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No. 49.

1.

Bd No. 628.

From the Chief Secty to Government

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue Saturday the 1st March 1856.

Read the following Papers.

No. 45.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Financial / Railway / Department Dated 15th February 1856.

Read the following letter.

No. 76.

To

Lieutenant Colonel J. J. Pears C. B.
Consulting Engineer.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No 1 dated 3rd Ultimo, I have the honor to forward a List of Stations on that portion of the Railway, which will be first opened shewing in parallel Columns the names of the Villages at or near which they are placed, and in the 2d Column the name of the nearest important Town, in the 3d Column the names of the Stations it is proposed to designate them.

2. In respect to the Banaveram station being called "Sholingur" it is the opinion of the Chief Engineer and Traffic Manager, that that Town is too distant from Banaveram for the station to be called after it.

Madras
4th February 1856

/Signed/ J. A. Jenkins
Agent and Manager

Submitted with observations for the orders of Government

Madras
4th February 1856

/Signed/ J. J. Pears
Consulting Engineer
for Railways
Madras

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Madras Railway.

List of Names proposed for Stations between Madras and Ammoor.

No. of Station	Distance from Madras		Name of adjoining Villages	Name of nearest important Town	Proposed Name of Station	Remarks.
	Miles	Chains				
1				Terminal Station Madras	Madras Station	
2	3	34		Perambore (in the Suburbs of Madras)	Perambore	
3	7	26½	Coratoor	Red Hills	Red Hill Road Station	
4	12	78½	Avady	Poonamallee	Avady Station	
5	17	75	Tinnanore	"	Tinnanore Station	
6	25	70½	Periacoopum	Trivatoor	Trivatoor Station	
7	29	33¾	Cuddumbatthoor	"	Cuddumbatthoor "	
8	36	10	Chinnamapet	"	Chinnamapet "	
9	45	66½	Company pet	"	Company pet "	
10	55	69½	Banaveram	Sholinghur	Banaveram "	It is considered that Sholinghur is at too remote a distance from the Line to call the Station by that name.
11	65	15	Ammoor	Arcot	Arcot	

Agent and Manager's Office,
4th February 1856 " "

(Signed) L. A. Jenkins
Agent and Manager

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No. 17.

On a letter from the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company No. 76. dated 4th February 1856.

Observations by the Consulting Engineer

The Agent at my request submits a list of stations upon that portion of the line which it is proposed to open first for traffic, shewing the names of the Villages at or near which such stations are and the names which he proposes to give to the stations with reference to adjacent towns of importance.—

2. I concur generally in the agents views on the subject and entertain doubt only with respect to the Station which it is proposed to call "Banaveram".

3. Banaveram itself is an insignificant hamlet: The nearest Town of importance is Sholinghur 9 Miles from the Station

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Station. a Cutcherry Market Town and a place likely to grow in extent and importance.—

4. Sholinghur will be the entrepot for a large amount of agricultural produce destined for the Railway at Banaveram, and I am inclined to think the Station might with propriety be called "Sholinghur Station."

5. There will be more people wishing to know how to find out "Sholinghur" by Railway than "Banaveram."—

6. The question is submitted for the orders of Government not however as one of much importance.—

Madras
7th February 1856

/Signed/ J. J. Pears
Consulting Engineer
for Railway

/True Copies/

/Signed/ J. Pycroft
Chief Secretary
The

3636. Fort Saint George 1st March 1856.

The Government concur with the Consulting Engineer that Bonaiveram might with propriety be called the "Shelinghur station" and with this exception they approve of the names by which the Railway Officers propose to designate the stations on that portion of the line which will be first opened. —

(True Extract)
(Signed) J. Pycroft
Chief Secretary

1-2
Br. No. 664.
Order thereon.

Ordered to be communicated to the Collectors of Chingleput and North Arcot respectively for information. —

3.
Br. No. 629
From the Chief Secy. to Government

No. 200.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Public Department
Dated 22nd February 1856.

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Tinnevelly. —

No.

3637 Fort Saint George 1st March 1856.

No. 37.

To,
J. D. Bourdillon Esquire
Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George

Sir,

With reference to the Government Endorsement dated 17th Ultimo on Petition No. 76 of 1856 herewith returned I have the honor to explain that it is customary in this District to return the delivery Petitions to the Parties immediately on their applying for the same. In case of the Petitioners not making their appearance, the Petitions are usually sent to the Talooks in which the parties are residing, once in 4 or 5 months for delivery to them. The Petition now under notice was received in this Office on the 28th June 1855 and forwarded to the Nellianbalum Tahsildar with an order dated 11th December directing him to have the same returned to Sanakayabhoyummal on whose behalf it was addressed by Mr. Fischer of Salem.

I have given the necessary orders to have the delivery Petitions returned to

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to the parties in future, as early as practicable.

Tinnevelly Collectors
Circuit Cutcherry
Maaradipoo
1st February 1856

/Signed/ I. Silver
Acting Collector.

/True Copy/

/Signed/ I. Pycroft.
Chief Secretary

1. The Government learn from the above letter that the Petition in question remained in the Collectors Office from the 18th June till the 11th December or for a period of nearly 6 months.

2. The Collector explains that it is customary in the Tinnevelly District to return Petitions immediately on the parties applying for them, and that they are sent for delivery once every 4 or 5 months to the Tahsildars of the Talooks in which the Petitioners reside.

3. The Government notice with dissatisfaction the great delay in the present instance and trust that the present

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present Collector will be careful to have all petitions returned to the parties as early as possible. It appears to the Government that Petitions ought to be forwarded to the Tahsildars for delivery at least once every month.

4. The Court of Sudr Udalut the Board of Revenue, and the Commissioner for the Northern Circars will be good enough to ascertain and report for the information of Government what is the practice observed by the Heads of Offices in the several Districts under their orders in regard to the delivery to the parties of petitions bearing the endorsement of Government.

/True Extract/
/Signed/ I. Pycroft
Chief Secretary

3-4.
Bd. & Pc. 665
Proceedings thereon.

Resolved that the Collectors

Collectors of the Districts noted in the
margin be requested to report at their
earliest convenience the practice of their
respective Offices in regard to the delivery
of Petitions bearing Government endorsements
to the parties for whom they are intended.
The Board wish to know whether such
Petitions are sent to the Talook Officers
as they are received, or periodically
and if the latter be the
practice, at what intervals.

Nellore
Bellary
Kudda pah
Kurnool
Chingleput
North Arcot
South Arcot
Salem
Tanjore
Trichinopoly
Madura
Tinnevelly
Coimbatore
Canara
Malabar
Madras

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Bte No 636.
From the Secretary to Government

No 200.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 22d February 1856.

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Submitting a letter from the Collector of Salem relative to Petition No 89 of 1855, and observing that the permission of Government is not necessary to enable the Petitioner to sue in the Courts for his share of the land alluded to in his Petition. —

Ordered

Ordered that the following Endorsement be passed on Petition No 2030 of 1855.

"The Enams referred to by the Petitioner Ramiengar in Tumarapatty and two other Villages of the Salem District, are Religious Endowments appertaining to certain Pagodas. It is therefore open to Petitioner under Section XIV Regulation VII of 1817 to sue for them in the Courts without an order from the Government."

/A true Extract/
/Signed/ J. D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government

5-6
Bte No 661
Order thereon.

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Salem for his information and guidance.

7.
Bte No 638.
From the Secretary to Government

No 199.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 22d February 1856

Read the following letter from the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue
/Here enter 11th February 1856, No 397/ She

3642 Fort St. George 1st March 1856.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council is of opinion that no further proceedings should be taken in the case here reported on; and he grants sanction to the Collector to disburse the amount awarded to the Plaintiff by the Sub Court, being Rupees 174 — # — With reference to the Board's concluding remark it appears from para 13 of the Collector's letter that the mootharand rent and all other similar rents on the Shervaroy Hills have long ceased —

/A true Extract/
/Signed/ I. D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government

7-8.
Bd. 1st March 1856.
Order thereon.

Ordered to be communicated together with letter dated 11th February 1856. for the information and guidance of the Collector of Salem. —

9
Bd. No. 639.
From the Secretary to Government —

No. 197

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 22nd February 1856

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Forwarding with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation.

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3643 Fort St. George 1st March 1856

Consultation 5th July 1853
a letter from the Collector of Rajahmundry relative to the cost and charges of Shipment of Salt exported from his District —

(Here enter 11th July 1856 No. 398)

Ordered that the Board be requested to revise the Collector's computation of charges, in common with those from other Districts, agreeably to the orders of Government as conveyed in Extract Minutes of Consultation of this date No. 196 —

/A true Extract/
/Signed/ I. D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government

9-10
Order thereon —

Ordered to be recorded

No. 202

Bd. No. 651
From the Secy to Govt.
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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 23rd February 1856 —

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue —

Submitting letters from the Collector of North Arcot regarding the exemption from personal appearance of a certain female Zemindar, & recommending that she may continue to be so exempted under the usual security against deception.

(Here enter 15th February 1856 No. 441)

The subject of the personal appearance

appearance of female yeomiahdars in proof of their identity being under reference to the Government of India, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council will defer passing orders on this application for the present.—

/a True Extract/

/Signed/ I. D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government

(11-12)
Bd No 660

Order thereon. Ordered that copy of the foregoing Extract Minutes of Consultation be forwarded to the Collector of North Arcot for information.—

(13)
Bd No 659
From the Secy to Govt

No 204

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 22d February 1856.—

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.—

/Hereunto 13th February 1856 No 413/

The Board lay before Government a letter from the Acting Collector of Canara, asking permission to forbear the

the introduction of any of the new forms of Village accounts in his District. Mr Fisher states that many of the forms, Viz: those which relate to details of cultivation and Settlement are quite unsuitable, on account of the peculiar character of the Canara Revenue system. This was well known, and it was only desired that the Collector should adopt those of the forms which were found applicable, but he expresses himself as averse even to introduce those. He enumerates sixteen forms which may be introduced; and he states /para 4/ that some might be introduced with advantage, and again /para 6/ that the adoption of the new forms would in many cases be an improvement, but he asks permission to continue the present system, on the ground of the fewness of the Nagany Shanbogues.—

2. The Government believe that the substitution of the new forms enumerated by Mr Fisher as applicable will not at all increase the labour of the Shanbogues

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Shanbogues; and they are anxious that they should be brought into use. Not only will they in several cases, as admitted by Mr Fisher, be an improvement, but unless this is done the new Talook and District forms which will shortly be issued, will not harmonize with the Village forms, No doubt indisposition to the change will be found in Canara, as it has been elsewhere, but in other Districts it has been overcome by a little tact and firmness and the Government do not doubt that it may be so also in Canara, where the change to be made is so much smaller.-

/True Extract/
/Signed/ J. D. Bourdillon
Secy to Government

13-14
Bd No 668
Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Collector of Canara, with a Copy of the Board's Proceedings dated 13th February 1856.-

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15
Bd No 695
From the Secy to Government

Official Memorandum.-

The Secretary to Government has the honor to inform the Secretary to the Board of Revenue in reply to his Official Memo: dated 21st Instant No 490 that it does not appear that the wood-in Press used at Chittoor is superior to the new wooden Presess. The Press at Rajahmundry has been ordered by Government to be retained for the use of the Education Department, pending the arrival of a second Press for that Department from America.-

Ext Mins Cons July 22nd/56
Public Dept No 208
Para 16.

2. Respecting the Type referred to in Para 2 of the Memo. the Secretary apprehends that it is open to the Board to use their discretion.-

Fort St. George, 28th February 1856.

/Signed/ J. D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government

To the Secy to the Board of Revenue

Bd No 665
Proceedings thereon.

15-16.

With reference to para 1 of the memo. from the Revenue Secretary to Government dated 28th February 1856 the Secretary

Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to request to be furnished with a copy of para 16 of Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 27th February 1856, no copy of that para having been communicated to this Office.—

Read again letter from Collector of Trichinopoly dated 19th June 1855. forwarding the detailed Statements regarding the 4 dry talooks called for in the Boards' Proceedings of 1st February 1855.—

Incons 13th Sept 1855.

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Bd No 653 Proceedings

thereon. In Para 5 Mr Bird states the Amount of the temporary remissions granted under the Boards' orders, and then observes "if such reductions be applied to waste lands there will be an immediate increase of Revenue with extension of cultivation" The Board therefore remark that the reduction sanctioned by them were intended to apply to all the culturable lands included in the Iyacut accounts, whether at

at present under cultivation or unoccupied. This should be clearly made known to the people in order that there may be that increase of cultivation which it was one great object of the reductions to promote.—

2. But if by the term "waste" Mr Bird alludes to unreclaimed land never hitherto brought into the Cultivation accounts, such as anady bungur, Porumpoke &c the Board wish it to be explained why there should be an expectation of this land being brought under tillage, while a large portion of the Iyacut area remains unoccupied.—

3. In reference to Para 8 of his letter the Board authorize the Collector to collect the necessary tax from the commencement of the ensuing fusly at the revised rates lately sanctioned for South Arcot. These rates should be entered in the District Bookummah, and be published for general information. The details of them are given in Para 22 of the Boards' Proceedings dated 1st February 1855.—

To

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Read an Ain letter from the Collector of N. Arcot dated 26 July & entered in Cons. 9 Augt 55

To

The Collector of
North Arcot

Sir,

(18.)

Bd No 649
To the Collector of North Arcot ...
In cons 9th Augt 55

With reference to para 2. 3 & 4 of your letter dated 26th July 1855. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to enquire when you will be prepared to commence the proposed revision of the assessment of your District, and to avail yourself of the assistance of an additional Sub Collector.

Revenue Bd Office
Fort St. George
1st March 1856

/Signed/ J. D. Sim
Sub Secretary

No 18 Read the following letter.-

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

(19)

Bd No 429
From the Collr of Salem ...

Sir,

In the Regulations noted in the margin certain principles are laid down for the guidance of Collectors in dividing landed Estates in different portions.

Section	Regn
VI.	XXVI of 1802
VII	" of Do
XVII	II of 1803
XVIII	" of "

Section

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2. Section VI Regulation XXVI of 1802 provides that the amount of the permanent Revenue assessed on each division "shall bear "the same proportion to the actual value of "such division, as the total amount of the "land tax may bear to the entire lands," and by the succeeding section, Curnums and Proprietors are bound to furnish the Collector with "accounts of the produce, and of the "charges attending the management of the lands "to be divided."-

In the Salem District

3. lands bearing a fiscal assessment are occasionally held of the Proprietor on a Waram tenure. The Ryot agrees to share the produce with the proprietor instead of paying him the fixed money assessment.-

I have the honor to-

4 request the Board will favor me with their opinion, whether, when lands have been held on the Waram tenure in Estates which the Collector is required to divide, it is proper to enter in the accounts prepared

prepaired for proportioning the Seshcush, the fixed assessment on the lands so held on Warum tenure, or only the value of the produce which fell each year to the Proprietors share.-

5. 2.ndly, I would beg to be informed, whether when lands have been given out for a fixed money payment less in amount than the fisual assessment, the latter, or the former, ought to be entered in the accounts referred to-

6 It has been the practice in this District to enter only the value of the produce in the one case and only the reduced assessment in the other.-

7. I incline to the opinion.- that this is a wrong course. The practice may be objected to on the ground, 1st that there is great difficulty in procuring true accounts to shew what the Proprietors' receipt from this source really amounted to, and 2.dly that engagements of the 2 kinds referred to between a Proprietor and the Ryots, do not necessarily prove that

that the land is not capable of yielding as high a rent as by the - law the Proprietor is entitled to demand.-

8. I am now engaged in dividing the Hanoomuntapooram Estate in the Talook of Darampoory to satisfy a Decree of the Civil Court, and the questions referred to have arisen in the course of the work. The labour on such cases is greatly increased when it is necessary to search thro' Warum account: and to allow any other than the fisul assessment to be entered in the division accounts opens a wide door to fraud.-

9 Lands may be too highly assessed, and the actual value of a village may be affected by that cause, but on the whole there is a greater probability that the real value will be erroneously calculated from admitting Warum accounts of receipts, than from adhering to the Survey assessment.-

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10 I also beg to be informed whether in determining the actual value of a Village any deduction ought to be made for rent which the Proprietor thro' the default of the Cultivator was unable to collect.-

Salem Coll.rs Office
On Circuit Yatapoor
31st January 1856

/Signed/ H. A. Brett
Collector

19-20
Bd. No. 650
Proceedings thereon. The Board of Revenue are of opinion that the Collector in dividing an Estates may use whatever course he considers best adopted to ascertain the actual value of each division, and carry out the principle laid down in Section VI Regn. 26 of 1802. When the Peishcush is based on a previous survey which has affixed an assessment to each plot of land, and no reason appears for disputing its general fairness, there will

will be no objection to adopting this assessment when dividing the Estate.-

2. But there are occasions when this course cannot be followed, either from the want of accounts showing the details of the Beriz or from the value of the different Villages or subdivisions having been altered by the conversion of waste tracts into valuable arable land.-

3. In these cases the Collector must proceed to ascertain by inquiry the value of each proposed division, the extent and quantity of each description of land, both cultivated and waste, the value of its produce or its rent and the average collections of past years should receive attention in this inquiry and to enable him to conduct it efficiently the Legislature provides that the Curnums accounts shall be accessible to him.- The final distribution of the Peishcush should be made with the approval

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of the Shareholders, as far as is consistent with the security of the public revenue and when the parties interested do not agree as to its distribution the Collector should report the case for orders detailing his opinion of the actual value of each Division and the accounts and calculations upon which it is founded.-

4 It only remains to add that as the object in view is to ascertain the "actual value" of the land, allowance must be made when the owner of an Estate has not collected the full rent from his undertenants or has given them land "for a fixed money payment less in amount than the fysul or assessment," in consequence of the lands being clearly taxed beyond their value, But if the Proprietor neglect to collect his fair rents or has fixed them below the fysul assessment from favoritism or some other cause unconnected with the intrinsic value of the land, therein his proceedings are not to influence the apportionment of the Peshcush when the Estate is subdivided.-

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No. 14

To

G. L. Forbes Esqre

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

21.

Bs. No. 599

From the Collector of Bellary

Sir,

I have the honor with reference to your Circular letter of 24th December last No. 3470, received on 28th Ultimo instructing Collectors to sell the Revenue Farms for 5 years, to Submit for the Boards approval the minimum upset price that he proposes to fix for the Abkary Farms of his District for the ensuing five years and a Notification for publication in the Government Gazette.-

	Talook	Rent for one year	Rent for five years
1	Bellary	12,000	60,000
2	Cumply	19,000	95,000
3	Hurponhully	6,000	30,000
4	Rovoligheee	20000	100000
5	Hudgully	8,000	40000
6	Adony	35000	175000
7	Gooltoonu	9,000	45,000
8	Punchapaullum	21,000	105,000
9	Gooty	20,000	100,000
10	yadakey	9,000	45,000
11	Raidrog	13000	65000
12	Madacusera	8,000	40000
13	Anuntapoor	10,000	50,000
14	Penagondah	14,000	70000
15	Codecondah	7,000	35,000
16	Tandputry	6,000	30,000
17	Dharmavarum	13,000	65,000
	Total	230,000	1150000

= mit for the Boards approval the minimum upset price that I propose to fix for the Abkary Farms of this District. In the accompanying Statement will be seen the Revenue of past years.

