the ryot, while the latter would slightly advantage the Circar. In case of raising the hoodivarum to either of the above standards the present rate per Garce may be retained -

By allowing 1/3 of the Produce as hoodevarum the Circar will suffer a loss of Rs 30% of its Revenue under this head as marginally pointed out -

Value of 12 Garce at 120 Rupees each	1440
The present hoodivarum	144
	1296
The future Revenue	960

The monopoly of Salt Revenue at present enjoyed by the Government places the extent of manufacture under the control of the Circar and renders the price fixed, while on the contrary by the system above referred to the ryot being left at liberty as regards the manufacture and sale of the article, the manufacture will increase and the salt will become cheap - This will again give an impetus to the cultivation of other articles as also to an improvement of trade

Cutcherry, dated 29th April 1854 -

Ordered to be recorded -

To

Order thereon -

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Bd. No. 607

From the Tamil Translator to Government

To,

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

Sir,

In reply to the request of the Board of Revenue as contained in their Secretary's letter of 20th February 1854 I have the honour to state that I have perused portions of the Tamil Translation of the Circular Orders of the Board and find them correctly rendered.

To persons unacquainted with the Revenue business of this Presidency there may appear too free a use of Technical terms and of English words Tamilicised, but for those to whom the work is especially useful, this method of rendering is the best. If a different plan were adopted instead of a Single word repeated 8 or 10 times in a few lines, the paraphrase of that word would have to be repeated and then perhaps the meaning would not be very clear and the bulk of the Volume unwieldly increased.

I need only refer to the word "Pattuni" as an example. It is impossible to give an equivalent meaning in ordinary Tamil in one or even in half a dozen words.

I know no hesitation in stating that to all Natives employed in the Revenue Service

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Service the Book will give a reasonably correct version of the Board's orders.

/Signed/ W.H. Bayley
Tamil Translator to Govt.

Madras, 21st February 1854.

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Bd. No. 1536

From the Telugu Translator to Government

To, W.H. Bayley Esqre
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

Sir,

As requested in your letter of the 20th February last, I have the honour to submit my opinion on the accompanying translation of a portion of the Circular Orders of the Board of Revenue.

The book is so lengthy that I have been compelled to limit my examination of it to parts selected here and there.

I see no reason to question the general correctness of the work and it will doubtless be of use to Native Officials. Viewed as a Telegu production the translation is too literal the English original being followed with the utmost closeness throughout. To the class for whose use it is intended this is not perhaps of very much consequence. I would recommend that the Board should patronize the work as one likely to be of use to Native Officials but that they should not acknowledge it as their authorized official version of their Circular Orders.

/Signed/ J.D. Sim
Telugu Translator to Government

Fort St. George 9th June 1854

Ordered.

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Ordered to be submitted to Government with the following letter.

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Rd. No. 1096
To the Chief Secretary
to Government

No. 218

To,
The Chief Secretary to Government.

Sir,

With reference to Extract from Minutes of Consultation dated 9th February 1854, forwarding for report, the first part of the 1st Vol. of the Telugoo and Tamil Translations of the Circular orders of the Board of Revenue, I am directed to submit, for the information of Government, the letters noted in the margin, received from the Telugoo and Tamil Translators to Government, reporting upon them.

From Telugoo Translator 9th inst. in Cons. 29th May 1854
From Tamil Do. 21st Feby. in Cons. 29th May 1854

2. It will be seen that these Officers report favorably of these translations - and the Board though they cannot send forth these as their authorized Versions are of opinion that they will be useful to the Public Officers in the Provinces.

3. When the Original English Volume of the C. O. Book was printed the Government subscribed for 150 Copies. The Board recommend that each of the translations may be patronized to the same extent.

4. In a Memo furnished to the Board by the Publisher Copy of which is forwarded herewith, it is stated that four Rupees each is the price fixed upon the first part of the first Volume - 2 Rupees will be charged for the second part of the first Volume, and 6 Rupees for the second Volume, making 12 Rupees for each translation. The Board have also been informed that the second part of the first Volume will be out next month, and the second Volume in four months time.