2. The upset price I propose should be 1 1/2 lacs of Rupees each

each Talook will be put up separately-

3 The notice I propose to give is enclosed - the day of sale being fixed for the 10th of April next-

4 The Board will observe that I propose to oblige the constructors to deposit cash or its equivalent as the security, and to disallow of collateral personal security - and I propose that this Deposit should be equal to four months Kists, or 1/15 of the purchase price of the Farm and I require that a portion equal to one months Kist, be deposited at the time of sale, and the remaining portion equal to 3 months Kists be deposited before the 30th May and the only Personal security I demand is that for any loss that may accrue in consequence of the non-payment of the Deposit and the re-sale of the Farm resulting from the failure of this preliminary engagement. The Deposits being duly made no further Collateral security will be necessary.-

5 My reasons for limiting security to bonâ fide deposits are because it is most difficult to ascertain unsatisfactory

manner, the competency of sureties - They are very averse to pledge their property and the difficulty will be greater when the security will extend over five years instead of over one - The Government also are desirous of introducing "A new and more respectable class of bidders" and Collectors are required carefully to "ascertain the competency of persons desirous of farming the abkary Revenue" Now in this District with the exception of Mr F. Abraham and perhaps one or two others there are none of the renters who can properly speaking come under the class of persons alluded to - while the rents have been made for only one year at a time the inconvenience has not been felt and all defalcations have been made good, but now that they have to be made for five years, the responsibility of the collector becomes very great, and the best way to ascertain the competency and respectability of contractors is to require the bonâfide deposit of a substantial sum and if a man is not able to find this unexceptional security he should not be admitted to farm the

revenue

see Circular order Board of Revenue 18th May 1837 page 230 19th March 1846 p- 399

revenue for a period of five years. I am afraid that many of those who have usually taken the contracts will not be able to make such a deposit. But if they are, there can be no objection and if they are not, it seems desirable, that the Govern= =ment, revenue should not be risked on by placing it under the control of in= =competent men for so long a period I therefore beg to advocate the adoption of the rule of deposits only.—

6 I have named a Deposit of four months I do not think more need be taken nor that less should be ac= =cepted. I have provided in the conditions of sale, that if the renter falls in arrears to an amount equal to two months Kists that his Farm be resold and the loss made good out of his effects. There will be in hand four months Kists two to pay up the arrears and two to make good any loss by resale which is perhaps as much security as can be expected. any further loss must be made good from the contractors properly.—

7 The two last years have been unfavorable

unfavorable for the abkarry contractors — but as I have generally taken the low Rents of the current 1265 fusly as my guide for the upset price I believe I have taken one sufficiently low. It is 5,845 Rupees per annum below the average of the 5 years revenue noted in the 5th Column of the Statement.

8 Should the Board approve of my Notice, or think it necessary to modify it, I request that it may be published as approved in the Fort St. George Gazettee as soon as possible, and that I may be favoured with the Boards orders for my guidance.

Bellary Collectors Office
on Circuit at Paidroog
9th February 1856.

/Signed/ C. Petty
Collector.

Memorandum

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No 1

Memorandum of Ab Rary Farm Revenue on which the proposed upset Price is based

Division Number	Names of Talooks	Highest Revenue during the last 5 years Viz: Between Fusly 1260 and 1264		Lowest Revenue during the last 5 years Viz: Fusly 1260 and 1264		Average of 10 years Viz: between Fusly 1255 and 1264	Average of 5 years Viz: between Fusly 1260 & 1264	Amount of Pariz of Fusly 1265		Proposed upset Price One year Rent	Five years Rent from Fusly 1266 to 1270	
		Fusly year	Revenue Rupees	Fusly year	Revenue Rupees							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		9	10	11
1	Bellary	1260	20600	1264	13378	20155	18825	11638	59	12,000	60,000	Sixty thousand
2	Humplee	1260	23050	1264	19326	21983	21615	19397	42	19,000	95,000	Ninety five thousand
3	Hurpanahully	1263	7375	1264	6070	6321	6759	6013	25	6,000	30,000	Thirty thousand
4	Hoodleghee	1260	21650	1261	21050	20406	21180	20551	64	20,000	100,000	One Lac
5	Hoovinhadgally	1261	9600	1263	7875	7692	8840	8704	86	8600	43,000	Forty thousand
6	Adonie	1260	50000	1264	36500	51521	44210	32150	154	36,000	180,000	one hundered and seventy five thousand
7	Goollem	1260	9500	1264	9025	9768	9405	10013	134	900	45,000	Forty five thousand
8	Panchapollem	1260	31000	1264	23200	28,886	28,061	21530	154	21,000	105,000	one lac five thousand
9	Goolty	1260	28764	1264	20023	27,549	25863	19615	78	20,000	100,000	One Lac
10	Yadakee	1260	12000	1261	10700	12121	11335	9165	33	9000	45,000	Forty five thousand
11	Paidroog	1260	19700	1264	15500	17,188	17,400	12,608	36	13,000	65,000	Sixty five thousand
12	Madagserah	1260	8650	1263	7250	7294	8170	9092	75	8000	40,000	Forty thousand
	Total					230815	221713	180481	134	180,000	900,000	Nine lacs
1	Anantapoor	1260	16701	1264	10801	14267	13,641	9699	97	10000	50,000	Fifty thousand
2	Pengondah	1260	16900	1264	13200	15790	14,620	14984	62	14,000	70,000	Seventy thousand
3	Codecondah	1261	8660	1264	7525	8738	8125	7540	1011	7,000	35,000	Thirty five thousand
4	Tandpultry	1263	7325	1260	6200	6501	6605	6323	81	6000	30,000	Thirty thousand
5	Dhurmavarum	1260	21400	1264	16301	18,937	18,241	12,608	36	13,000	65,000	Sixty five thousand
	Total					64233	61102	51156	63	50,000	250,000	Two Lacs fifty thousand
	Grand Total					295048	282845	231638	00	230,000	1150,000	Eleven lacs fifty thousand

Sub Collector

Collector

Bellary District Collectors Office on Circuit at Paidroog 9th February 1856

/Signed/ C. Pelly

Collector

Notice

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No 2

Notice

Para 1 The term of the present Contract of the Abkary Farms of the Bellary District will expire on the 30th of June next By order of the Board of Revenue the Abkary Farms will be sold for a term of five years i. e. commencing from 1st July $\frac{1856}{1266}$ and ending 30th June $\frac{1861}{1270}$ A.D. Fusly to the highest bidder at the Hoozoor Cutcherry of the Collector of Bellary at 11 Oclock A. M on Thursday the 6th of Saista Shoodda of the year Nala Corresponding with the 10th of April 1856.—

2 The Farm for each Talook will be put up separately and Knocked down without reserve to the highest bidder But no offer will be accepted that is less than the upset price noted in the following List

Talook

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Talook.	Upset Price Rent for one year	Rent for 5 years	
1 Bellary	12,000	60000	Sixty thousand
2 Humply	19000	95,000	Ninety five thousand
3 Hurpunhully	6,000	30000	Thirty thousand
4 Hoodleyheer	20,000	100900	One Lac
5 Hoovinhudgally	8,000	40,000	Forty thousand
6 Adonie	35000	175000	One Lac Seventy five thousand
7 Goollem	9000	45000	Forty five thousand
8 Punchapollem	21,000	105000	One Lac five thousand
9 Gootty	20000	100000	One Lac
10 Yadaka	9,000	45,000	Forty five thousand
11 Paidroog	13000	65000	Sixty five thousand
12 Maduckseerah	8,000	40,000	Forty thousand
13 Anantapoor	10,000	50,000	Fifty thousand
14 Penacondah	14000	70,000	Seventy thousand
15 Hodecondah	7000	35,000	Thirty five thousand
16 Tandputty	6,000	30,900	Thirty thousand
17 Dhurmavarum	13,000	65,000	Sixty five thousand
Total	243,000	1150000	Eleven Lacs fifty thousand

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3 The Conditions of the sale are as follows by which the purchaser of the farm must abide.—

First A deposit of not less than one fifteenth of the purchase price equivalent to four Months Kists must be made by the Purchaser One fourth of this deposit to be paid within two days of the sale, and the remaining three fourths on or before the 30th of the following month May. The Deposit may be in Cash companies Paper, or in Jewelry and must be paid either at the Talook or the Hoozoor Cutcherry; should the purchaser fail therein, the purchase will be null, and the Farm will be resold and any loss that may arise from such resale is to be borne by the first purchaser and if he fails to make the same good, the loss is to be recovered by immediate distress and sale of his property by the Collector. Further the contractors must at the time of sale give approved Security against such loss occurring by failure to make the required Deposits.—

Second The Contract Pariz for the five years is to be paid by monthly instalments

of

of 60 equal Kists the amount of each Months Kist must be paid on the 15th of the following Months, Either in the Talook or in the Hoozoor Treasury and a receipt taken for the same. The first Kist will be due on the 15th August 1856.—

Third. In failure of payment of any Kist within the prescribed time, the contractor will have to pay interest on the Amount due at the rate of 6 Rupees per Cent per annum up to the date of discharging the same

Fourth. Arrears of Kists with Interest if not paid by the end of the month following that for which the Kist is due are to be made good from the deposit money and the contractor will be required to make good the amount taken from the Deposit and if he fails to make good that amount or if he falls in arrear for an amount equal to two Months Kists the contract will be annulled and the Farm resold and any loss that may arise from such resale will be realized from the deposit and by distraint and sale of the effects of the defaulter.—

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Fifth. The Contractor will be required to abide by all the Rules now in force regarding the number of shops for sale of Liquor and the limits of the Ab.Karry Farm a copy of which may be seen at the Collectors Office and generally to abide by the Terms of Cowl and Moochilkas authorized to be taken and to sign the same in the Form prescribed. See Circular Orders Board Revenue 29th June and 17th December 1835 and 10th February 1840 /annexed/ immediately after the sale is concluded on stamp paper to be procured by the contractor.—

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4 Collateral Personal security will on not be accepted for the Renters, except that security mentioned in the First condition in para 3, Deposits in Cash &c equivalent to one fifteenth of the purchase price i.e. four Months Rists alone will be accepted.

Circular Orders referred to in Fifth Rule para 3 above.—

29th June 1835.

Vide C.O. 2d June 1820
" — 27th April 1835
" — 17th Dec. 1835
" — 10th Feb. 1840
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I am directed by the Board of Revenue to transmit the undermentioned new forms of the cowle to be given to Ab.Karry Renters, and the Moschilkas to be taken from them and the persons in charge of retail shops

Licence

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No. 1.

License to be issued by Collectors to Abkarry Renters, agreeably to clause second — section VI of Regulation I of 1820.—

I, A.B. Collector of — being duly authorized by the Board of Revenue under the provisions of section V Regulation I of 1820 do hereby rent to C.D. the exclusive privilege of manufacturing and vending Country Arrack and Toddy /or of retailing Foreign spirituous Liquors/ as the case may be/ within the limits hereinafter described, and to continue the same until the — of — on the following conditions.—

1st That the said C.D. pay to the Collector in the said District of — the Annual rent of Rupees — in the following Rists.—

/Here specify Rists/

2nd That the said C.D. do not work a still, or open a shop for the retail of spirits, at any other than the places mentioned in this Licenise, nor sell below the prices hereafter specified.—

That

3d That in the distillation of Arrack, the said C.D. do not use, or permit to be used under any pretence whatever, any ingredient pernicious to health such as Chunam, Coomittakay or other substance intented to increase the power of the spirit, or add to its intoxicating quality.—

4th That he use his best endeavours to secure on the part of the persons appointed by him to superintend distilleries, and to the charge of retail shops, a strict adherence to the provisions of the Moochilkas entered into by them respectively and that on its coming to his knowledge that a breach of those provisions has been committed he do bring the circumstance to the notice of the Collector in order that the penalties attached to the Offence may be enforced, and dismiss the Offender from his service.

2. That the said C.D. be at liberty to establish stills according to the number hereunder specified at the following places and no others.—

/Here

/Here enter places and the number of stills at each place/

3. That the said C.D. be at liberty to establish shops for the retail sale of Spirits at the following places and no others.—

/Here enter places/

4. That the said C.D. shall cause any person to whom he may subrent any portion of the exclusive privileges granted to him by this License, to bind himself to observe all the stipulations of the License, in the same manner as the Renter himself; and that he will further cause every such Subrenter, as well as every person whom he may employ to superintend distilleries or shops, for the manufacture or sale of spirituous Liquors to execute the Moochilkas prescribed in Section VI Regulation 1 of 1820.—

5. That the prices at which the said C.D. shall sell or authorize his Subrenters or Vendors to sell the several descriptions of Liquors, shall not be lower than those hereafter mentioned.—

/Here enter the several descriptions of

Liquors

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Liquors and the sale price per /

6. By a breach of the foregoing stipulations the said C.P. will incur the forfeiture of his License, and such further penalty as by Regulation I 1820 is attached to the particular fault committed by him, and if he be found manufacturing, or vending country arrack, or Toddy, after the expiration of his License and without taking out a fresh License, or after forfeiture of the said License has been declared, he will be subject to the penalties specified in clause ninth, Section VII of the said Regulation.

7. A Copy of such part of Regulation I of 1820 as concerns an Abkarry Renter, is hereinto annexed.*

* Vide C.C. 1st December 1855 and 10th February 1860 for additions to abkarry Cowle and Muchilka

No. 2.

Form of Muchilka for persons in Charge of shops for the retail sale of Spirits, according to clause Fifth Section VII Regulation I of 1820.

I. I. C. S. being appointed by C.P. Renter of the exclusive privilege of vending spirituous Liquors in the District /or Taluk/ of to the charge of a shop or

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/or shops/ at do hereby bind myself as follows—

1st To prevent all drunkenness gaining and disorder within my shop /or shops/ and not to sell a quantity of Liquor to any person sufficient to cause intoxication.

2nd Not to harbour robbers, thieves or riotous persons; but on the contrary to give information to the nearest Magistrate or Police Officer, of any suspected persons who may resort to my shop.—

3rd Not to receive any grain goods wearing apparel or property in barter, or pawn, for Liquor; but on the offer of any such to give information to the nearest Police Officer, a breach of either of this three engagements will render me liable to punishment by the Magistrate, under clause eighth Section VI Regulation I of 1820.—

4th Not to allow any quantity of Liquor exceeding one seer or quart, to be removed from my shop, under any pretence whatever. A breach of this engagement will render me liable to punishment by the Criminal Judge under Section XV Regulation I of 1820.—

5th Not to open my shop before sunrise, nor keep it open after 8. P. M. and not to harbour any person

person in it during the night.—

6th Not to sell any quantity of Liquor to European soldiers or sailors.—

2. If I transgress either of the 5th or 6th Conditions, I hereby agree to pay a fine not exceeding 50 Rupees, on proof of the same before the Magistrate.—

No. 3.

Form of a Moochilka for persons employed to superintend Distilleries under the Renter according to clause Fourth Section VI Regulation I of 1820

I. G. H. being appointed by C. D. Renter of the exclusive privilege of Manufacturing Country Arrack in the District [or Talook] of to superintend a Distillery at do hereby bind myself not to mix, or knowingly permit any other person to mix in the Liquors distilled at the stills under my charge, any ingredient pernicious to health such as Chunam, Comittakay, or other material intended to increase the power of the spirit or to add to its intoxicating quality. A breach of the above engagement will subject me under clause seventh, Section VI Regulation I of 1820, to be tried by the Court

Courts of Circuit and to be sentenced to imprisonment and hard labour for 3 years.

17th December 1835.

Vide C.O. 29th June 1835 — 23rd May 1836.

The Charge of interest on the balances of Sayer and Abkarry Renters is not the Board observe specially authorized by any Regulation, nor by the Cowles; but as they see no reason why defaulters on account of these sources of revenue should be exempted from the Charge, they direct that in future, a provision authorising the charge of Interest at 6 per cent on balances of Sayer and Abkarry be inserted in the Renters Cowles and Moochilkas

Vide C.O. 13th April 1837.

For form of Cowle and Moochilka Vide C.O. 29th June 1835.

10th February 1840.

Vide C.O. 18th May 1837 — 20th January 1842.

The G.O. of Government in the Military Department, of the dates noted in the Margin, direct that when a Force exceeding a certain number in numerical strength, shall march or take the Field, arrangements shall be made by the Commissariat for a Contract for

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for the supply of Spirituous Liquors in the Camp, and a question has been raised, on a recent occasion, whether the Civil Abkarry Contractors of the District through which such a Force might pass, might not have ground of Complaint that the abovementioned rule in the Military Department operates as an invasion of the exclusive right to sell Spirituous Liquors, within certain limits, vested in them, Government have been pleased to determine, that it is not expedient to interfere with the arrangements made in the Military Department for the maintenance of Arrack Contracts in Forces at a distance from Military Bazar Stations; I am therefore directed by the Board of Revenue under Orders from Government, to request that in future, a clause may be inserted in the Abkarry Cowles of your District reserving to Government the privilege of allowing bodies of Troops on march or in Camp, to be provided with a separate Abkarry Contractor.—

* 21st intd. 29th Sept. 1849. Revenue Departt. No 83.—

® Noted above

See form of Cowle vide C.O. 29th June 1835.

Bellary District Collector's Office on Circuit at Raidrug 9th February 1856.

(Signed) C. Pelley
Collector

Proceedings

Bd. No 648

Proceedings thereon.

(21-22)

In this letter the Collector reports the Minimum upset price which he proposes to fix for the Abkarry farms of his District when offered for five years and requests the instructions of the Board on several subjects connected with the proposed arrangements.—

2. The Board observe that Mr. Pelly has proposed as the upset price the Revenue of the last year, but it is shown in the memo. which accompanies Mr. Pelly's letter that this amount is Rupees 65,000 below the average of the last 10 years and 52,000 below that of the last five years.—

3. From this it would appear that the Abkarry Revenue of Bellary is at present in a very depressed state and late events in that district are fully sufficient to account for this fact. But there is every prospect that the revenue will rise, especially if the reduction of the assessment and a liberal expenditure on public works are hereafter accompanied by seasons less disastrous

disastrous than those which have just passed.—

6. Under these circumstances there can be little doubt of the averages of the next five years exceeding that of the last ten. and the Board consider that it is not desirable that the resources of Government should be compromised by the farm being given for a long period unless there are parties willing to take the contract on fair terms. It is expected that when the contract is given for a term of years the contractors will be almost secure from loss. because in addition to advantages of management they are enabled to balance good seasons against bad and that they will thus be enabled to offer rates favorable to the Government and at the same time safe to themselves.—

5. It may be that the present season is unfavorable for obtaining a suitable offer for a term of 5 years. If so it will be better to post pone the change in this point rather than hurry it on at the risk of so heavy a loss to the state.

6 The Board therefore resolve to instruct

instruct the Collector to put the Contracts up to auction, the average revenue of the last ten years being the minimum. He will explain by public notice the advantages of the term offered, but should no bid be made on the day of sale the Collector is authorized to close the sale and to notify a future day on which the contracts will be put up for a single year when put up for a single year the revenue of the present year should be the minimum.—

With reference to the forth and subsequent paras of Mr. Pelly's letter, the Board desire to observe that it does not appear to them that any change in the nature or extent of the security to be demanded is rendered necessary in consequence of the extension of the period of the farm. On the contrary the contract is likely to be so much more valuable to the contractors that they are less likely to risk its resumption by the Government. 8. The Collector should satisfy himself that the security offered is good and sufficient, but the Board are unwilling to adopt

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adopt measures which appear likely to limit the Compilation or at the present time to change the rules which have hitherto been in force.

No. 15.

To

G. D. Forbes Esquire

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

(25)

Bd. No. 662.

From the Collector of Masulipatam

Sir,

With reference to an Extract from the Board's Proceedings of the 1st instant No. 324 I have the honor to report for the information of the Board that of the 25 scales mentioned in the Indent forwarded to Board from this Office with Mr. Fraser's letter of the 21st November last No. 92, 20 were required for the Pondaka Coteur and 5 for Snoogoodoroo Coteur. The reason of such a large number being indented for, is that there are so many plat forms in both the Coteurs and so far a part from each other with swamps intervening, as to make it nearly impracticable to use the same scale for any two platforms.

Masulipatam,
Collector's Circuit Cutcherry,
at Goodevadah
29th February 1856

/ Signed / J. D. Lishington
Collector

Order Thereon

(23-24) Ordered to lie over

To

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No. 33.

R. G. S. Forbes Esqr.

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George.

(25)

Bd. No. 631.

From the Collector of Tanjore

× herewith enclosed.

Sir,

I have had the honor to receive a Petition No. 2687 of 1855 on which I am directed to report—

Petitioner complains of having been assaulted by the Police Ameen of Vadarnium, and states that his application for redress to the Session Court and to me, elicited no reply.—

Petitioners address to the Board is dated the 5th of September on which day he also petitioned me by post, my Office was at the time about fifty miles from Vadarnium, and the Petition did not reach me till the 7th idem it was not therefore possible for me to communicate my orders to Petitioner before he addressed the Board on the 5th

Petitioners Case was referred immediately to the Head Assistant Magistrate in whose charge the Tritrapoondy taluk is, and

punishment

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punishment was by that Officer is awarded to the parties against whom an assault was proved.

Tanjore
Vellum 20th February 1856.

/Signed/ H. Forbes
Collector

Bd. No. 652.

Proceedings thereon.

(25-26)

By a report from the Collector the Board learn that the Petitioner's complaint was promptly noticed and has been disposed of by the Magistracy.

No. 36.

To G. S. Forbes Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

(27.)

Bd. No. 690.
from the Collector of Madura.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose an advertisement for sale of lands in satisfaction of arrears of Public Revenue amounting to Rs pas 84—11—5, for publication in the Board's Office. The land proposed to be sold is of little value, hence the large extent hafted in proportion to the Balances.

Madura
21st February 1856

/Signed/ R. D. Parker
Collector.

Statement.

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Fort St. George, 1st March 1856.

Statement of the Lands to be sold.

Description of the Lands.			Extent of Assessment of arrears Rupees to be discharged by sale	Amount exclusive of Fields	Remarks
Defaulters Name.	Sales & Village	Name of Survey Number			
1	2	3	4	5	6
Sadayappen	Gen: fully	Gen: Nanjah	511	530	
			540		
Nallo Sounderam	Nallebmottah	Dº	Dº	184	
Pagoraman	Sing	Dº	Dº	481	
		Dº	Dº		
Kang Perum	Sing	Dº	Dº	543	
Moothoo	Veren	Dº	Dº	Ganjah 542	
Moroya	Nanigan	Dº	Dº	Garden 174	

Total 65 5½ 112 : 1 112 : 1

/Signed/ R. D. Parker
Collr.

Madura
21st February 1856

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No. 37

To

G. S. Forbes. Esqre

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Reveine

Fort St. George

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Bd. No. 691

From the Collector Madura — Sir,

I have the honor to enclose an advertisement for Sale of Lands in satisfaction of Public Revenue amounting to Rupees 184—4—5, for publication in the Board's Office

Madura, 21st February 1856. — /Signed/ R. D. Parker

Collector

Statement

3684 Fort St. George, 1st March 1856.

Statement of the Lands to be sold.

Defaulters Name	Description of the Land: Taluk	Village	whether Jungul Cowjah &c.	Number	Fields: Name	Extent	Assessment	Amount exclusive of arrears payable for Current Fasly	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
							Cas as	A. C. Rs a P	
Appoheyen —	Madura	Samiar Kulum	Cowjah	449	Poovarsade	East	5/2	1 13 2	1 13 2
Parea Veerarogavien and others	Do	Do	Do	448	Do	North	1/2	7 11	7 11
Vydelinguin Iyen	Do	Do	Do	532	Cadiv piraly	—	12 3/4	5 14 8	5 14 8
Sungaravarain Iyen	Do	Do	Do	490	Arsanagolum	North	2 3/4	1 7 4	1 7 4
Sobbyen	Do	Do	Do	56	Cadirpiraly	—	13/4	13 -	13 -
Vencatavam Iyen	Do	Do	Do	502	Arsangolum	—	6 3/4	3 9 3	3 9 3
Amirda Royer	Do	Do	Do	450	Poovarsade	North	1	5 3	5 3
Swaviraya Goundon and others	Do	Do	Do	558	Arasangolum	—	5	2 5 1	2 5 1
Appaboyen & others	Do	Do	Do	286	Pantamodian	North	1/2	1 2 9	1 2 9
Ramyan	Do	Do	Do	488	Arsangolum	North	4	2 2 -	2 2 -
Moottoovyen	Do	Do	Do	175	Cunghiamaicon	South	8	3 11 4	3 11 4
Vailappen ausery	Do	Do	Do	498	Arsangolum	North	1/2	4 3	4 3
Kulyana soodrial	Do	Do	Do	540	Do	Do	1	7 5	7 5
A. Savarimotto Goudon	Do	Do	Do	162	Nedoongan	North	2	14 10	14 10
Moottoo Krishnien	Do	Do	Do	583	Arsangolum	North	2	1 1 -	1 1 -
Moottoovayen	Do	Do	Do	498	Arsangolum	—	3	1 9 6	1 9 6
						Total	3 11 27	109	27 109

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E. E. /Signed/ R D Parker

Collector

3685 Fort St. George, 1st March 1856

No. 38.

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for publication in the Board's Office an advertisement of sale of Lands in satisfaction of arrears of Revenue amounting to Rupees 30—11—0.

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Bo. No. 692

From the Collector of Madura

Madura — 21st February 1856

(Signed) R. D. Parker

Collector

Statement

3686 Fort St. George, 1st March 1856.

Statement of the Lands to be sold—

Defaulters Names

Description of Lands.

Taluk | Village | Pymash No. | Extent | Assessment inclusive of arrears of Rent | Amount for which sold

No.	Fields								
1	Chockoo Moodely	Madurantum	Syenkoil Nanjah	72	Cawny	2	1	3	1
	Sidi Ismail Sr. Lodhyer	D°	D°	260	Ditto	4	13	10	1
	V. Ramier	D°	D°	28	Ditto	8	4	3	11
	Co. Venkatasawmy Iyer	D°	D°	253	Ditto	5	1	15	10
	Venkatasawmy Iyer	D°	D°	101	Ditto	5	2	5	1
	Muttia Bootee	D°	D°	Nanjah 10	Ditto	3¾	5	5	
					Total	1	11¾	11	15 2

(Signed) R. D. Parker

Collector

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K. Curpana Pillay	D°	D°	D°	393	Tarantidal East	"	2	"	10 2	"	10 2	
K. Mootoo Curpa Pillay	D°	D°	D°	478	Coottavalia Chey east	"	1	"	5 1	"	5 1	
Soobramoneyah pillay	D°	D°	D°	242	Mootwtal	"	1/2	"	4 9	"	4 9	
Sied Satuk toollah Maraikar	D°	D°	D°	346	Katingal North	"	2	"	15 3	"	15 3	
Rungasawmy pillay	D°	D°	D°	149	Kirdamariedy Voramy East	"	1/2	"	1 7	"	1 7	
Sebatyan	D°	D°	Poonjah	5	Vadakamootto Cottalain	"	1/2	"	9	"	9	
Lutchmoona Moocondla	D°	D°	D°	5	D° West	"	1/2	"	9	"	9	
Sied Eastoof	D°	D°	Nunjah	14	Gavodly pattaram East	"	3	1	6 11	1	6 11	
					Total	"	1 3/4	7	2 4	7	2 4	

Madura
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~~R~~ Per Signed/ R. D. Parker
Collector

P.S.

3690.

Fort St. George, 1st March 1850.

Statement of the Lands to be Sold

Defaulters Name	Description of the Lands: Talook	Village	whether Nunjah Poonjah &c.	No.	Name of Fields	Extent		assessment		amount exclusive of arrears payable for current Fasly		Remarks
	2	3	4	5	6	7 Cairs	as	8 Rs	a P	9 Rs	a P	10
Villyapillay	Madaculum	Sambai goody	Nunjah	20	Mandayadi	"	1 3/4	" 10	"	" 10	"	
Pitchimoothopillay	D°	D°	D°	109	Manigutty Genatadi	"	1	" 6	8	" 6	8	
K. Curapana pillay	D°	D°	D°	120	Soondan chey west	"	1	" 6	8	" 6	8	
Pareacurpa pillay	D°	D°	D°	92	Sambah chey	"	2	" 9	7	" 9	7	
Soobramony pillay	D°	D°	D°	22	Pillgadi	"	1	" 4	9	" 4	9	
Igeenpermah	D°	D°	D°	41	Sunnoottan Karai (west)	"	1/2	" 4	5	" 4	5	
Morka pillay	D°	D°	D°	92	Pambah chey	"	2	" 9	7	" 9	7	
Shik Mahamed Subadar	D°	D°	D°	184	Pottal	"	2 3/4	" 8	9	" 8	9	
					Total	"	12	3	12 5	3	12 5	

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Signed/ R. D. Parker
Collector

3691 Fort St. George, 1st March 1856

Bo. No. 654.

Proceedings thereon. (27-32.)

Under the explanation afforded the Board of Revenue authorize the sale for arrears of revenue of the lands alluded to in the letters above recorded, and direct the publication in their Office of the advertisements forwarded by the Collector, Monday the 7th April next being fixed for the day of sale. Mr. Parker will

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will be pleased to make a corresponding correction in the advertisements published in the District.

2. It is observed that the whole of the lands might have been entered in one advertisement, and submitted with a single letter.

Resolved that the following Statement be despatched.

To The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

Statement

3693
B.R. No. 636.

(33)

Fort St. George, 1st March 1856.

Statement shewing the state of the Crops in the undermentioned districts during January and the first half of February 1856.

District and Date.	Rain fall	State of the crops and the cultivation	Rice whether high or low rising, Paltry or Valuable	Further Remarks
5th and 6th Vizagapatam 18th inst. and 25th February 1856	No Rain	The crops are nearly all out in most of the talooks & extend the western where the January is the valuable crop. The Cultivation is commenced.		
5th Bellary 19th inst. and 2nd Feby 1856	"	First half of February	Rich but Valuable	
5th Canara 19th inst. and 2nd Feby 1856	"	The Sugarcane and Plantain crops are good	Valuable	
5th Ganjam 15th inst. and 28th Feby 1856	Slight showers	In the Southern Talooks the crops are in filling Slightly on the 2nd and 3rd Crop	Rich	
Revenue Board Office Fort St. George 1st March 1856		The dry Land crops have done		
		Salted by the rain, and the Paltry are Filling		

Sd/ [illegible]
Secretary

R.O.

L. B.

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No. 50

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Monday the 3rd March 1856.

Read the following Papers.

No. 188.

(34.)

B. No. 597.

From the Secretary to Government

To,

The Collector of

Sir,

The Government of India having called for a return of the quantities of Paddy and Rice imported by Sea into the Ports of this Presidency during the years 1854 and 1855, under the orders of the 27th December 1853 which suspended the levy of duty on those articles, as compared with the quantities imported during the two preceding years, I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to request that you will within seven days from the receipt of this letter, furnish a Return shewing the quantities of Paddy and rice imported by sea into your District from Foreign ports, that is Ports to which the order of the 27th December 1853 would apply in each of the four years 1852 to 1855.—

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2. I am also directed to request that you will state at the same time whether the order of 3d December 1853 above referred to was put in operation in your District immediately on its issue, and if not, when it was put in force.

Revenue Department
Fort St. George,
16th February 1856.

(Signed) J. D. Bourdillon.
Secretary to Government.

To
The Secretary to
Government.

(34-35)
B. No. 658.

Sir,

To the Secretary to Government.

Revenue Department

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that they may be furnished with a copy of the returns received in reply to your circular of 16th February 1856, calling for a Statement of the quantities of Paddy and Rice imported by sea during 1854 and 1855 as compared with the quantities imported during the two preceding years.

2. The Board will also be glad to receive

receive a Copy of the report to be submitted to the Bengal Government on this subject.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
3d March 1856.

(Signed) G. S. Forbes,
Secretary.

(36)
B. No. 652.
From the Secty. to Government.

No. 207.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 25th February 1856.

Statement shewing the state of the season in certain Districts during the 2d half of January 1856, submitted by the Board of Revenue 16th February 1856, No. 419.

In returning the reports submitted with this Statement, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council remarks that many of them are sent up to the Board with much want of punctuality. All are reports for the last half of January; but two+ are dated 8th February, that from Chingleput is dated the 9th and that from Cuddapah the 11th. The report from Coimbatore though dated 31st January was despatched

+ Guntoor. Tinnevelly.

despatched on the 8th. February. The Board are requested to call the attention of Collectors to the necessity and the easy practicability of these returns being submitted more punctually.

(A True Extract)

(Signed) J. D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government

(36-37)
B/. No. 666.

Order thereon - Ordered that a Copy be furnished to all Collectors for information and guidance -

(38.)
B/. No. 696

From the Actg. Dy. Secretary to Government - Order of Government on the Petition from Soobbarajoo Naidoo of Kangoondy Samsthanum in the Zillah of North Arcot dated 2d. November 1855 No. 2688 of 1855 -

Ordered that so much of the register be granted to the Petitioner as refers to the Enams of his Pollem -

Fort St. George — 26th. February 1856

By Order
(Signed) G. N. Taylor.
Actg. Dy. Secy. to Government.

To,
The Board of Revenue for

information with reference to their Endorsement dated 2d. February 1856.

(38-39)

Order thereon - Ordered to be recorded -

(40.)
B/. No. 689.

From the Secretary to Government — Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 27th. February 1856.

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue -

Submitting a letter from the Collector of Tanjore reporting on Petition No. 2416 of 1855 and stating that there is no objection to Petitioners being permitted to sue her brother in the Courts for her share of the Shrotriem - (Here enter 20th. February 1856 No. 473)

Ordered

3699. Fort St. George 3d March 1856.

Ordered that the following endorsement be made on Petition No. 2416 of 1855 and communicated to the Petitioner-

"The Right Honorable the Governor in Council permits Soolten Beebee under clause I Section. II Regulation IV of 1831, to sue in the Courts of Adawlut for her share of certain Shrotriem lands, enjoyed by her late grandfather, and situate in the Village of Tavoor of the Trivady Talook in the District of Tanjore, stated to be withheld by her brother."

(A true Extract)

(Signed) L. D: Bourdillon

Secretary to Government.

(40-41.)

Bd. No. 672.

Order thereon.

Ordered to be communicated to the Petitioner through the Collector of Tanjore.

Read

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Read again letter from the Collector of Coimbatore dated 15th and entered in Consultation 30th January 1856.

No. 21

To.

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

(42)

Bd. No. 586.

From the Actg Sub Collector in Charge of Coimbatore.

Sir

Adverting to the Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 30th Ultimo No. 290, I have the honor to forward an application in the prescribed form for the entertainment of a Sweeper on the Establishment of the Joint Magistrate at Pottacamund.

Coimbatore. 13th February 1856.

(Signed) G. L. Morris

Actg Sub Collector

in Charge

Charges

3701

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Charges

	Ordinary	Extra ordinary	Total
1852/53	1738	-	1738
1853/54	1732	-	1732
1854/55	1855	-	1855
1855/56 estimated	1871	-	1871

Extract from Home Department of Government of India

Nature of Charge

Permanent

Nº	Date	Office to which the proposition refers.—	Present Scale	Proposed Scale	Increase per Month	Decrease per Month
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Joint Magistrates office at Cotacamund				
		Manager	1 142	1 142	-	-
		Writer	1 20	1 20	-	-
		Moonshee	1 11	1 11	-	-
		Shroff	1 10	1 10	-	-
		Duffadar	1 7	1 7	-	-
		Peons	12 60	12 60	-	-
		Sweeper	- -	1 4	4	-
			17 153	18 157	4	-

Coimbatore Collectors Office 13th February 1856.

Proposition

Temporary. Increase per Month Period	Temporary. Decrease per month Period	Casual or Extraordinary	Grounds of Proposition	Local Governments recommendation	Orders of Government of India. Home Department Remarks	Financial Department Remarks	Orders
8	9 10	11 12	13	14	15	16	17
			No Sweeper was allowed for the Joint Magistrates Office but the one employed in the Moonsiffs Court performed the duties connected with the cleaning of both Offices. Removal to the Principal Sudr Amins Court which is in another part of Cotacamund renders it necessary to employ one exclusively for the use of the Joint Magistrates Office — Vide letter to Board dated 15th January 1856. Nº 14.—				

(Signed) G. L. Morris
Ast Sub Collector in Charge

Resolved

Bd No 670

Proceedings thereon

(42-43)

Resolved that the fore-going letters with their enclosures be sub-mitted for the consideration and orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.-

2- It seems that a Sweeper was not included in the Establishment sanction-ed in 1841. for the Joint Magistrates Office at Ootacamund because the one attached to the Moonsiffs Court performed the duties connected with both Offices. This arrangement cannot now be continued in consequence of the abolition of the Moonsiffs Court and the Establishment instead of the Principal Sudr ameens Court at a distance from the office of the Joint Magistrate.-

3 The Board therefore support the Collectors recommendation that sanc-tion be granted for the entertainment of a Sweeper for the Joint Magistrates Office on a salary of 4 Rupees per mensem an application in the prescribed tabular form is included among the papers now laid before Govern-ment.-

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Read

Read the following Papers.-

To. G. S. Forbes Esqre

Actg Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

(44)

Bd No 520

From the Civil Auditor - -

Sir

In acknowledging the receipt of Extracts from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue No 2663: 3386 and dated 12th October 1855 and 5th Janu-ary and 9th February 1856. respectively, I have the honor to request that you will furnish me with a copy of the Lists referred to in those Proceedings, and that on all future occasions of the Board's authorizing money payments in com-mutation of pensions, you will furnish this office with a list of the names of the parties whose allowances are commuted. This list I would observe is indispensable in the audit of the payments made from the Collectors Trea-suries.-

Fort St George. Civil Auditors Office 12th February 1856 - - - - - - - - -

(Signed) F. Lushington
Civil Auditor

1 Enclosure in From Tanjore 2nd inst in Cons 12 Octr 1855

2 Enclosure in Do 10th Decr 1855 in Cons 5th Jany 1856

3 Enclosure in From Malabar 11th Jany in Cons 9th Feby 1856.

(44-45)

Bd No 675

Order thereon.