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Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
29th May 1854.

(Signed) R. Lewin Cliffe
Sub Secretary in Charge.

Resolved that the following Letter be

Despatched

No. 224

To,
The Chief Secretary
to Government.

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Bd. No. 1113
To the Chief Secretary
to Government

Sir,

With reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 18th November 1851 I am directed by the Board of Revenue to submit herewith for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the Original Returns received from the several Districts under their Control, shewing the Number of Servants dismissed, whose pay exceeds Rupees 10 per mensem during the year 1853.

An abstract Statement is also annexed for more easy reference.

2 The -

Rd. 18th June 1852

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3 The Statement for the last quarter, from the District of Kurnool, has not yet been received at this Office and the Agent has been addressed on the subject.

4 I am also instructed to state that there have been no dismissals in the Board's Establishment, during the year under report.

Return of Public Servants dismissed during the year 1853.

Districts.	1st Quarter Ending 31st March 1853.	2nd Quarter Ending 30th June 1853.	3rd Quarter Ending 30th September 1853.	4th Quarter Ending 31st December 1853.	Total.
Nellore	"	1	"	"	1
Bellary	"	"	"	"	"
Cuddapah	"	"	"	"	"
Kurnool	"	"	"	"	"
Chingleput	"	"	"	Not received	"
Salem	2	1	"	"	3
North Arcot	"	"	"	3	6
South Arcot	"	"	"	1 but restored on appeal	"
Tanjore	1	3	4	"	4
Trichinopoly	1	"	3	4	11
Madura	5	1	"	3	4
Timevelly	"	"	1	1	8
Combutore	2	"	"	7	2
Canara	1	"	"	1	3
Malabar	"	"	"	2	3
Madras	1	1	1	"	1
Sea Customs	"	"	"	"	3
				1	1
				Total.	47

Rev. Board's Office, Fort St. George, 29th May 1854. (Signed) B. Lewcliffe, Sub Secy in Charge.

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Bd's No 1103

To the Collector of Madras.

To the Collector of Madras, Chingleput and Nellore

Sir,

With reference to the Board's Proceedings dated 13th April 1854 directing you to lay aside Indian Mounds of Salt for exportation to Calcutta during the Current Season on account of the Indent received from the Bengal Government, I am directed to request that you will report by return of post, if possible, what quantity of Salt has been exported up to the present period and by what time, it is likely that the whole will be exported.

Madras 100,000.
Chingleput 200,000.
Nellore 200,000

2. The Salt appears to be very urgently required at Calcutta, & should you have any doubts as to the probability of the whole being exported at an early date the Board would wish to be favored with your opinion as to what measures it would be advisable to adopt to secure the early Shipment of the entire quantity indented for.

The Board presume that there would

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would be no difficulty in your at once delivering over the whole of the Salt which it was arranged should be supplied from your District on Government Indent should it be so required.

4th Para. You will at the same time be good as to report what quantity of Salt has been disposed of on private trade since your receipt of the Board's Proceedings dated 13th April 1854.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
29th May 1854.

(Signed) B. Cunliffe
Sub Secretary in Charge.

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Bd. No. 1093

To the Acting Collr. of Madura.

Official Memorandum.

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to request that the Acting Collector of Madura will be good enough to furnish a Memorandum of the details Composing the amount Rupees 7,332, under the head of "Pay of the servants in the Salt Department" Statement No. 10 A of the Extra Revenue Report for Fasly 1262.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
29th May, 1854.

(Signed) B. Cunliffe
Sub Secretary in Charge.

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Bd. No. 1864

From the Secretary to Government
Dated 10th May 1854

103

Read Extract as sanctioning the Estimate for the repair of three Tanks and a Well in the Tadamulla and Singumpurty Talooks of the District of Rajahmundry.

103-104
Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded.

105
Bd. No. 1745.

From the Collector of Rajahmundry

Read the undermentioned Statements

Comparative Statement shewing the quantity of Salt sold for Home and Inland consumption for the Official years ending 30th April 1852, 1853 & 1854 respectively.

106
Bd. No. 1766

From the Collector of Canara

Comparative Statement shewing the quantity of Salt sold for Home and Inland consumption for the Official years ending 30th April 1852, 1853, & 1854 respectively.

105-106
Order on the 2 above mentioned Statements

Ordered to be recorded.

Bd. No. 1728.

From the Agent at Kurnool

108

Read Abstract Statement shewing the number of persons charged and acquitted Vizt under Regulations of 1822 for the half year ending 31st December 1853.

Ordered.

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108-109 Order thereon. Ordered to lie over, until the receipt of the Returns from other Districts, when an Abstract of the whole will be prepared and submitted for the orders of Government.

Read the undermentioned

110 Bd's No. 1736 From the Collector of Salem } Register of Endorsements passed by him on Petitions preferred by the Board of Revenue for the Month of April last.

111 Bd's No. 1752 From the Collector of Tanjore } Register of Endorsements preferred for disposal by him and remaining unexpired of as per list sent to the Board of Revenue

112 Bd's No. 1783 From the Collector of Coimbatore } Register of Endorsements preferred by the Board of Revenue for the Month of April last

110-113 Order on the 3 abovementioned Registers } Ordered to be lodged in the office.

Read

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Read the undermentioned

114 Bd's No. 1760 From the Collector of Rajahmundry } Statement of the value of Gold and Silver Bullion and Specie imported by Sea for the Month of April last.

115 Bd's No. 1746 From the Collector of Tanjore } Statement of the value of Gold and Silver Bullion and Specie imported by Sea for the Month of April last.

114-116 Order on the 2 abovementioned Statements } Ordered to lie over.

Read the undermentioned

117 Bd's No. 1771 From the Acting Collector of Ganjam } Statement of Grain exported and imported for the week ending 18th April last.

118 Bd's No. 1772 From the Acting Collector of Ganjam } Statement of Grain exported and imported for the week ending 25th April last.

119 Bd's No. 1773 From the Acting Collector of Ganjam } Statement of Grain exported and imported for the week ending 2nd May 1854.

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(120) Bd No 1774.
From the Acting Collector of Ganjam — Statement of Grain exported and imported for the week ending 10th May 1854.

(121) Bd No 1733.
From the Collector of Vizagapatam — Statement of Grain imported for the week ending 6th May 1854.

(122) Bd No 1762.
From the Collector of Rajahmundry — Report of Grain exported for the week ending 13th May 1854.

(123) Bd No 1761.
From the Collector of Rajahmundry — Report of Grain imported for the week ending 13th May 1854.

(124) Bd No 1784.
From the Collector of South Arcot — Statement of Grain imported for the week ending 20th May 1854.

(125) Bd No 1779.
From the Collector of Tanjore — Statement of Grain exported for the week ending 17th May 1854.

(126) Bd No 1778.
From the Coll[r] of Tanjore — Tabular Statement of Grain imported for the week ending 17th May 1854.

(127) Bd No 1736.
From the Coll[r] of Malabar — Return of Grain exported for the week ending 13th May 1854.

(128) Bd No 1735.
From the Coll[r] of Malabar — Statement of Grain imported for the week ending 13th May 1854.

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(129) Bd No 1748.
From the Coll[r] of Sea Customs Madras — Report of Grain exported for the week ending 25th May 1854.

(130) Bd No 1703.
From the Coll[r] of Sea Customs Madras — Report of Grain imported for the week ending 25th May 1854.

(117-131) Ordered that the 14 above mentioned Statements be submitted for the information of Government.