Ordered that the Lists referred to

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to within be forwarded and the Civil Auditors requisition to be furnished in future with similar Lists be attended to.—

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To G. S. Forbes Esqr

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

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(46)

Br № 567

From the Collector of North Arcot ——— 1

Sir,

I have the honor with reference to Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 13th February 1856, requesting early replies to their communications of 18th May and 21st September 1854, to state with reference to the first those communications that in the Office copy of Extract Proceedings of the Board, on the subject of the reduction of assessment upon garden lands, My Predecessor entered a Note that the notice required as to the results of the measure would "best be given in the Summabundy Reports of every year beginning with Fusly 1264," and as it was intended to notice the subject in the Summabundy report now about to be transmitted, no separate communication has been addressed to the Board.—

If

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2 If the Board however desire to receive the information required in a separate letter, I will submit it as soon as the Tahsildars have replied to the orders which were sent to them on the subject.—

Several Takeeds have been sent to the Tahsildars who have neglected to furnish the information required and they have also been fined.—

3 With reference to the communication of the Board of the 21st September 1854, on the subject of the extent of cultivable and uncultivable land I beg to observe that I have written to the Jaghiredar of Arnee no less than 11 times on the dates noted in the Margin, requesting him to submit the information called for.—

13th November 1854
16th January 1855.
12th February "
20th March "
17th May "
9th July "
16th August "
14th September "
2nd October "
15th November "
21st January 1856.

The Jaghiredar has stated, that there are no accounts available which could furnish the information called for, but he has been told that there must be Ayacut accounts of some kind in his Villages and that he must forward the information demanded as accurately as circumstances will allow.—

With

4. With reference to the observation of the Board in the Extract Proceedings now under reply that their letter "Respecting Jungle Rents and Return tax" should be entered in the list of unanswered letters. I beg to state that there are no Jungle rents pasture taxes in this District.

North Arcot Collectors Cutcherry
Chittoor, 15th February 1856. — } (Signed) C. Whittingham
Collector

Bd No 676
Proceedings thereon. 1 The Board of Revenue prefer that the Collector should submit a separate report of the result of the reduction of the Assessment on Garden Lands instead of including it in the Summary report as contemplated by his Predecessor.

(46-47)

2 In respect to the information required from the Jaghiredar of Arnee to enable the Collector to reply to the Board's Circular of 21st September 1854 they think it sufficient if the total extent of the Jaghire be known.

No 17.

To

C. S. Forbes Esquire
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George.

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Bd No 585.

From the Collector, Sir,
of North Arcot } 3 Paras. I have the honor to state with reference to the letter of the Board of Revenue, No 3758 dated 29th August 1855. addressed to the Sub Collector in charge, Mr Binning, on the subject of Mr Kings allowance, that I regret to find that the information submitted in my letter to the Board of the 26th June last, is not correct.

2. It was derived from Mr King himself of whose statements I took a note in pencil, and I was at the time engaged in settling the Summah bundy of the Cauveypauk Talook and had no present means of verifying that statement.

3. Mr King has no duties to perform at Arcot. His duties are confined to the charge of the Dispensary at Ranepett, and to affording Medical assistance to the men employed

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employed at the Pauliar annicut.

4. The orders for the performance of this latter duty appears to have been contained in an Extract Minutes of Consultation forwarded by Mr Hing to Mr Binning when in charge, and transmitted by the latter Officer to the Board, in his letter of the 7th August 1855 No 106.

No Copy of this Extract Minutes of Consultation has been kept in the office.—

5. In the Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India, in the Financial department No 3715, dated 19 October 1854 communicated together with Extract Minutes of Consultation, No 1205, dated 14th November 1854 in Proceedings of the Board of Revenue No 28, dated 4th July 1855, Sanction is given to the employment at a cost of Rs 115—7—as per month of an apothecary of the higher grade to take charge of

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of the Civil Dispensary, recently established at Ranneefett, to be paid out of the surplus funds of the Dungurkhanah in this District, but no mention is made of any further payment out of those funds to a Medical Officer for visiting monthly the dispensary.—

It would appear therefore that it was intended that Mr Hing should be in sole charge of the dispensary.—

6. It appears however that Dr Herrin has upon an authority which has never been communicated to this office paid a monthly visit to the Civil Dispensary and on this subject I addressed a letter to the Board.—

7. Mr Hing has in accordance with the orders of Government, drawn the sum of Rs 115—7—as from the Dungurkhanah funds, and has received no further payments of any description from my treasury.—

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8. The Board ask whether the travelling allowance of 15 Rupees monthly is paid to the Surgeon of Vellore for visiting the Dispensary, from the Sungurkhanah funds. I have already stated that the sanction of the Supreme Government does not authorize any other payment out of the Sungurkhanah funds, than the monthly allowance of 115 ℔ to Mr. King, and I have also mentioned, that I yesterday brought Mr. Hervin's claims to the notice of the Board, but I here advert to the Boards question to point out that it is a sum of 4 Rupees a month, and not 15 Rupees that Mr. Hervin claims.

9. The sum of 15 Rupees was included in Mr. Bourchiller's first proposition, which was not carried out. His proposal was, that the assistant apothecary in charge of the Military of the Station at Ranipett, should be replaced by a full apothecary who should receive 35 Rupees monthly for

for the charge of the dispensary, out of the 50 Rupees allowed for the Medical Officer in charge and that the remaining 15 Rupees should be paid to the garrison Surgeon of Vellore, as travelling allowance for visiting and inspecting the dispensary once a month.

10. This proposal has been superseded by the arrangements, as has been seen, of placing a full apothecary in charge, who is paid 115 Rupees out of the Sungurkhanah funds.

11. In conclusion, I would beg to observe that the correspondence on this subject is somewhat voluminous, and that it has not been easy on account of the two distinct proposals that were made for the management of the Dispensary to arrive at the true merits of the case.

North Arcot,
Collector's Cutcherry,
Chittoor
16th February 1856.

/Signed/ C. Whittinghame
Collector

Ordered

Ordered to be submitted to Government with the previous correspondence.

To

The Secretary to

Government

Sir,

Adverting to Extract from the Minutes of Consultation dated 9th August 1855, in which the Government desire to be informed regarding the nature of Mr. King's duties and position at Ranneput. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to submit further information and orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council a letter from the Collector of North Arcot dated 16th February explaining these points.

2. Mr. Whittingham addressed the Board of Revenue in the 30th March 1855 requesting their orders regarding the amount of Mr. Kings allowances and was instructed by the Board that if Mr. King was in sole charge of the dispensary he was entitled under the orders of Government / Extract Minutes Consultation 4th September 1854 / to an allowance of Rs 115-7 from

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Bd. No. 674.

To the Secretary to Government

Submitting letter from the Collector and Sub Collector in charge of Salt stating regarding the nature of Mr. King's duties and position at Ranneput and stating that as Mr. King already draws the full amount with which it was intended to charge the Jungalkhana Funds Rs. 115-7 they consider it inexpedient to sanction any further disbursement from those funds for his allowance

In Cons. 21st May 1855.

Bd. Pro. 21st May 1855

In Cons. 25th September 1854.

from the Jungerkhana Funds.

3. Mr. Whittingham replied that Mr. King drew Rupees 115-7 as his Military pay from the Collectors Cutcherry and claimed an additional 35 Rupees from the Jungerkhana funds, his pay at Cannanoor / Rupees 115 / having nearly equalled the joint amounth of these two sums; this letter dated June 26th the Board submitted for the orders of Government and were then directed to ascertain more particularly what was the position of the Apothecary and why the orders of Government had not been carried out.

In Cons. 20th July 1855.

From Govt. 4th In Cons. 29th August 1855.

4. Mr. Whittingham in the letter now forwarded states that the information given in his letter of the 26th June was erroneous and that Mr. King has been in receipt of an allowance of 115-7 from the Jungerkhana funds; this appears to be in accordance with the arrangement intended by this Government and sanctioned by the Government of India in Extract Minutes Consultation dated 19th October 1854.

In from Govt. 14th November 1854 In Cons. 4th January 1855.

5. Mr. Whittingham also states that Mr. King has no Military Duties and that the dispensary

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dispensary is inspected once a month by the Garrison Surgeon of Vellore

In Cons. 29th August 56. 6. A letter dated 7th August was received from the Sub Collector in charge of North Arcot during the time that Mr. Whittingham's letter of 26th June was under reference to Government, in which Mr. Binning states that Mr. King claims the further allowance of 35 Rupees in consideration of the Duty imposed on him by Extract Minutes Consultation 26th June 1833. which require that he should afford Medical Treatment in the dispensary to persons employed on the Palaur Annicut.

Com from Nether Sir and 29 August 1856

7. This letter is also forwarded, the Board direct me to observe that Mr. King already draws the full amount with which it was intended to charge the Lungerkhana funds viz. Rupees 115 — which is much beyond what was contemplated in Mr. Boundillon's original scheme, they consider therefore that it is inexpedient to sanction any further disbursement from the Lungerkhana funds for Mr. King's allowance, though it would appear that his pecuniary emoluments have been much reduced

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reduced by his transfer from Cannanore to the Ramesseram dispensary.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort Saint George
3rd March 1856.

/Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary.

No. 24

To
G. S. Forbes. Esquire
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George.

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Bd. No. 661

From the Collector of Coimbatore

Sir,

I have the honor to forward Copy of a letter from Lieutenant Fraser I. C. Engy Dated 3rd December 1855. applying for a piece of land at Coonoor measuring four Cawnies as per accompanying plan and to request the sanction of the Board for putting up the same to public auction, as its occupancy by the above Gentleman appears unobjectionable, whether on public or private grounds. —

2. The extent of the land as given in Lieutt. Frasers, application amounts to three Cawnies, but on actual measurement it was found to Contain four

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four Cawnies, for which the plan has been accordingly prepared at his request.

3. A Specification of the ground applied for is enclosed herein.—

Cotacamund 19th February 1856 } /Signed/ C. B. Thomas Collector.

No. 1.

To

C. B. Thomas Esquire

Collector of Coimbatore

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 29th Ultimo No. 285, restricting my application for five Cawnies of land at Coonoor, to three Cawnies which quantity you inform me will be granted if required — I therewith beg to renew my application for the ground within the limitation prescribed by you Viz. three Cawnies.—

Coonoor 3rd December 1855 } /Signed/ H. A. Fraser Lieut. 1. N.

/True Copy/

/Signed/ C. B. Thomas

Collector

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No. 2 Plan.

No. 3.

Memorandum

Lieutenant Fraser applies for a piece of land at Coonoor, for building purposes, measuring four Cawnies, as per accompanying plan. It is bounded on three sides by the Road to Jakatalah, and its occupancy by Lieutenant Fraser, appears unobjectionable whether on public or private grounds the upset price thereon calculated at 8 years Quit-rent amounts to 36—0—8 at 1—3—4 per Cawny per Annum.—

Cotacamund 19th February 1856 } /Signed/ C. B. Thomas Collector

B. No. 663

Proceedings thereon.

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Under paras VI and VII of the Manual of Instructions for the grant of lands on the Neilgherry Hills, the Board of Revenue, agreeably to the recommendation of the Collector, direct that the land applied for by Lieutenant Fraser, measuring 4 Cawnies, be put up to public auction at the upset price of Rupees 36—0—8, calculated at 8 years Quit Rent, and that it be knocked down to the highest bidder or to the applicant

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applicant if there be no advance upon the upset price, subject to the conditions and limitations of the said Manual.

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To

G. S. Forbes Esquire
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George.

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Bd. No. 681.

From the Collector of Masulipatam

Sir.

I have already informed you that on opening the Packages containing the Printing Press sent for the use of this District, I found only a little pamphlet advertising American Saws - The Press however has been since set up apparently all right, with a single exception. In the machinery on either side the Stand intended to lift the Press over the Stone, it was found that the screw and Springs of one side was wanting I showed the one that was received to the Officer Superintending the ordnance Office at this Station with a view

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view of ascertaining if the others could be made here - He felt no doubt that it could be made properly at the arsenal and I hope he will succeed - Should he fail, I will communicate the same to you, but I think it desirable to report to you that the Press was not complete, Perhaps the missing portion may have been packed

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packed in some of the cases sent to other Districts and if so it may be as well to send it here

Masulipatam
Collectors Circuit Cutcherry
at Goodewadh
20th February 1856

/Signed/ I. A. Lushington
Collector

Bd No 671

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Proceedings thereon.

The Board re-

Ganjam
Rajahmundry
N. Arcot
Nellore
Salem

-solve to forward a copy of the foregoing letter to those Collectors to whom Iron Presses have been sent, in view to their reporting whether any surplus articles have been found in the cases containing these Presses

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No. 22

To

J. S. Forbes Esquire
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

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B. No. 653

From the Collector of North Arcot, Sir

I have the honor to submit for the information and consideration of the Board of Revenue Copies of the Correspondence noted in the Margin, and to request with reference thereto, that, as it is necessary to remove the Arcot Dispensary from the building at present occupied at Rawneepett, sanction may be obtained for the payment out of the Pagodah funds of house rent for a suitable building at Rawneepett.—

From the Asst. Collector Sub Division 11th February 1856 with enclosures

From Do. Do. dated 11th Febry 1856 with enclosures

North Arcot
Collectors Cutcherry
Chittoor
21st February 1856

/Signed/ C. Whittingham
Collector

No. 1
No. 10

To

Lieutenant Colonel C. Rosmer
Commanding Arcot

Sir

With reference to your letter of the 8th instant No. 38. I have the honor to inform you, that I have placed myself in communication with the Collector of North Arcot on the subject with a view to his obtaining the orders of

of Government thereon as in Para 2 Extract Minutes Consultation dated 16th. May 1854 — No. 478 Public Department sanctioning the Dispensary at Arcot it is observed "the cost "of the Arcot Dispensary is the same as in "Vellore Mines House rent as it is stated that "there are unoccupied Government buildings "there suited for the purpose" by which you will perceive that there is no sanction for house rent.—

2 I shall feel obliged however by your informing me whether the building alluded to in Para 4 of Colonel Taylors' letter to Mr. Binning dated 15th. February 1856 No. 40 as at present transferred to the Electric Telegraph Department is the Native Hospital mentioned in the M.B. to your letter under reply or another building and in the latter case whether it is now available as I have been informed that the Electric Telegraph Department at Arcot has been broken up.—

North Arcot — — — —
Sub Collr's Circuit Cutchery
Vellore — — — — —
11th. February 1856 — — —

Signed A. W. Sullivan
D. Asst. Collector
in charge of Sub Division

To

No. 484

To

A. W. Sullivan Esquire
Sub Collector of North Arcot

Sir

I do myself the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication No. 10 dated the 11th. instant, and enclose you a Copy of the instructions forwarded to me from Division Head Quarters, to make over the native Hospital &c. &c. to the Civil Engineer of the District This transfer was made previously to the removal of the Electric Telegraph Establishment from this station.—

It has now become urgently necessary that, the Civil Dispensary should be removed from the European Hospital with as little delay as possible; for there is a patient now in the Barracks, who for want of accommodation in the Hospital must remain there, a vacant House I should say could be readily procured in the Contonment for a Dispensary for from eight to twelve Rupees a Month.—

Arcot — — —
14th. February 1856

Signed C. Hosmer Lieut. Col.
Commanding Arcot

To

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No. 673

To

The Officer Commanding

Sir

Arcot

I have the honor by order of the Major General Commanding the Division under instructions × from Army Head Quarters to request you will be so good as to enquire that the Native Hospital No. 7 at Ramepett lately in use with the Electric Telegraph Department as also the powder Magazine No. 9 may be handed over to Captain Johnston, Civil Engineer 4th Division and accordingly reported in the annual Returns of Public Military buildings.—

× as per letter dated 13th December 1855 No. 2057 from the 2d Lt. Gl. of the Army.—

Dy. A. Qr. Mr. Gls. Office
Centre Division . . .
Madras 13th December 1855.

/Signed/ Arthur Drury
Dy. Apst. Qr. Mr. Gl. C. D.

/True Copy/
/Signed/ C. Hosmer Lt. Colt.
Commanding Arcot

/True Copy/
/Signed/ A. W. Sullivan
Head Apst. Coll. in charge of Sub Dn.

To C. Whittingham Esqre
Collector of North Arcot

For his information with reference to the D. Apst. Coll. in charge Sub Division's letter to his address No. 11 dated 11th February 1856.—

/True Copies/
/Signed/ C. Whittingham
Collector

To

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No. 11

To C. Whittingham Esquire
Collector of North Arcot

Sir

I have the honor to submit true Copy of a letter from the Officer Commanding Arcot No. 38 dated 8th Instant and to request your instructions thereon you will observe by Para 2 Extract Minutes Consultation dated 16th May 1854 Public Department, No. 178, that the Government when sanctioning the Dispensary at Arcot did not contemplate at any time having to pay House rent and as you are aware the state of the funds are such as to call for retrenchment in expence rather than otherwise.—

2 I also annex for reference true Copies of the correspondence alluded to in the Commanding Officers letter now submitted.—

3 A Copy of Colonel Taylors letter appears to have been forwarded to you with Mr. Binnings letter of the 3d February 1855 No. 48.—

North Arcot . . . . .
Sub. Collectors Circuit Cutchery
Vellore . . . . . .
11th February 1856 . . . .

/Signed/ A. W. Sullivan
Dy. Apst. Coll. in charge of Sub Division

/True Copy/
/Signed/ C. Whittingham
Collector

To

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No. 38

To A. W. Sullivan Esquire

Sir In charge of the Sub Coll.r Office
North Arcot

I do myself the honor to acquaint you that with reference to a communication No. 14. dated 1st. February 1856 from Lieutenant Colonel C. Taylor then Commanding Arcot, one half of the European Hospital at this station was, as a temporary measure made over for the use of the Civil Dispensary, the other half of the building being occupied by the sick of the 2d. Native Veteran, Battalion, and Details from different Corps on leave.—

It has now become necessary that the Civil Dispensary should be removed, to afford accommodation to the sick of the Families, and Men belonging to the Depot of the 2d. European Light Infantry who have recently arrived here, and I have to request that, as inconvenience has already been experienced for want of room in the Hospital to lodge European patients, you will be so good as to provide a house for the Dispensary which can be easily obtained from among the

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the many vacant ones at present in the Cantonment.—

The Civil Dispensary has been accomodated for one year without any apparent intention of removal, which was not the original understanding, anticipating that the Hospital would be required for Military purposes as in the present instance.—

Arcot
8th. February 1856

/Signed/ Chas. Hosmer Lt. Colonel
Commanding Arcot

N. B. The Native Hospital is not available, being in possession of the Civil Engineers Department.—

/True Copy/
/Signed/ A. W. Sullivan
Head Asst. Collector
in Charge of Sub Division

/True Copy/
/Signed/ C. Whittingham
Collector

No. 40

To R. M. Binning Esquire

Sir Sub Collector of North Arcot

I am sorry that I have been prevented by absence from replying to your letter No. 6, of the 11th. Ultimo.—

In now doing so I have the honor

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honor to state that there is no building e-
eligible and available for the Civil Dispen-
=sary about being established at Arcot which
I can make over for that purpose.—

The only arrangement in my en-
power is one of a temporary nature which
is to give up half the general Hospital to
the required purpose, but which an European
Troop Coming to the station would require
to be vacated.—

I am told a building at pre-
present transferred to the Telegraph De-
partment for the object of an office is not
likely to be used by that Department and
should it be retransferred to the Military
authority it can then be appropriated
to the purposes of the Civil Dispensary.—

In the mean time I will give
instructions for the half of the general Hospital
as above stated to be placed at your disposal.—

Contonment . . .
Adjutants Office
Arcot . . . . .
1st February 1856

(Signed) C. Taylor Lt. Colonel
Commanding Arcot

To

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No. 6

To Lieutenant Colonel Taylor
Commanding Arcot

Sir

I do myself the honor to for-
=ward for your perusal the enclosed docu-
=ments (Original) received from the Collec-
=tor of this District, by which you will perceive
=that Government has directed upon
the immediate establishment of a Civil
Dispensary at Ranneepett under the en
charge of an Apothecary of the higher grade
I now request that you will be so good as
to select from among the Government e-
Buildings now unoccupied in the Canton-
=ment of that station, a suitable building
for this Dispensary, which it is the desire
of Government to have instituted, and put
in operation as soon as may be practicable
should any repairs &c. be required I beg
that you will cause an Estimate for the
same to be made out without delay so that
the work may be commenced at once.—

2 I have put myself in communication
with the Garrison Surgeon at Vellore in re-
=gard to the supply of Medicines, implements
hospital furniture &c. that will be required.—

There

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3. There is but one person in my office capable of Copying English letters and his time is now fully occupied with the reports of the revenue settlement. This must plead my excuse for sending you the Original papers forwarded to me by Mr. Whittingham and which I request you will be good enough to return to me after inspection instead of Copies of the same.—

Arnee 11th January 1856.

(Signed) R. M. Binning
Sub Collector

True Copies
(Signed) A. W. Sullivan
Head Asst. Collector
in Charge of Sub Dn.

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B. No. 679
Proceedings thereon

True Copies
(Signed) C. Whittingham
Collector

The Board understand from Lieutenant Colonel Hosmer's letters to the Head Assistant Collector that the Civil Dispensary was placed in the Hospital as a temporary arrangement and that as the Hospital is required for the sick of the 2d European Depôt, its immediate removal has become necessary. Mr. Sullivan explains that it was the intention of Government that the Dispensary should occupy a public building

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building no charge having been sanctioned for rent. The Lungerkanah funds are stated to be in a condition to require retrenchments rather than increased expenditure. Mr. Whittingham in recommending that they should be charged with the rent of a house gives no explanation on this head nor has he stated why no steps have been taken up to this time to provide accomodation for the Establishments of the Dispensary. It appears that the building now appropriated as an office by the Civil Engineer might have been available if applied for on the first opening of the Dispensary.—

As however no Government building is at present available and the wants of the European Depôt are urgent, the Board authorize the Collector to rent a house for the use of the Dispensary, from the surplus Lungerkhana funds.—

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No. 41

To
G. A. Forbes Esquire
Secretary to
Court of Wards
Fort St. George

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B. No. 707
From the Collector
of Madura

Sir

With reference to Para 23 of my Report

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Report on the jummabundy of the Minor Zemindary of Shevagungah for Fusly 1264 I have the honor to forward a Copy of the Report of the Sub Collector on the Ayacoody Estate which is under the Management of the Court of Wards.—

Madura - - - - }
23d February 1856 }

(Signed) R. D. Parker
Collector

No 168

To

R. D Parker Esquire
Collector of
Madura

Sir

I have the honor to en-

closed with Statements specified in the margin, the annual Report on the estate of Minor Poligar of Ayacoody, at present under the care of the Court of Wards.—

1. The

* already given
Prepared according to the Forms which accompanied Circular of Board of Revenue dated 19th September 1855 / No 1 Statement shewing the number of Villages Nos 2 D. of Cultivation and settlement of Ryatwar & Villages.—

J. R. B.

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No 3 General Abstract of the whole Revenue demand.
No 4 Collection Demand and Balance.-
No 5 Receipts and Charges
No 6 Demand Collection and Charges.-
(Prepared as usual)
1 General Abstract
1 Abstract of Ayen & Punnee
1 Statement of Receipts and Disbursements
1 Do of Demand Collection and Balance
1 Do of arrears

2 The settlement was made by the present Manager Soobien, the Tahsildar of Tyempully acting under the orders of the late Acting Sub Collector, Mr Child.-

3 The annexed Statement shows the settlement of the current Fasly, as compared with that of 1263, and those of the three preceding Faslies.-

Fuslies

Fuslies

	Settlement Amount	Settlement amount of Fusly 1264	Comparison Increase	Comparison Decrease
1	2	3	4	5
	Rs a P.	Rs a P	Rs a P	Rs a P
1260	19,126 15 2			
1261	20,791 9 1			
1262	21,648 14 10	20,772 8 9	1,646 9 7	- -
1263	21,722 12 11		- - -	19 - 4
			- - -	876 61
			- - -	950 42

4. The subjoined Statement shews the Villages and hamlets in the Poliput - They have not varied in number since its assumption. -

No. I

Particulars	Fusly 1263 Inhabited	Fusly 1263 Deserted: Lately	Fusly 1263 Total	Fusly 1264 Inhabited	Fusly 1264 Deserted: Lately	Fusly 1264 Total	Comparison Increase	Comparison Decrease
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Villages Ayen Zemindary	9	-	9	9	-	9	-	-
Villages Enam	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-
Villages Dêvastanum	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-
Total	11	-	11	11	-	11	-	-
Hamlets Ayen	11	5	16	11	5	16	-	-
Grand Total	22	5	27	22	5	27	-	-

Particulars

No. II

Particulars		Fusly 1263	Fusly 1264	Increase	Decrease
	1	2	3	4	5
Ryots	Residents	834	824	-	10
Ryots	Non residents	206	219	13	-
	Total	1,040	1,043	13	10
	Puttahs	1,184	1,173	-	11
	Ploughs	1,075	1,078	3	-
Cattle	Plaughing oxen	2,150	2,150	-	-
Cattle	Do. Buffaloes	116	123	7	-
	Total	2,266	2,273	7	-
Cattle	Cows	1,346	1,324	-	22
Cattle	Calves	743	735	-	8
	Total	2,089	2,059	-	30
Cattle	She buffaloes	384	384	-	-
Cattle	Young Do	214	219	5	-
	Total	598	603	5	-
	Sheep & Goats	3,565	3,886	321	-

The

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5 The influx of non-resident exceeds the loss occasioned by the irrigation of resident Ryots by 3.

6. There is a marked increase in the number of sheep and goats - Notwithstanding the drought of the season, there is no disease amongst them, though from the deficiency of pasture, they are reported to be in low condition..

7 There is an increase of three in the number of ploughs..

8 The accompanying Statement shews the nature and extent of the Irrigational sources of the Estate Rupees 964 has been expended on them, out of the collections chiefly in repairs to Tanks and to the Watercourses running from the Annicut - Of the wells, which are said to be numerous, 3 only have been repaired, and those by the ryots themselves, 55. Still remaining in a state of dilapidation.

Fasly

No. III

Particulars		Fasly 1263 In repair	Fasly 1263 Out of repair	Fasly 1263 Total	Fasly 1264 In repair	Fasly 1264 Out of repair	Fasly 1264 Total
Repaired by the Zemindar	Tanks	12	10	22	12	10	22
	Ponds	1	27	28	1	27	28
	Channels	7	3	10	7	3	10
	Anicuts	1	"	1	1	"	1
	Wells	"	"	"	"	"	"
	Total	21	40	61	21	40	61
Repaired by Ryots	Tanks	3	"	3	3	"	3
	Ponds	7	"	7	7	"	7
	Wells	214	58	272	217	55	272
	Total	224	58	282	227	55	282
Total	Tanks	15	10	25	15	10	25
	Ponds	8	27	35	8	27	35
	Channels	7	3	10	7	3	10
	Anicuts	1	"	1	1	"	1
	Wells	214	58	272	217	55	272
	Grand Total	245	98	343	248	95	343

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9 The Rent Roll annexed shows a decrease in the number of ryots of 4 on the settlement of Rupees 950-4-2. It appears that the late Zemindar was in the habit, as adverted to by the late Sub Collector in his Report for Fusly 1263, of inducing cultivation by granting tracts of land on favorable Cowles to his dependants and others who gained favor with him, and in bad years, of making unusually large remissions. On the assumption of the Estate both these practices ceased, and in consequence many ryots threw up their holdings, while others deterred by the rates that were newly fixed on the lands, declined taking them up. Two of the more wealthy however added to their Puttahs.

Fusly

No. IV

	Fusly 1263			Fusly 1264			Comparison Increase			Decrease		
	No. of Ryots.	Amount of assessment.	Assets Ryots.	No. of Ryots.	Amount of assessment.	Assets Ryots.	No. of Ryots.	Amount of assessment.	Assets Ryots.	No. of Ryots.	Amount of assessment.	Assets Ryots.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
		Rs. a p.			Rs a p		Rs a p			Rs a p		
Above Rs 1,000	1	1,436 3 9	1	1,023 2 1	"	"	"	"	"	393 1 8		
From Rs 250 to 500	5	1,641 2 6	7	2,113 2 8	2	472 " 2	"	"	"	"	"	"
" 200 " 250	4	915 1 7	1	206 " 7	"	"	"	"	3	709 1 "		
" 150 " 200	4	654 13 4	2	360 1 10	"	"	"	"	2	294 11 6		
" 100 " 150	11	1,278 10 11	8	919 10 "	"	"	"	"	3	359 " 11		
" 75 " 100	17	1,464 3 9	15	1,268 12 1	"	"	"	"	2	195 7 8		
" 50 " 75	37	2,288 14 10	33	1,983 6 10	"	"	"	"	4	305 8 "		
" 40 " 50	23	1,015 2 9	28	1,251 15 9	5	236 13 "	"	"	"	"	"	"
" 30 " 40	62	2,130 4 5	61	2,086 13 8	"	"	"	"	1	43 6 9		
" 20 " 30	103	2,578 8 11	99	2,414 9 4	"	"	"	"	4	103 15 7		
" 10 " 20	244	3,500 12 3	239	3,400 " "	"	"	"	"	5	100 12 3		
" 1 " 10	505	2,591 15 5	517	2,687 12 9	12	95 13 4	"	"	"	"	"	"
Under 1 Rupee	24	16 13 6	24	13 14 5	"	"	"	"	"	2 15 1		
Total	1,040	21,432 11 11	1,035	19,729 6 "	19	804 10 6	24	2,508 " 5				
Joint Puttahs	"	" " "	1	753 1 9	1	755 1 9	"	" "	"			
Grand Total	1,040	21,432 11 11	1,036	20,482 7 9	20	1,557 12 3	24	2,508 " 5				

10 Subjoined is the Statement shewing the allotment of land remissions and net settlement of the Estate for the Fusly under review.

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No V

Description	No.	Fusly 1263 Extent of Land	Fusly 1263 Assessment	Fusly 1264 Extent of land	Fusly 1264 Assessment	Increase Extent of land	Increase Assessment	Decrease Extent of land	Decrease Assessment
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		Cawnies As	Rs a P Cawn As	Rs a P Cawn As	Rs a P	Cawn As	Rs a P	Cawn As	Rs a P
Poonjah or Dry		12321 4½	16178 0 5	8720 8	11029 4	0 0 0	0 0 0	3600 12½	5743 12 5
Bagayet or Garden		655 14½	2939 1 9	619 4½	2764 11 1	0 0 0	0 0 0	36 9¾	174 6 8
Nunjah		2072 10½	13271 4 7	1947 15	12129 7 11	0 0 0	0 0 0	124 11½	1141 12 8
Total		15049 13¼	32383 6 9	11287 11½	25923 7 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	3762 1¾	6459 15 9
Cultivated land		11518 7½	26928 10 9	11254 2¾	25770 11 6	0 0 0	0 0 0	264 4¾	1159 15 3
Cabooleaty Banjer		3531 5¾	5454 12 0	33 8¾	152 11 6	0 0 0	0 0 0	3497 13	5302 0 6
Total of Dittum	1	15049 13¼	32383 6 9	11287 11½	25923 7 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	3762 1¾	6459 15 9
Deduct Waste land	2	3342 11	6219 9 7	33 2	150 13 10	0 0 0	0 0 0	3309 9	5068 11 9
Remainder Cultivation	3	11518 7½	26928 10 9	11254 2¾	25770 11 6	0 0 0	0 0 0	264 4¾	1157 15 3
Waste brought to account	4	188 10¾	235 2 6	0 6¾	1 13 8	0 0 0	0 0 0	188 4	233 4 9
Total		11707 2¼	27163 13 2	11254 9½	25772 9 2	0 0 0	0 0 0	452 8¾	1391 4 0
Particulars of Cultivation: Poonjah	5	9136 13¼	11801 12 10	8720 8	11029 4 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	416 5¼	772 8 10
Garden	6	554 15	2428 9 7	591 15	2042 10 1	37 0	214 0 6	0 0 0	0 0 0
Nunjah	7	2015 6	12933 6 9	1942 2½	12100 11 1	0 0 0	0 0 0	73 3½	832 11 8
		11707 2¼	27163 13 2	11254 9½	25772 9 2	37 0	214 0 6	489 8¾	1605 4 6
Remarks Remissions: Hooloor Enoam	8	0 0 0	3770 0 5	0 0 0	3527 0 9	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	212 15 8
Turnus Cummivor Fyoul Betel converted into Nunjah	9	0 0 0	73 7 3	0 0 0	86 3 10	0 0 0	12 12 7	0 0 0	0 0 0
Do on Fyoul Sugar Cane converted into Nunjah	10	0 0 0	9 11 10	0 0 0	9 12 0	0 0 0	0 0 2	0 0 0	0 0 0
Do on Nunjah Converted into Poonjah	11	0 0 0	332 5 3	0 0 0	389 8 7	0 0 0	57 3 4	0 0 0	0 0 0
Ready Money: Rent of Hill Villages	24	0	232 1 0	0	232 1 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Pasture tax	25	0	0 0 0	0	214 9 4	0	214 9 4	0 0 0	0 0 0
Rented on land used for manufacturing Salt Petre	26	0	58 0 0	0	58 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Total		0	1026 12 3	0	1191 9 6	0	285 14 7	0	121 1 4
Grand total including Ready Money Collections	27	0	21722 12 11	0	20772 8 9	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	950 4 2

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No V

Description	No.	Fusly 1263 Extent of Land	Fusly 1263 Assessment	Fusly 1264 Extent of Land	Fusly 1264 Assessment	Increase Extent of land	Increase Assessment	Decrease Extent of Land	Decrease Assessment	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
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Do on Tobacco Contracted into Poonjah	12	"	11154	"	137135	"	2681	"	"	
Total		"	1296141	"	1150 67	"	9682	"	21.2158	116-7-6
Shanars remission	13	"	32664	"	17611	"	"	"	308151	
Inamasih Cummi on Poonjah converted into Manjah	14	"	171138	"	217 67	"	15811	"	"	
Do on Potentakee cultivated	15	"	1103	"	7124	"	621	"	"	
Coomb Inam granted by the late Zemindar	16	"	1662114	"	1183122	"	"	"	179 22	
Half terumds on Cottow of the 2d year	17	"	822	"	"	"	"	"	822	
Teermah Cummi on lands newly improved and renewed in 9 months	18	"	"	"	9128	"	9128	"	"	
Do on Annual Poonjah land	19	"	"	"	305 8	"	305 8	"	"	
Total		"	2170145	"	2041 34	"	3668 4	"	49635	129-14-8
Grand Total of Remissions		"	646126	"	6191 911	"	463 6	"	73931	276-2-7
Remainder Land Revenue		"	2069618	"	19580153	"	"	"	11515	
Topes adjacent	Rented 20	"	22754	"	263 11	"	3658	"	"	
	Held on Pottah 21	"	71911	"	7696	"	4157	"	"	
Total		"	298453	"	3240 46	"	4153	"	"	
Rent on Samy Bogam tenures	22	"	20	"	20	"	"	"	"	
Fish Rent	23	"	417 12	"	296 108	"	"	"	121 14	
Rent of Hill Villages	24	"	232 14	"	232 1	"	"	"	"	
Pasture tax	25	"	"	"	2449 4	"	2449 4	"	"	
Rented on land used for manufacturing Saltpetre	26	"	58	"	58	"	"	"	"	
Total		"	1026123	"	1191 96	"	285147	"	12114	
Grand total including Ready Money Collections		"	21722111	"	20772 89	"	"	"	95042	

Remissions

Ready Money Collections

11. For the reason stated in para 9 and the difficulty experienced in inducing the ryots to cultivate at the rates fixed by Government it was found necessary to reduce them. Before however the amount of Reduction had been fully decided on by the Manager the sowing season was far advanced and eventually of out of 10287 Cants which were taken up it was found necessary to remit the whole of the taxe of 33 of them amounting to 150 Rupees with the exception of a small sum of Rs 1-13-8 which was Collected on a portion of Totums and Punjab having wells and which the owners had therefore no excuse for leaving waste-

12 The following Table exhibits the land left waste the proportion of the waste Remitted and that Charged-

No XII

Particulars	Cahoolaty Punjab Land	assessment	Deduct waste Remitted- Land	assessment	Remainder Charged- Land	Assessment
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Cannies a p	Rs a p	a p	Rs a p	a p	Rs a p
Garden	27 9 3/4	123 3 "	27 5 1/2	122 1 "	" 4 1/2	1 2 "
Punjab	5 15	29 8 9	5 12 1/2	28 12 10	" 2 1/2	" 11 8
	33 8 3/4	152 11 6	33 2	150 13 10	" 6 3/4	1 13 8

13 The decrease under the head of Poonjah is attributable-

To

1st To cultivation in the beds of Tanks having been prohibited-

2d To the very high assessment on sheval or red land Ves

3d To 67 Cannies which were brought to account last year but which having been given in perpetuity and free of taxe by the late Zemindar to his brother were restored to him by order of the Board of Revenue dated the 27th July 1855-

14 By the prohibition of cultivation in the beds of tanks 157 Cannies assessed at Rupees 340 were at once withdrawn from the available Poonjah lands as they stood in the accounts of the late Poligar this measure was taken at the assumption of the Paliput as it was found that the cost of Restoring the beds to their level destroyed by the plough and by the influse of water during the monsoon which acting on the loosened earth had a tendency to silt it up in heaps would more than Counterbalance the Revenue derived from their cultivation-

15 The Rooloo assessment on red soils had been assessed so high that the Zemindars annually found it necessary to make large Remissions- When the Estate was taken under the

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the Court of Wards the full Hooloo Teerwah. was at first demanded. It soon became manifest Rowmes that at such rates there would be no Cultivators and the case was therefore Reduced by the late Sub Collector Mr. Clarke 2 fanams per Coly on all the waste that on the lands under Cultivation Remaining unaltered the Consequence was there were mostly thrown up while on the Contrary the waste at the new rates were eagerly sought for -

16 Many Ryots also threw up their nunjah Lands on which the Fayal Hooloo Rates had been fixed and the Holders of such Lands as escpired last years Relinquishments threw on the Lands comprized in them became liable to the same assessment The decrease under these two heads amounts to Rupees 859-

17 The Remaining decrease of Rupees 406-4-4 is accounted for by the Lands which were granted to his Brothers on a verbal order and in perpetuity by the late Zemindar and which had been newly traced and brought to account in July 1263 being Restored to them free of assessment under a letter from the Board of Revenue dated 27th July 1855-

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18 The Cultivation of the Fusly having declined the amount of Hooloo Imam fixed on manoel Remissions is also less-

19 The deminution under the head of Betel is owing to the land on which it was Cultivated and which was highly taxed for that species of produce having Reverted to Nunjah -

20 The Sugar Cultivation continues the same as last year -

21 The dilapidated State of the tanks which were very much neglected during the life time of the late Zemindar prohibiting Nunjah Cultivation there is an increase under the head of "Nunjah fruit Poonjah"

22 From a similar cause the item "Totum or Garden" Cultivation exhibits a decrease many of the wells being so choked up with mud and rubbish