Received the undermentioned

(132) M. No 735.
From the Ag Collector of Ganjam — Half Account Current for the 2d Quarter ending 31st March last

(133) M. No 725.
From the Agent at Nurnool — Return of fines imposed and stoppages made from the pay of the Public Servants for the Quarter ending 31st December last.

(134) M. No 726.
From the Agent at Nurnool — Return of fines imposed and stoppages made from the pay of the Public Servants for the Quarter ending 31st March last.

(135) M. No 720.
From the Collector of North Arcot — Return of fines imposed and stoppages made for the

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136 Ms. No. 719. From the Collector of North Arcot — Return of alterations that have occurred in the list of fines and Stoppages for the Quarter ending 31st March last.

137 Ms. No. 722 From the Agent at Kurnool — Return of Public Servants suspended and dismissed for the Quarter ending 31st March last.

138 Ms. No. 741. From the Ag. Collector of Ganjam — Abstract of Demand Collection and Balance for the Month of April last.

139 Ms. No. 739. From the Collr of Vizagapatam — Abstract of Demand Collection and Balance for the Month of April last.

140 Ms. No. 751. From the Collr of Tanjore, mundry — Abstract of Demand Collection and Balance for the Month of April last.

141 Ms. No. 738 From the Collr of Masulipatam — Abstract of Demand Collection and Balance for the Month of April last.

142 Ms. No. 737 From the Ag. Collector of Guntoor — Abstract of Demands Collection and Balance for the Month of April last.

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143 Ms. No. 742. From the Collr of Nellore — Abstract of Demand Collection and Balance for the Month of April last.

144 Ms. No. 735. From the Collector of Bellary — Abstract of Demand Collection and Balance for the Month of April last.

145 Ms. No. 760. From the Collector of Cuddapah — Abstract of Demand Collection and Balance for the Month of April last.

146 Ms. No. 740. From the Agent at Kurnool — Abstract of Demand Collection and Balance for the Month of April last.

147 Ms. No. 770. From the Ag. Collector of Chingleput — Abstract of Demand Collection and Balance for the Month of April last.

148 Ms. No. 752. From the Collr of North Arcot — Abstract of Demand Collection and Balance for the Month of April last.

149 Ms. No. 768. From the Collr of Salem — Abstract of Demand Collection and Balance for the Month of April last.

150 Ms. No. 753. From the Collr of South Arcot — Abstract of Demand Collection and Balance for the Month of April last.

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157
M. No 734.
From the Coll.r of Madura. Abstract of Demand
Collection and Balance for the Month of April
last.

152
M. No 736.
From the Coll.r of Tinnevelly. Abstract of Demand
Collection and Balance for the Month of April last.

153
M. No 771.
From the Coll.r of Coimbatore. Abstract of Demand
Collection and Balance for the Month of April last.

154
M. No 720.
From the Ag.t Coll.r of Canara. Statement shewing
the average Bazar wholesale prices of Grain
and Salt for the Month of April last.

155
M. No 730.
From the Coll.r of Vizagapatam. Statement shewing
the Average Bazar wholesale prices of Grain
and Salt for the Month of April last.

156
M. No 750.
From the Coll.r of Rajahmundry. Statement shewing
the Average Bazar wholesale prices of Grain
and Salt for the Month of April last.

157
M. No 721.
From the Coll.r of Masulipatam. Statement shewing
the Average Bazar wholesale prices of Grain
and Salt for the Month of April last.

158
M. No 733.
From the Ag.t Coll.r of Guntoor. Statement shewing
the Average Bazar wholesale prices of Grain
and Salt for the Month of April last.

159
M. No 729.
From the Coll.r of Nellore. Statement shewing
the Average Bazar wholesale prices of
Grain and Salt for the Month of April last.

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160
M. No 732.
From the Coll.r of Bellary. Statement shewing
the Average Bazar wholesale prices of Grain and
Salt for the Months of April last.

161
M. No 765.
From the Coll.r of Cuddapah. Statement shewing the
Average Bazar wholesale prices of Grain and Salt for
the Month of April last.