Publish that they cannot Retain a suf:
-ficient supply of mater-

23 Though the Cultivation was Commenced in proper season last Fasly the subsequent falls of Rain were so scanty that much of it withered, and large Remissions were necessarily made on that account This year the supply of Rain was ample and the Remissions therefore are not nearly so great-

24 The late Zemindar it appears was very favorable in his treatment of Poonjah Converted into Nunjah, and fixed on it a much lower Rate of tax than was imposed on Fyoul Nunjah. Proof of the fact was wanting in fusly 1263 and a uniform Rate was Collected on all Nunjah lands This year the Ryots produced their old Puttahs on which the amount of the

tax they had been in the habit of paying was fully shown - The demand against them was therefore reduced and a diminution of the Collections under the head of Nunjah is accordingly observable-

25 There is also a decrease under the head of Cowle. Many of those granted by the former Zemindars expiring last year the lands Comprized in them were brought under annany or Government management and in most instances thrown up by the Ryots The Remainder will shortly fall in and the deficit be larger probably than it now is but by degrees it is hoped they will once more be brought under Cultivation and the full Teerwa Collected from them-

26 A Statement of the Cotton Cultivation for the Current fusly is annexed - It exceeds that of former years by 171 Candies-

Particulars

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No VIII

Fusly 1263 Fusly 1261 Comparison

Increase Decrease

Particulars	Assessments	Land Assd	Land Assd	Land Assd	Land Assd
		Fusly 1263	Fusly 1262	Increase	Decrease
		2	3	4	5
Cayaroo Dy	Ryots	1580 8¾	Do added as Do		
Belgaub	Mannies	171 6½	231 13 5		59 6 1
	Total	1751 15	2 4 6 1	123 6 9 6	59 6 1
Bettamada	Ryots	45 10	25 1 11 15 5	10½ 12 2	
Ty Poottah	Mannies		do do do do	do do do	
	Total	45 10	25 1 11 15 5	10½ 12 2	
Total	Ryots	1626 2¼	5 4 8 1 1 4 9 2	7¼ 7 1 1 8	
	Mannies	171 6½	231 13 5	171 6½	231 13 5
	Total	1797 8¾	1 2 1 8 1 5 6 3 0	13¾ 5 5 1 7 1	5 1 3 1 6 11

Particulars

Total — 2

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27 The measurements of the Fysul lands have considerably increased owing to the various holders having at different times brought the adjoining waste under cultivation - The additions had been hitherto enjoyed on favorable Cowle but when the Estate came under Amany management this practice ceased, and as they were not entitled to Hooloos Manf. a privilege possessed by the Fysul lands alone, full teerwah was levied last Fusly: but this being found too heavy the Hoolods manf was grassted for them this year. —

28 The decrease on the item "Red soil" has been explained in para 15. —

29 The Bidders for the Tope contracts have been more numerous than usual, and the Collections exceed those of former fusles, as will be seen by the accompanying statement. —

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No VIII

Fasly 1264

Items	Fasly 1263	Total Produce of Lands Assessed & Unassessed Trees cowl waste and to bearing Trees cowl brought to bearing during the account Current Fasly	Total of Lands Assessed & Unassessed Trees cowl waste and to bearing during the Fasly	Remarks Total of Lands Assessed & Unassessed = Acres Cents
	3	4	5	6
	Rs. as ps	Rs. as ps	Rs. as ps	Rs. as ps
Toddy	298 15 3	50 1 8	4 12 1	36 55 1 6
Fish rent	41 12 "	7 12 "	" " "	" " "
Pasture tax	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "
Rents of Hill Villages	232 1 "	" " "	2321 "	" " "
Sawy. Bogum Rent	20 " "	" " "	20 " "	" " "
Rent on land used for }	58 " "	" " "	58 " "	" " "
factories &c. tax }				
Total	1021 12 3	57 6 7	1.34 2 10	12 2 9 4

Items	Total Produce of Lands Assessed & Unassessed Trees cowl waste and to bearing Trees cowl brought to bearing during the account Current Fasly	Remarks Total of Lands Assessed & Unassessed = Acres Cents
	7	8
	Rs. as ps	Rs. as ps
Toddy	244 9 4	244 9 4
Fish rent	" " "	" " "
Pasture tax	" " "	" " "
Rents of Hill Villages	" " "	" " "
Sawy. Bogum Rent	" " "	" " "
Rent on land used for }	" " "	" " "
factories &c. tax }		
Total	244 9 4	244 9 4

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30 Single Trees escaped taxe last year from the circumstances of the lands on which they stand being cultivated, but this fusly many of these lands are left waste, and the usual collections on have been made therefore on the trees Again, last year many trees on ex uncultivated lands had not come into bearing - This year having reached their growth the taxe on them has been collected -

31 Punny lands of the Minor Zemindar situated in the Govern = ment village, and which his uncle rented out on sawny bogum, are ex still held on the same tenure and pay 20 Rupees per annum -

32 The competition for Fish contracts has not been so brisk as ex that for the Topes - so much rain fell that these contracts were not made

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The subjoined is a Statement shewing the settlement of Fusly 1264

No. IX

Fusly 1264

Particulars.	Land	Land Revenue Assessment	Deduct Hoolors Inam	Remainder.	Ready money Collections	Total Settlement	Fusly 1263	Increase	Decrease
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Cawds cs	Rs. a P	Rs. a P	Rs. a P	Rs. a P	Rs. a P	Rs. a P	Rs. a P	Rs. a P
Putcut holding of Ryots	6.869 6	19770 1 u	4.416 8 11	15,353 8 1	1,145 3 3	16,498 11 4	17657 15 7	u u	1159 4 3
Permanent Cowle	3.353 u	1.524 10 2 u	u u	1.524 10 2	u u	1.524 10 2	1.524 10 2	u u	u u
Total	10222 6	21.294 11 2	4.416 8 11	16,878 2 3	1.145 3 3	18.023 5 6	19.182 9 9	u u	1.159 4 3
Paligars Punnai	1.032 3½	4.477 14 u	1.775 1 -	2.702 13 u	466 3	2749 3 3	2.540 3 2	209 u 1	u u
Total	11.254 9½	25,772 9 2	6.191 9 11	19.580 15 3	1191 9 6	20,772 8 9	2.722 12 11	209 u 1	1.159 4 3
Rettiambady Mootah	u u	u u	u u	u u	u u	u u	17.587 10 u	17.587 10 u	u u
Grand Total	u u	u u	u u	u u	u u	u u	38,310 2 9	89,260 6 11	209 u 1	1,159 4 3

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No X

Fasly	Particulars	No of Villages	No of Puttahs	Land Revenue Land	Assessment	Deduct Remission Darbars	Remissions Cowle	Total Remissions	Net Teerwah payable	Centage of Columns 6 & 8	Centage of Columns 6 & 8
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
				Cawt A	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p
as per Patchah of the late Zemindar.	Putcut holding of Ryots	2	434	3072 15½	10,668 6 4	1756 9 5	1.662 14 4	3.419 7 9	7248 14 3	15 9 5	" " "
	Permanent Cowle tenure	"	3	3.353 "	1.524 10 2	" " "	" " "	" " "	1.524 10 2	" " "	" " "
1263	Total	2	437	6.425 15½	12.193 " 2	1.756 9 5	1.664 14 4	3.419 7 9	8.773 8 5	" " "	" " "
	Settlement amount under Management	6	747	5.281 2¾	14.970 13 "	2.013 7 "	1.034 13 9	3.048 4 9	11.922 8 8	6 14 7	" " "
	Total including Settlement	"	1.184	11.707 2¼	27,163 13 2	3.770 " 5	2.697 12 1	6.467 12 6	20.696 " 8	9 14 11.	23 13 "
	Putcut holding of Ryots	2	421	2,806 12	10.148 4 4	1.612 " 2	1.483 12 2	3.095 12 4	7.047 8 "	14 10 1	" " "
	Permanent Cowle tenure	"	3	3.358 "	1.524 10 2	" " "	" " "	" " "	1.524 10 2	" " "	" " "
1264	Total	2	424	6.159 12	11.667 14 6	1.612 " 2	1.483 12 2	3.095 12 4	8.572 2 2	" " "	" " "
	Settlement amount under management	6	749	5.094 13½	14.104 10 8	1.915 " 7	1.180 13 "	3.095 13 7	11.008 13 1	8 5 11	" " "
	Total including Settlement	"	1.173	11.254 9½	25.772 9 2	3.527 " 9	2.664 9 2	6.191 9 11	19.580 15 3	10 5 5	24 " 4

By the annexed statement it will be seen that the Land Revenue payable by the Putcutdars under the Pattahs granted by the Collector and the Permanent Cowle tenure under the Pattah granted by the Commissioner of the Estate will be reduced by the sum of Rs 2.664 9 2 and that the Darbar Remissions amount to Rs 3.527 " 9 and the Cowle Remissions to Rs 2.664 9 2 making a total Remission of Rs 6.191 9 11 leaving a net Teerwah payable to the Sircar of Rs 19.580 15 3 which is 10 5 5 per cent on Columns 6 & 8 and 24 " 4 per cent on the Jamabundy.

To the Secretary

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No. X

Fasly	Particulars	No. of Villages	No. of Puttahs	Land Revenue Land	Assessment — Rs.	Deduct Remission Dowlas moaf — Rs.	Deduct Remission Teerwah Commi Cowle moaf &c — Rs.	Deduct Remission Total Remission — Rs.	Net Teerwah receivable 6 + 8 — Rs.	Centage of Columns 6 + 8 — Co: lumns	Centage of Columns 6 + 8 — Rs.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	as per Patchah of the late Zemindar. — Putcut holding of Ryots	2	434	3072 15½	10.668 6 u	1756 9 5	1.662 14 4	3.419 7 9	7.248 14 3	15 9 5	u u u
	Permanent Cowle tenure	u	3	3.353 u	1.524 10 2	u u u	u u u	u u u	1.524 10 2	u u u	u u u
1263	Total	2	437	6.425 15½	12.193 u 2	1.756 9 5	1.664 14 4	3.419 7 9	8.773 8 5	u u u	u u u
	Settlement amount under Management	6	747	5.281 2¾	14.970 13 u	2.013 7 u	1.034 13 9	3.048 4 9	11.922 8 3	6 14 7	u u u
	Total including Settlement	u	1.184	11.707 2¼	27.163 13 2	3.770 u 5	2.697 12 1	6.467 12 6	20.696 u 8	9 14 11.	23 13 u
	Putcut holding of Ryots	2	421	2.806 12	10.143 4 4	1.612 u 2	1.483 12 2	3.095 12 4	7.047 8 u	14 10 1	u u u
	Permanent Cowle tenure	u	3	3.353 u	1.524 10 2	u u u	u u u	u u u	1.524 10 2	u u u	u u u
1264	Total	2	424	6.159 12	11.667 14 6	1.612 u 2	1.483 12 2	3.095 12 4	8.572 2 2	u u u	u u u
	Settlement amount under management	6	749	5.094 13½	14.104 10 8	1.915 u 7	1.180 13 u	3.095 13 7	11.008 13 1	8 5 11	u u u
	Total including Settlement	u	1.173	11.254 9½	25.772 9 2	3.527 u 9	2.664 9 2	6.191 9 11	19.580 15 3	10 5 5	24 u 4

38 The outstanding Balance is exhibited in the subjoined Statement is large. It is hoped the greater portion of it will be eventually collected, but the operation will necessarily occupy some time.—

No. XI

Particulars	Demand of Fusly 1264	Collection up to June	Balance	Deduct charges by Renters as per sanction of Board of Revenue 2d Novr. 1854	Balance up to the end of the Fusly.—
1.	2	3	4	5	6
	Rs. a P	Rs. a P	Rs. a P	Rs. a P	Rs. a P
Aygoody Zemindary —	20.772 8 9	16.728 11 3	4.043 13 6	" " "	4.043 13 6
Renter of Pettiambady —	7.834 12 1	7.636 8 6	198 3 7	198 3 7	" " "
D°. of Ammaputty —	7.221 " 10	7.030 2 8	190 14 7	190 14 7	" " "
D°. of Chittarcoalum —	678 12 7	678 12 7	" " "	" " "	" " "
D°. of Ereyamunglem —	1.803 " 6	1.746 8 11	56 11 7	" " "	56 11 7
Total —	17.537 10 "	17.092 " 3	445 9 9	389 2 2	56 11 7
Grand Total	38.310 2 9	38.820 11 6	4.489 7 3	389 2 2	4.100 5 1

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39 A similar statement for 1263 appended, exhibiting sums remitted and the causes of Remissions, shows with dis = advantage against those of former years, and it is feared much of it cannot be collected the Ryots for the most part not being men of substance and having nothing but their ploughs and cattle to depend upon.—

No. XII

Aygoody Zemindary

Particulars	Fuslies	Arrears upto the end of Fusly 1263	Collection upto end June of 1864	Balance
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs. a P	Rs. a P	Rs. a P
Arrears during the Management of Obalacondama Naik —	1256	31 2 "	" " "	31 2 "
	1258	58 2 "	" " "	58 2 "
	1259	64 9 9	" " "	64 9 9
	1260	1 1 8	" " "	1 8 8
	1261	125 12 8	4 6 3	121 6 5
	1262	448 15 8	16 5 11	432 9 9
		729 11 9	20 12 2	708 15 7
Balance under management of the Court of Wards —	1263	3736 6 10	1.955 2 6	1.781 4 4
Grand Total		4.466 2 7	1.975 14 8	2.490 3 11

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A Statement shewing the Balances of Fusly 1263 c

Names	Balance of Fusly 1263 in arrears up to June of Fusly 1264	Items for Shavy remission	Items for Reduction of the full tirwah on the increased measurement of Tyout lands	Poonjah converted into Nunjah	Poorumbake converted into Nunjah	Total	Remission on lands lying waste at the close of Fusly 1266	Remission brought to account	Total Remissions	Remain to be realized
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	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
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Chockalinga Manigar	13 12 3	" " "	13 3	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	10 3	13 2 "
Hankristnama Naick	25 10 1	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	13 5 8	12 4 5	" " "
Eeravatter Andy	31 11 6	12 2 5	" 15 "	" " "	2 10 3	2 10 3	" " "	15 11 8	15 15 10	" " "
Cartoa Romaroo	10 14 2	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	5 6 7	7 4 9	3 9 5
Mootoovaloo Poland avalan	11 1 8	" " "	3 14 7	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	3 14 7	7 3 1
Madhar Mavootan	9 7 6	" " "	2 7 7	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	2 7 7	6 15 11
Ibraim Rowten	11 " 3	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	11 " 3	" " "
Tallancoolum Pernal	27 3 2	" " "	" " "	" " "	2 13 8	2 13 8	" " "	" " "	2 13 8	24 5 6
Cawder Pacha	13 3 10	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	13 3 10	13 3 10	" " "
	12 8 3	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	12 8 3	" " "
	183 14 8	18 2 11	7 15 5							
	29 1 9	2 10 3	31 12 "	25 12 4	13 11 7	97 6 "	86 8 8			

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No XIII

remitted to certain Ryots of Ayagoody Polaiput —

which remission was granted —

40 The Receipts and Disbursements of the Ayagoody estate are shewn in the following statement —

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No. XIV

Receipts

Items	Fusly 1264 Collections from the commencement of the fusly upto December as mentioned in last Report	Fusly 1265 Collections from January to June inclusive	Total
	Rs. a p	Rs. a p	Rs. a p
Collection of land Revenue	2.918 2 7	32.878 7 7	35.796 10 2
Do Fines	1 14 "	2 8 "	4 6 "
Deposit money of Tofrad ayem Fish &c.	16 6 8	" " "	16 6 8
Sale of gold coins and Bullion	43.434 5 6	" " "	43.434 5 6
Interst on Do	10 " "	" " "	10 " "
Current coins in the Minors Treasury	11 " "	" " "	11 " "
Net amount after deducting the pay of Sibbendies employed to prepare the Fysul statwar account	4.891 12 9	17 15 6	17 15 6
Total	46.891 12 9	32.898 15 1	79.290 11 10
Balance in the Treasury at the close of last year	" " "	" " "	5.574 5 7
Grand Total	" " "	" " "	48.865 1 5
Peishcush	1.795 8 "	26.968 5 5	28.763 13 5

Charges of the Minor

Bandy hire for remitting the Collection	" " "	1 " "	1 " "
Pay of Sibbendiers and saderwarred	774 " "	828 7 11	1602 7 11
Maramut charges for repairing tanks &c.	371 11 9	593 " "	964 11 9
Amount of over Collection in Fusly 1263 returned to Ryots	" " "	109 12 8	109 12 8
Subsistence &c. of the Minor and his family	795 " "	937 14 8	1.732 14 8
Pay of English Teacher	125 " "	150 " "	275 " "
Table, chairs &c. furniture for the Minor	" " "	20 " "	20 " "
Minors' private expenses	" " "	25 " "	25 " "
Religious ceremonies in memory of the deceased Zimindar	" " "	35 " "	35 " "
Total	920 " "	1.167 14 8	2.087 14 8

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Order thereon.

Ordered to lie over.
3d. 63.

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To

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

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58.

Bd. No. 724
From the Collector
of Timevelly ... }

Sir.

I have the honor to forward an original letter from my Head Assistant Mr. Swinton requesting two months leave of absence preparatory to his applying to be allowed to return to Europe on furlough —

2. In event of Mr. Swinton's request being granted. I trust another Gentleman may be deputed to supply his place — before Mr. Swinton leaves the District as there is no second assistant attached to my Cutcherry. —

Timevelly ... }
25th February 1856 } /Signed/ J. Silver
Collector

No

To J. Silver Esqre
Collector and Magistrate of
Timevelly.

Sir. I have the honor to request you

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Fasly 1264
Collections from Collectors

Statement of March 1856

	Rs.	a	p	Rs.	a	p	Rs.	a	p
Marriage sicknesses for the Province sister Vallaiyan									
Cooly charges allowed to Collectors Pucka Cutcherry	1.000	"	"	965	10	2	1.965	10	2
Pettambady as per sanction of the Board of Revenue	328	9	7	"	"	"	328	9	7
Paid in liquidating the debt of the late Zemindar	45.961	4	4	"	"	"	45.961	4	4
Fine for changing the Jewel box of the Zemindar from	"	"	"	3	8	"	3	8	"
Ryotwary to the Pooyam treasury									
Paid to Subbiah as Colay as ordered by the	"	"	"	283	8	"	283	8	"
Board of Revenue for his services to the late Zemindar									
Deposit money of Cost of Suit brought to Sayanoor	"	"	"	184	4	2	134	4	2
Total	54.153	1	8	51.055	7	"	82.212	8	8
Disbursements	"	"	"	"	"	"	2.052	8	9

Balance in the Treasury

Collector

Disbursements

Paid Subbiah Colay as ordered by the Board of Revenue for his services to the late Zemindar

Deposit money of Cost of Suit brought to Sayanoor

Paid in liquidating the debt of the late Zemindar

Pettambady as per sanction of the Board of Revenue

Cooly charges allowed to Collectors Pucka Cutcherry

Marriage sicknesses for the Province sister Vallaiyan

Fine for changing the Jewel box of the Zemindar from Ryotwary to the Pooyam treasury

Paid to the Collector of Timevelly

Balance in the Treasury

Collector

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Balance in the Treasury

Collector

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you to forward to Government this my application for two months leave of absence upon private affairs, the first month under Section XII and the second month under Section XIV of the absentee rules previous to applying for leave to proceed to England on furlough for one year embarking from Madras after the accomplishment of my seven years service which will be on the 8th June next I beg that it may be taken into Consideration that during four and a half years Continuous Service in this district, I have been absent upon leave for one month and fifteen days only.—

Tutacoreen
February 23d 1856 } /Signed/ R. B. Swinton
Head Assistant Collector

Recommended for Compliance

Timevelly
25th February 1856 } /Signed/ J. Silver
Collector

Order

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Bd's No 669.
Order thereon.
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Ordered that the foregoing letter and its enclosure be submitted through the civil auditor for the favorable Consideration of Government.—

To G. S. Forbes Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

60.

Bd's No 675
From the Reporter
External Commerce
Madras

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter forwarding a Statement from Mr. Coombes and requesting me to enter into an explanation of the "grievous errors" which "from your Memo "dismissing Mr Coombes he is stated to have "Committed since his appointment to the post "he lately filled"

2. Mr Coombes held an Office in an Establishment temporarily Sanctioned by Government in the Office of Reporter of External Commerce.—

3. your letter is addressed to the Collector of

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of Sea Customs I apprehend by mistake, as the Department of External Commerce is under the Control of Government, and it is not within my knowledge that it has been placed under the jurisdiction of the Board of Revenue.—

Reporter of External Commerce Office
Madras
26th February 1856

/ signed / W. E. Underwood
Reporter of External Commerce

Ordered that the following letter be sent:—

(60-61.)

Bd. No. 659
To the Secretary to Government

To
The Secretary to
Government
Revenue Department

Sir

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to solicit the order of Government on the following point:—

2. The Collector of Sea Customs has under the provisions of Act XXIX of 1855 been placed like all other Collectors under the Control of the Board of Revenue but the question has been raised as to whether he

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is subject to their control as regards the establishment placed under him in his capacity of Reporter of External Commerce.—

3. The circumstance that gave rise to the question is the following.—

4. Mr Lecombes the manager of the Office of Reporter of External Commerce petitioned the Board against his summary dismissal by Mr Underwood This Petition was forwarded in the usual course for the report of the Collector who has replied to the reference in the following terms.—

/ From Sea Customs 26th Feby Submits 3d March 1856 /

"Your letter is addressed to the Collector of Sea Customs I apprehend by mistake as the Department of External Commerce is under the Control of Government and it is not within my knowledge that it has been placed under the jurisdiction of the Board of Revenue".—

5. The Board therefore desire me to solicit the orders of Government on the subject for their guidance in disposing of Mr Lecombes' Petition

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Petition.—

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
3d March 1856. } /signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary

To.
G. S. Forbes Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

(62.)

Bd. No 698.
From J. B Norton Esqre } Sir,
Government Pleader } I have the honor to return the papers forwarded to me the day before yesterday. The draft answer appears to me Sufficient. I know of no such law as that stated in the 5th Para which I think properly Struck out.

Madras . . .
29th February 1856 } /Signed/ J. B. Norton
Government Pleader

Bd. No. 657
Proceedings thereon. Resolved that the foregoing letter be Submitted for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation
(62-63)
Indoos 27th
Feby 1856. dated 25th February 1856.

Resolved

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Resolved that the following letter be despatched.—

(64)

Bd. No 667
To the Collector of
Rajahmundry. . } Sir

To
The Collector of
Rajahmundry

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that you will expedite the transmission of the Statement of actual charges incurred under Estimate in the Revenue Department of your District for Fusly 1265. The other Statement have been duly received.—

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
3d March 1856. } /Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary

Received the undermentioned.—

(65.) Miscellaneous letters and Statements.—

My. No 367
From the Collector of South Arcot.— List of the accounts sent to the Board of Revenue for Fusly 1265.—

(66.)
My. No 366
From the Collector of Madura.— Return of fines imposed and Stoppages made from the pay of

of the Public Servants for the Quarter ending

67 31st December 1855.—

Mly. N°365
From the Collector of Madura.— Return of Public
Servants Suspended or dismissed from Employ-
ment during the 4th Quarter ending 31st

68 December 1855.—

Mly N°368
From the Collector of Masulipatam.— account Current

69 of Satt for January 1856.—

Mly N°369
From the Collector of South Arcot.— account Current

70 of Satt for January 1856.—

Mly N°364.
From the Collector of Salem.— Rain Report for

71 January 1856.—

Mly N°363
From the Collector of Salem.— Acknowledging the
receipt of certain printed forms of State-

72 ments.—

Mly N°360
From the Collector of Tinnevelly— Register of Petitions
referred by the Board for disposal for January 1856.—

Mly N°361
From the Collector of Coimbatore.— Register of Petitions

73 referred by the Board for disposal for

74 January 1856.—

Mly N°356
From the Collector of Salem. Reporting that no
Persons were charged under Regulation

75 IX of 1822 for January 1856.—

Mly N°362
From the Collector of Salem. Return of Persons Con-
-fined under Regulation IX of 1822 for

January 1856.—

76

Mly N°358.
From the Collector of Salem. Return of Village Officers Sus-
-pended or dismissed under Regulation VI of 1831 for Janu-
-ary 1856.

77.

Mly N°339
From the Collector of Coimbatore.— Return of Village Offi-
-cers Suspended or dismissed under Regulation

78 VI of 1831 for January 1856.—

Mly N°357
From the Collector of Coimbatore. Reports the absence
of certain returns from January 1856.—

From

My No 355
From the Collector of Masulipatam. Average

79

Bazar Prices of Grain for January

1856.—

80.

My No 353
From the Collector of Nellore. Statement

shewing the quantity of Salt in Store

available for exportation to Chittagong

and Calcutta on the 5th February 1856.—

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My No 352
From the Collector of Tanjore. Statement shewing

the quantity of Salt in Store available

for exportation to Calcutta from 1st to

15th February 1856.—

No. 51.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Tuesday the 4th March 1856.

Read the following Papers.

82

A. after Bd's No. 498
From the Sec. to Govt.

No. 154.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 11th February 1856.

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Forwarding Copy of an official Memorandum from the Civil Auditor relative to Mr. Harington and stating that no information can be traced on the Board's records regarding the Employment of that individual.

(Here enter 30th January 1856. No. 291)

In Para 5 of their Proceedings of the 24th December 1855 No. 3466 the Board referred to Mr. Harington appointment in connected with the Annamalay forests and of the Salary attached

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attached to it as facts apparently within their Knowledge but it now appears that they have no information on the subject though they made a recommendation to Government upon it. It is now requested that they will ascertain from the Collector the particulars of Mr. Harington's appointment and the cessation of it and report them to Government without delay.

To The President & Members of the Board of Revenue.

(A true Extract)
(Signed) J. D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government

(82-83)

Ordered that the following Official Memorandum be sent.-

B. of R. No. 680
To The Collector of Coimbatore.

Official Memorandum

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue requests that the Collector of Coimbatore will be good as to inform him of the particulars of Mr. Harington's appointment and its cessation Mr. Harington's appointment is referred to in Captain Hamilton's letter of 27th October 1855, which accompanied the Collector's letter of the 24th November 1855.-1

Revenue Board Office.
Fort St. George 24th December 1855.

(Signed) J. S. Forbes.
Secretary.

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B. of R. No. 554
From the Secretary to Government.

(84)

No. 177.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 15th February 1856.-

Read the following letter from the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue.-

(Here enter 17th January 1856 No. 140)

In accordance with the order of Government in Extract Minutes of Consultation 17th September 1855 No. 1027. the Board of Revenue submit a Tabular Statement of the Establishment proposed to be Employed on the upper and lower ranges of the Pulney Hills in the Madura District.-

2. The necessity of an increase was first represented to Government by the Board on the 22d May 1854; and the existing Establishment and the proposed addition were then shewn as follows.-

Existing

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Existing Establishment.

	Rs.	as.
3 Curnums at 7	35	-
11 Natamgarsand Tundals	44	- 6
	79	- 6
	12	
	952	- 8 -

Proposed Addition

3. Curnums at 7	21	-
2. Peishcars at 35	70	-
	91	-
	12	
	1,092	-
	2,044	- 8 -

3. The present scale has been modified with reference to the orders of Government and to circumstances subsequently brought to notice; but there are apparent discrepancies in the Tabular Statement now submitted which require to be explained. The necessity of the Royasom and the Peons was represented by Mr. Clarke, the late Sub Collector of Madura in his letter† dated 13th April 1855 para 20. and the

addition

† Boards Proceedings 11th June 1855 No. 1493.

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addition of the fourth Curnum is now explained by the Board But the discripancies to which the Government refer are; first, that in the Tabular Statement, the existing Establishment is shewn as consisting of only three Curnums at a monthly expense of Rupees 35 whereas it was formerly stated that there were also eleven Natamgar sand Tundals costing Rupees 44 - 6 - and making the total charge Rupees 79 - 6 - and Secondly that the Board now state the proposed increase amounts to only Rupees 68, whereas the real sum appears to be Rupees 103. —

4. It is stated by the Collector that an additional Curnum is required by reason of two Villages having been transferred from Coimbatore to Madura by the Settlement of a boundary dispute. Before sanctioning this addition the Government would wish to be informed by whom the duty of Curnum was performed in these two Villages while they belonged to Coimbatore

and

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and why the same person cannot do the same duty now, Perhaps he has other Villages in the Coimbatore District, but it is not uncommon for a Curnam to perform the duties of Villages in different Districts.

5. The Government have further to point out that in the Column headed "proposed scale" only the proposed increase of Establishment is exhibited, so that this column and the increase Column shew exactly the same figures. With these remarks the Government resolve to return the Statement to the Board for revision and explanation.--

To The President & Members of the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract)
(Signed) F. D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government

(84-85)
B. No. 696.
Resolution thereon.-

A copy of the foregoing Extract Minutes of Consultation with the Board's letter to which it is a reply to be communicated

Collector

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Collector of Madura who will be pleased to furnished the explanation required by Government in Para 4.

(86)
B. No. 688.
From the Secretary to Government

No. 226.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date 27th February 1856.

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.-

Forwarding a letter from the Collector of Chingleput reporting on certain Petitions from one Nandoo Kistnaiyar of Conjeveram, and stating that there is no objection to the Petitioner being allowed to try his claims in a Civil Court. (Here enter 21st February 1856 No. 477)

Ordered that the following Endorsement be made on Petitions Nos. 2567, 2645, 2839, 2346 and 2592 of 1855 and communicated to the Petitioner,

Under the circumstances detailed by the Collector and on the opinions of the Board of Revenue the

the Right Honorable the Governor in Council permits Petitioner Kistnaiengar under clause 1 Section 11 Regulation IV of 1831 to Sue in the Courts of Adalut for the recovery of certain Enam lands situate in the Village of Conjeveram and Tiroopagoody of the Chingleput District from parties whom he represents to be in unlawful possession."-

To The President & Members of the Board of Revenue

(A true Extract)
(Signed) J. D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government

(86-87)

B. No. 698

Order thereon - Ordered to be communicated through the Collector of Chingleput.

No. 235.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 28th February 1856.

(88)

B. No. 703.

From the Secretary to Government -

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue. -

Submitting with the Boards remarks thereon (Here Enter 27th February 1856 No. 395) a letter from the Collector of Madras adducing the practice of Bombay in support of the opinion he has already expressed in favor of the proposed draft of a bill in Amendment of Act XII of 1851.

The Board submit a

letter from the Collector of Madras pointing out that the Island of Bombay land is saleable for arrears and urging that the same power should be given in the Collectorate of Madras, The Right Honorable the Governor in Council resolves to forward a copy of their Proceedings as well as of the Collectors letter to the Madras Member of the Legislative Council, in continuation of the letter of this Government dated the 27th Instant forwarding the Boards previous letter on the same subject. -

To The President and Members of the Board of Revenue. -

(A true Extract)
(Signed) J. D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government.

B. No. 689

Order thereon. Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Madras for information. -

(88-89.)

Extract

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Bd. No. 705.

From the Sect. to Government. (90)

No. 229.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 28th February 1856.-

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.-

Here Enter 13th February 1856 No. 428.

Ordered that the following Endorsement be made on Petitions No. 765 and 1415 of 1855. and communicated to the Petitioner Kistnien.-

"Under the Provisions of Clause 1 Section 11 Regulation III of 1831, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council permits Petitioner Kistnien to Sue Sashagherry Row in the Courts of Adawlut for the recovery of the share of the Agraharam Village of Poolor in the Salem district represented to have been mortgaged to him but not placed in his possession."-

To The President & Members of the Board of Revenue

(A true Extract)
(Signed) J. D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Govt.

3753 Fort St. George 4th March 1856.-

Bd. No. 686.

Order thereon. (90-91)

Ordered to be communicated to the Petitioner through the Collector of Salem.-

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(92)

Bd. No. 712.

From the Sect. to Government

No. 232

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 28th February 1856.

Read the following letter from the Chief Engineer Department Public Works.-

Recommending that the ground in Purswa-=kum purchased by Govern-=ment for a Cemetry may be exempted from Quit rent due for Fuslies 1262 1263. and 1264 amounting to Rupees 31 - 14 - 3.

(Here Enter 16th February 1856 No. 1046)

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council sanctions the remission of the arrears of Quit Rent due for Fuslies 1262, 1263 and 1264 amounting to Rupees thirty one annas Fourteen

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Fourteen, and Pice three, on the ground at Pursewakum referred to in this letter and occupied as a Cemetery for the interment of the dead of all denominations of Protestants not Members of the church of England, and directs that the ground in question be exempted from demand of Quit Rent for the future.-

To The President & Members of the Board of Revenue.

(A true Extract)
(Signed) J. D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government

B. of R. 685.
92-93
Order thereon.-

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Madras for information and guidance.-

94

B. of R. 749.
From the Chief Sec. to Govt.-

No. 249.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Public Department dated 3d March 1856.

Read the following letter from the Board of Revenue.

(Here Enter 26th February 1856.)

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council is of opinion that Salt Petre may be shipped at

any

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any Port of this Presidency for Madras or any other of the ports of the Presidency provided that there be no reason to doubt that it will be conveyed to its alleged port of destination. The precaution prescribed by the Government of India + should be observed and the Collector of Sea Customs at the port of departure give immediate information by post to the Collector at the port of consignment stating the quantity and other particulars of the Salt petre shipped. The latter officer should also give immediate advice to the former either of the Vessels arrival and of the Quantity of Salt petre on board her - or of her failure to arrive within the usual time.-

+ Letter 25th Jan. 1856 para 2.-

To The President & Members of the Board of Revenue.-

(A true Extract)
(Signed) T. Pycroft
Chief Secretary to Government

94-95
B. of R. 684
Order thereon-

Communicated to the Collector of Nellore for information and guidance with reference to his letter dated 15th February 1856. The instructions of the Government of India were

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were circulated from this office with Circular order dated 8th February 1856.

2 A copy will also be furnished direct for the information of Messrs. Ouchterlony & Co. with reference to their letter to the Collector of Nellore dated 13th February 1856.

From Nellore 15th in Cons. 26th Feb. 1856

3. A copy will likewise be circulated to all Collectors of Sea Customs in reference to the Board's Circular order of 8th February 1856.

Read again Return from the Collector of Tinnevelly dated 30th October 1855 entered in Miscellaneous Consultation 7th November 1855, of fines imposed and stoppages made from the pay of Public Servants for the quarter Ending 30th September 1855.

96

B. No. 688

Proceedings thereon.- Case No. 1 is apparently out of place in this return, as the Board of Revenue have no control over officers in the Post office Department.-

Read

3757

Fort St. George 4th March 1856.-

Read the following Papers.

No. 178.

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre.

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George.

97.

B. No. 3514

From the Collector of Tanjore 8.

Para 1.

Sir,

I have had the honor to receive an Extract from the Board's proceedings dated the 1st Ultimo No. 2546.

2. From the information which I have received I am not of opinion that the Salt Manufacturers in Tanjore have made by any means a large profit from their pans, and from accounts which I have prepared I believe that six per Cent on the Capital

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Capital invested is the most that is made even in a year when the Manufacture is large, and it must be remembered that some pans are occasionally shut up for an entire season.-

3. I do not therefore think that it will be fair to put on the Meercals the loss of the 24 Meercals which will result in adopting the Board's plan of taking 424 Meercals as equivalent to one garce and I am of opinion that an equivalent at present rates should be given, and that 9-7 as Pion should be added to the ten Rs. hitherto paid for a Garce.-

true equivalent 9-7½ as on Tanjore - - - - - Vellum - - - - 28th November 1855

(Signed) H. Forbes
Collector.

97-98
Order thereon. Ordered to Licence

To

Fort St. George 4th March 1856.-

No. 3.

To G. S. Forbes Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

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Bd. No. 214.
From the Collector of Malabar. 7 8

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue under date the 14th Ultimo on the subject of restoring to the Proprietors the lands obtained by a Mr. Maconochie as a site for a Saw Mill at Beypoor.

2. By my letter of the 21st November last it will be seen that one of the parties affected by the decision of the Arbitrators in the said case has filed a suit in the Subordinate Court to obtain the recognition and confirmation to him of a Superior Mortgage title to certain portions of the said land, and has included the late Collector as the 1st Defendant in it.-

Under these circumstances it does not appear to me advisable to

to restore the lands in question on the conditions of the Jurors award until a decree is passed on the said Suit and therefore beg to solicit the Board's further instructions on the Subject.-

Calicut.
10th January 1856.
Bd. No. 691.

(Signed) T. Clarke
Collector.

Proceedings thereon- (99-100.)

The Board of Revenue are of opinion that the award of the Jurors should be carried out unless arrested by the Court. The Collector should therefore inform the Plaintiff in Original Suit No. 14 of 1855, that such will be done after a reasonable period to be named by the Collector unless the Court issues an injunction to the contrary and attaches the land.-

C.C.P.

To

No. 12

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

(101)

Bd. No. 315
From the Collector of Cuddapah.

Affording the information required by Bd's Pro of 28th Septr 1855, as to how far the amended Rules sanctioned by Govt. for the levy of Teerwa: yasty and Fusual: yasty in N. Arcot Dts are applic: cable to the circumstances and usages of this District.-

Sir.