162
M. No 727.
From the Agent at Kurnool. List of Average prices of
Grain for the Month of March last.

163
M. No 767.
From the Ag.t Coll.r of Chingleput. Statement shewing the
Average Bazar wholesale prices of Grain and Salt
for the Month of April last.

164
M. No 769.
From the Coll.r of North Arcot. Statement shewing the
Average Bazar wholesale prices of Grain and Salt
for the Month of April last.

165
M. No 764.
From the Coll.r of Salem. Statement shewing the Average
Bazar wholesale prices of Grain and Salt for the
Month of April last.

166
M. No 748.
From the Coll.r of South Arcot. Statement shewing the
Average Bazar wholesale prices of Grain and Salt
for the Month of April last.

167
M. No 747.
From the Coll.r of Madura. Statement shewing the
Average Bazar wholesale prices of Grain & Salt
for the Month of April last.

168
M. No 734.
From the Coll.r of Tinnevelly. Statement shewing the
Average Bazar wholesale prices of Grain & Salt
for the Month of April last.

169
M. No 766.
From the Coll.r of Coimbatore Statement shewing the
Average Bazar wholesale prices of Grain and Salt
for the Month of April last.

170
M. No 761.
From the Coll.r of Cuddapah Return of persons charged
with Offences under Regulation IX of 1822 for the
Month of March last.

171
M. No 718.
From the Coll.r of Tanjore. Return of persons
charged

172
M. No. 734.
From the Agent at Kurnool. Return of persons convicted and confined under Regulation IX of 1822 for the Month of April last.

173
M. No. 763.
From the Coll.r of Cuddapah. Reporting that there were no cases of persons confined under Regulation IX of 1822 for the Month of December last.

174
M. No. 721.
From the Agent at Kurnool. Reporting the non-transmission of certain periodical returns for the Months of January, February, March, and April last.

175
M. No. 760.
From the Coll.r of Coimbatore. Stating that the returns of persons charged with Offences and confined under Regulation IX of 1822 were not forwarded for the Month of April last.

176
M. No. 762.
From the Coll.r of Cuddapah. Return of Village Officers suspended and dismissed under Regulation VII of 1831 for the Month of March last.

177
M. No. 744.
From the Collector of North Arcot. Return of Village Officers suspended and dismissed under Regulation VII of 1831 for the Month of April last.

178
M. No. 717.
From the Coll.r of Tanjore. Return of Village Officers suspended and dismissed under Regulation VII of 1831 for the Month of April last.

Return

179
M. No. 759.
From the Coll.r of Coimbatore. Return of Village Officers suspended and dismissed under Regulation VII of 1831 for the Month of April last.

180
M. No. 743.
From the Collector of Madura. Statement of receipts and disbursements incurred in the Sea Custom Department of Ramnad for the Month of April last.

181
M. No. 746.
From the Collector of Rajahmundry. Report of the prices of Grain during the Week ending 22d April last.

182
M. No. 756.
From the Coll.r of Masulipatam. Statement of the wholesale prices of Grain for the week ending 15th May 1854.

183
M. No. 715.
From the Coll.r of Nellore. Return of the wholesale prices of Grain for the week ending 15th May 1854.

184
M. No. 745.
From the Coll.r of Cuddapah. Return of the wholesale prices of the different species of Grain as selling in the Cutcherie and large Towns in his District for the Week ending 8th May 1854.

Statement.

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No. 716.

From the Collector of Tanjore.- Statement shewing the current selling prices of Grain in the Cusbah and next Largest Town and at all the Sea Ports for the week ending 7th May 1854.-

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No. 757.

From the Collector of Madura.- Price Current of Paddy and other kinds of Grain for the week ending 8th May 1854.-

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No. 758.

From the Collector of Madura.- Price Current of Paddy and other kinds of Grain for the week ending 15th May 1854.-

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
W. H. Bayley