Para 1 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the extract from the proceedings of the Board of Revenue under date the 28th September 1855. No. 2518, annexing copy of the amended rules sanctioned by Government in their Extract from the Minutes of Consultation dated 29th March 1855, for the levy of teerwajasty and fasuljasty in the north Arcot District and requiring the several Collectors to state how far these rules are applicable to the circumstances and usages of their respective Districts and to what extent they consider it desirable to adopt them in their present form or in what manner they would modify them in order to suit existing Systems and in reply beg to offer the following observations explanatory of the causes which induce me to arrive at a Conclusion that the rules above referred to are not applicable to Cuddapah.-

2. The usage in this District in respect to the levying-

levying of teervajasty is that in the event of dry land being converted into wet by means of Circar water and if garden Wet or Poonasa Crops be raised on it or if wet Cultivation be carried on in Garden and Poonasa lands by means of irrigation from tanks and Channels Exctra assessment is levied upon such lands and the data upon which teervajasty is fixed is with reference to the rates of assessment fixed on old Garden and wet lands in each Village as also to the different descriptions of Soil.—

3. If dry Garden and Poonasa lands classified as Ekfassul be cultivated with two crops which are liable to teervajasty by means of irrigation from tanks and channels or if Ekfassul Bagayet wet and Poonassa lands dependent on the above works of irrigation be raised with two crops or if Ekfassul wet land dependent on a well as also garden lands be cultivated with the same descriptions of produce but irrigated from tanks and channels for both these crops, half of the full assessment originally fixed on each description of land is levied under

under the denomination of Fassuljasty.—

4 Should garden and wet lands and those liable to Teervajasty dependent on a well be cultivated with two Crops from the same source of irrigation no Fasuljasty is levied but that of its original assessment.—

5. When wet lands dependent on a well and garden land Cultivated with the same species of produce are irrigated from tanks and channels one fourth remission is usually made under the designation of mersaragee tho' the above descriptions of lands are usually subject to one third remission and the same is levied on the other species of lands the assessment of which is lower than 3 Pagodas per acre at 1 Pagoda or Rupees 2. 4. 8 and on those assessed at above 3 Pagodas 1/2 Pagoda or Rupees 1 7 4 the usual remissions being exempted.—

6. Out of the amount of teervajasty and fasuljasty thus levied on lands assessed at below 1 Pagoda the full assessment is Collected free from remission and on those assessed above that rate the remaining amount after deducting 1/3rd and 1/10th remission is realised according to the usage of the District.—

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7. The foregoing rule is enforced in respect to Enam lands in levying teerwajasty & fasul: jasty and neersaragee, but on old garden Tonnas & wet Enam lands classified as Ekfasul and dependent on tanks and channels it is not custo: mary to levy fasuljasty.—

8. The rules referred to in the previous paras have been observed for a considerable time In Fusly 1243 a rule having been laid down that teerwajasty ought not to be less than 3 Pagodas per acre it was carried into effect until Fusly 1261 afterwards in the Succeeding Fusly 1262 upon a Complaint being preferred by one Brumhachary bavah of Panta Cuddapah the Board in their Extract from the proceedings under date the 18th September 1852, directed that instead of a fixed teerwajasty, minimum of 3 Pagodas or the levy of the high rate of assessment in the Village of the same should be below the minimum they think it pre: ferable that each case be decided on its merits leaving that rate to be imposed which on a Cons: ideration of local Circumstances shall be deemed just care being taken that the Estra cess on inferior lands shall not be so low as to hold out an inducement to

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to the ryots to relinquish those more highly assessed Ever since the orders of the Board of Revenue have been Carried into effect without any restriction that the minimum rate ought not to be less than 3 Pagodas per acre.—

9. The rules now inforce in respect to the levying of teerwajasty are not detrimental either to the interests of Government or those of the ryots as would appear from the marginal note which shows the average Collection of teerwajasty during the last 10 years Commencing from Fusly 1255 to 1262 is larger than that of the previous 10 years ie from Fusly 1215 to 1254.—

Extents Cyfasfasuls &c. Of fasul & dead Set amount Remissions

Average of 10 years from Fusly 1246 to 1255	12521	88,396	140893	52,497	13124
Do from Fusly 1235 to 1245	17802	88,396	140893	52,497	13124
Set increase	5281				39373

10. Having stated the practice observed in Collecting teerwajasty &c. in this district I will now proceed to state my objections to the new rules proposed. The rules sanctioned for the guidance of the revenue authorities of north arcot are in my opinion not applicable and injurious to the interests of Government and ought not to be introduced in Cuddapah at least for the present.—

The objections which present themselves are

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are as follows. by bringing these rules into opera-
tion all descriptions of land which may be con-
verted from dry to wet by means of water from
Government Sources will have to pay the same
water tax without reference to the quantity of
the Soil or the nature of the crop. The Board
have laid it down that on the wet crops 33
per cent of the produce is a fair demand
by Government for the occupation of the Soil
This share cannot be realised under the pro-
posed rules as in many cases lands which
will produce 10 Mootahs will have the same
to pay as that which produces one candy or one
and a half In these two cases, the proportion
of tax payable on each Species of land is very
unequal what may be equivalent to 33 per cent
in one case will not be so in the other the land
of inferior quality of productiveness is taxed
in a higher proportion than that which yields
a much larger return, a System which I
cannot suppose the Board will Sanction, and
why Government should resign a portion of their
just dues, which they have declared to be 33 per cent
or wet crops I see no good ground The System
at present in force of taxing the cultivated land
irrigated

irrigated by means of water from Government Sour-
ces in accordance with the productiveness of the
Soil and the assessment on similar land in the
neighbourhood is preferable to making one stand-
ard water rate for all, and when equitably
carried into effect is for the benefit of the
Cultivator as well as Government and to it
no valid objection can be raised.

12. It has been shown in a former para
that this System has not reduced the quantity
of Government lands on which Teerwajasty has
been collected or that any smaller quantity
of land has thus been brought under culti-
vation. On the Contrary on Comparing the
last 10 years with the preceding there is an
increase of Rupees 39,373 and I have no doubt
that the present arrangement now being
Carried out of reducing the assessment upon
lands which have been long waste from
over assessment will greatly increase the
revenue and will bring under tillage a
Considerable quantity of land now waste

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in short all the best lands will be taken up and these will require such a quantity of the water stored in tanks or received by means of irrigating channels from rivers as will prevent any large quantity of dry land being levelled and converted into wet by means of irrigation from the sources supplied by Government unless new channels and tanks are excavated and constructed.

13. A further objection is that should the new rates be introduced the higher assessed lands which have been cultivated from time immemorial. when

when a sufficient supply of water can be obtained will be laid waste to take up lands under the new rules at some distance from the bund of the tank and this may be carried on for some years to compel a reduction of the assessment which may really be moderate to induce the cultivators to bring them again under the plough. The consequence will be a loss of revenue and a loss of water as the quantity of water required for irrigating land in the immediate vicinity of the bund of the tank is less than that required for an equal quantity at a considerable distance from it the land in the neighbourhood receives a considerable portion of moisture from the drainage of the tank while the land at a distance does not and will require to be irrigated by means of channels which absorbs a considerable portion of it and increases the evaporation by spreading it over a larger surface and the ground not receiving moisture from the drainage will require a larger quantity to produce the crop.

14. A third objection is the loss of revenue which deserves consideration particularly at the present time when there is a failing income and a large outlay for public works. If the new rules be introduced the old ones I consider as a matter of course must be abolished and all the lands

Extent of land paying Teerwajasty

	Crops	amount
Acres	Rupees	Rupees
2,232	168888	12,666
Amount claimable at 3½ Rupees per Acre		7,112
		5,539

Loss to Government 5,539 " "

lands on which a higher water rate is charged as Teerwajasty must be reduced to the new standard laid down in the rules proposed to be enforced that is 3½ Rupees per Cawny. The average amount of Teerwajasty is Rupees 6¼ per Acre and taking the whole Amount collected under this head at Rupees 168,888 " " deduct the usual remission Rupees 42222 the loss to Government by the reduction to the new standard it will be Rupees. 55539.-

15. It must at the same time be taken into Consideration that the tanks do not hold more water now than when first Constructed it is to be feared less as the beds are annually becoming higher by the soil being washed down and mingled with the water which fills them this forms a Sediment which gradually fills up the tanks the bunds may be raised and lengthened this is done I conjecture to enable the same quantity of water to be stored in them that they would Contain when first Constructed. The water stored in tanks is becoming insufficient to bring &c. &c. under Cultivation the whole Ayacut under them and it Can hardly be expected that such a larger portion of land will be brought under Cultivation &c

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as will be sufficient to make up the Sacrifice made by Government by the reduction of the Teerwajasty from Rupees 6¼ to 3½ Rs. per Acre. The new rules proposed are suited to North Arcot where the land is measured by Cawnies which is I believe ¾ of an Acre to suit the rules to this district and equalise them to North Arcot a further reduction of 14 Annas must be made which will reduce the water rate to Rs. 2-10-0 and thus Cause a much heavier loss of revenue.-

16. The new rates will not cause uniformity the land is taxed for the Crop produced not the quantity of the Soil which is objectionable and a Constant Supervision will be required to ascertain the nature of the Crop grown. One year Sugar Cane may be produced or betel leaf the water rate is Rupees 7 the 2d year paddy is grown for a first Crop and Ragee for the Second the water rate will be Rs. 3½ for the first and Rs. 1¾ for the second or 5¼ per Annum thus the rate varies with the Crop not by the productiveness of the Soil. In this district where the water stored may be considered insufficient to produce paddy Ragee is grown for the first Crop and indigo leaf for the second which requires seven less water than

than Ragee the rate will be Rs. 3½ per Annum. Now Government say they think £33 per Cent is their due upon the Crops grown on wet land. An Acre of Indigo leaf raised on first class soil will produce to the grower from the different cuttings from 80 to 100 Rs. I can hardly suppose the Government are inclined to reduce the Teerwajasty from Rs 6¼ to 3½ per Acre the cultivator is amply remunerated for his toil and trouble by the profit he derives both from the Ragee and Indigo leaf in inferior soils the profit will be less and the land may yield only 30 Rupees the maximum Assessment of say 7 Rupees is not too much the Cultivator can afford to pay it. The cultivation of indigo leaf requires little trouble either for ploughing or irrigation if the Ryott can produce two thirds of the whole crop he is well paid. In Scotland it was said that one third of the produce ought to go to the Landlord one third for the labour wages &c. and the other third profit to the farmer but in the present case the Ryot receives much more than one third and it is proposed to allow him much more.

Throughout

17. Throughout Cuddapah the revenue on land dependent on irrigation is greater than that on dry land the average leviable assessment on the former is Rupees 7 per Acre taken from the rates given in the Tarwary and for the first class dry land Rs. 4 5¼ and the average rate of assessment on 20,322 acres on which Teerwajasty and Fasuljasty is collected is Rs. 12,666 or Rupees 6¼ per acre showing that the rate of Teerwajasty is nearly on a par with the average rate on wet land as exhibited in the aforementioned Accounts. In some localities the rate of Teerwajasty ranges as high as Rupees 25 while in others as low as annas twelve I would beg to propose that the maximum rate to be levied would be Rupees 7 and the Minimum Rs. 3 per acre and that all lands on which Teerwajasty may be leviable may be included within these two rates which might be imposed According to the quality and productiveness of the Soil this I am of opinion would not be injurious either to the grower or to the interests of Government and at the same time tend to augment the revenue besides lightening the burden on those persons on whom it may press heavily.—

18. It is understood that the Government have in

in Contemplation the Constructing and excavating of new tanks and channels for the purposes of irrigation as Collectors have been called upon to state where such new works with advantage can be Constructed. I have mentioned several to the Civil Engineer and should any of these projects be carried into execution it is hardly to be supposed that Government will be content to receive a water rate in accordance with that laid down in the new rules but should Government be disposed to accept such small interest for the Capital expended I fear they will be losers instead of gainers by Carrying on the work and in fact the return will be so very small that Government will at once reject the work on account of want of remuneration and they will not sanction the outlay unless they receive such remuneration as will indemnify them for the outlay & sid to pay back the capital and Cover the expenses for repairs &c. I shall suppose for example that a new tank is Constructed at a Cost of Rs. 20,000 and that 10 per Cent is required as interest / this is much too low / the interest on Rs. 20000 is Rs. 2000 now taking the water rate at Rs. 3½ per Acre it will require a quantity of land to be brought

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brought under cultivation which must yield an annual revenue of Rs. 2,000 to do so the number of Acres necessary will be in round numbers 572 and it is very doubtful whether this quantity of land can actually be cultivated from the reservoir it must be done annually with one Crop any diminution from scarcity of water will greatly reduce the interest from 10 per cent to something lower from which must be deducted Sums for repairs which will be required from time to time such as breaches in the bund repairing the Sluice &c. If two Crops are Cultivated with paddy Sugar Cane or betel leaf, half the quantity of land will be required. In times of drought this quantity of land will in all probability not be brought under cultivation and the Government interest will be a mere pittance unless Government obtain at least 25 per Cent or as laid down 33 per Cent of the produce Sanction will not be granted for new works as in this must be included repayment of outlay interest and repairs. Of the 572 Acres required to be cultivated a portion of them may fairly be assessed at Rs. 4-12-0 or 9 ans equivalent to 33 per Cent some land may perhaps be higher while some may be lower

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lower Government. I should suppose will not Consent to receive less than what they Consider a fair remuneration for the soil and would at once reject the water rate of Rs 3½ per Acre as proposed by the new rules and order an assessment to be laid on the lands according to their productiveness and quality. Now if the Government would reject the water rate proposed for land irrigated by a new tank & why should one fixed standard be applied to the whole district In my humble opinion it is better to continue the present system where the Seerwajasty is imposed in accordance with the quality of the soil instead of having a fixed water rate for the whole province.

19. In conclusion I beg to state that I may be in error with regard to the anticipated result before advanced, but should the Board of Revenue object to the existing system of levying Seerwajasty and order that the present rate be reduced to a water rate their instructions will meet with immediate attention.

Cuddapah Collector's Office
On Circuit at Budwail
4th February 1856.

(Signed) J. M. Murray.
Collector

Order thereon.

Ordered to lie over.

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No. 10

To

G. S. Forbes Esquire
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George.

(103)

Br. Rr. 596.

From the Acting Collector of Canara

Sir,

With reference to the concluding portion of para 2 Extract Minutes Consultation under date 16th January 1856, which accompanied Extract Proceedings Board of Revenue dated 23rd January last, requiring that the facilities now afforded for bonding Salt in Canara be made known at Bombay and on the Coast, I have the honor to state that at present Salt can only be bonded at two places, Mullapoor, and Rutnagiri respectively on the Sedashigur and Indri river and that the permission Extends to Goa Salt only.

Bombay salt is not used in North Canara, or is it in demand among the traders from above the Ghauts.

In the South however, this salt is preferred to that from Goa, and to our own manufacture also by the inland traders, and I would therefore solicit permission to bond Bombay salt at Bane Mangalore and Cajergode. No buildings suited to the purpose exist at present, which are not already in use, and the importers would have to erect Godowns for themselves.

Collector's Cutcherry,
On Circuit Cundapoor,
8th February 1856.

(Signed) W. Fisher
Acting Collector.

Order thereon.

Ordered to lie over.

(103-104)

No. 24.

To

G. S. Forbes Esquire
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

(105.)

Br. Rr. 533.

From the Collector of Tanjore.

Sir,

As requested in your letter of the 15th Ultimo, I have the honor to submit a fresh Statement shewing the Cost of manufacture per Candy of Salt in lieu of the one forwarded with my letter of the 28th September last.

Tanjore,
Vellum, 9th February 1856.

(Signed) H. Forbes
Collector.

Statement

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No. 1. Statement shewing the Cost incurred in the manufacture Storage of Salt amount of Establishment including Sadervard charges, and the expences of exportation at the different Salt Pans in Tanjore.

	Cost of Manufacture of 100 Maunds of Salt			Places at which Salt is available for Export.	Amount of Coolewarum and Establishment including Sadervard charges on 100 Maunds						Extra Charges and Establishment for	Expence of Exporting 100 Maunds of Salt.												Grand Total
	Manufacture	Storing	Total		Coolewarum			Establishment				Measurement		Conveyance to Custom House		Expence of bringing Salt brought Returns		Boat hire		Total				
	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.	Rs.	A. P.			
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N.B. As the Salt at Vadamiem is spontaneous the Cost of Storing and Collecting is entered as expense of manufacture.

Tanjore
9th Febuary 1826

(Signed) H. Forbes
Collector

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Order thereon.

Ordered to be recorded.

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No. 12.

To

G. S. Forbes Esquire

Acting Secretary

to the Board of Revenue

Fort Saint George

107.

Rd. No. 595.

From the Acting Collector of Canara

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for sanction, an account Particular of Contingent charges incurred in the Forest Department of this District for Fusly 1264 / 1854-55 amounting to Rupees 48—7—2/ forty eight annas seven and pice two.

Collector's Cutcherry, On Circuit Cundapoor, 9th February 1856.

/Signed/ W. Fisher
Acting Collector

Account

3766 Fort Saint George 4th March 1856.

No. 1. Account Particulars of Contingent Charges incurred in the Forest Department in the zillah of Canara for fusly 1264 / 1855.

		R	AP
To	5 Reams and 60 Punchacs of Portuguese Paper at the average rate of 3—13—2½ per Ream of 80 punchacs.	16	3 9
"	2½ Ditto of French Do. at 3 Rupees Do.	7	8 "
"	5 Ditto and 8½ Punchacs of China Do. at 1—5—4 per Do. of 70 Punchacs	10	" 5
"	7 Bundles of Carnada paper at " 9—11/16 per Bundle	4	5 8
"	44½ Seers of Oil at " 1—3/4 per Seer	2	15 3
"	8½ Ditto of Country sealing wax at " 3—8½ per Ditto	1	15 6
"	8½ Bottles of Country Ink at " 2—½ per Bottle	1	1 4
"	3 Pencils at 6 pies each	"	1 6
"	7 Chouks of Gunthee cloth for Dusters @ " 1—7½ per chouk	"	11 4
"	Thread	"	2 9
"	1 Seer Gum.	"	1 "
"	2 Needles	"	" 8
"	3 Mats @ " 1—4 each	"	4 "
"	1 Pair of Penknife and Scissors	1	" "
"	1 Penknife	"	7 "
"	1 Carpet	1	8 "
"	1 Gum Pot	"	1 "
	Total Company's Rupees	48	7 2

Company's Rupees forty eight, annas seven and pice two

Collector's Cutcherry, On Circuit Cundapoor, 9th February 1856.

/Signed/ W. Fisher
Acting Collector

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Bd. No. 687.

Proceedings thereon.

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The Acting Collector is requested to include the charge alluded to in the foregoing in the Statement of actual charges incurred without Estimate for Fusly 1264.

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Bd. No. 497.

No. 895.

From the Asst. to the Chief Engineer D. P. W.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works Fort Saint George under date the 11th February 1856.

Read the following Extract Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

(Here enter 4th February 1856 No. 377)

Resolved that the Secretary to the Board of Revenue be informed that the order of Government referred to in the foregoing Proceedings has been circulated to the Revenue and Engineer Officers with the Chief Engineers Circular of the 19th January 1856 No. 398 a Copy of which is herewith forwarded for the information of the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract)
By Order
(Signed) P. Connell Lieutenant
Assistant to the Chief Engineer
D. P. W.

Enclosure 1

No. 398.

Circular.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works under date the 19th January 1856

Read

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Read the following

No. 67.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Public Works Department under date the 16th January 1856.

Read the following.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works.

Forwarding letter from the Secretary Board of Revenue enquiring whether Channel Moneagars and their establishment may not be placed under the Collector of North Arcot, and requesting orders on the same.

(Here enter dated 11th January 1856 No. 211)

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council fully agrees with the Chief Engineer that when the executive duties are in the hands of the Engineer Department, all Establishments maintained for the conservation of Tanks Channels, or other works of irrigation should be placed under that Department.

(Signed) L. D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government.

To The Chief Engineer D. P. W.

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2. Resolved, that transcript of the foregoing order of Government be forwarded for the information

mation and guidance of all Collectors Civil Engineers and Assistant Engineers in charge of Districts.

/A true Extract/

Central Office of S. W.
Fort Saint George,
Madras 19th January 1856.

/Signed/ C. E. Faber Colonel
Chief Engineer S. W.

Order thereon.
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Ordered to be recorded.
M. 27.
To
G. S. Forbes Esquire
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George.

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B. of R. 549.
From the Collector of South Arcot.

Sir,

With reference to para 15 of Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 1st September 1855 on the rates of assessment I proposed in my letter of the 12th February 1853 for the lands of the surveyed Pallamcottah Saghur in this District, I have the honor to state for the information of the Board and Government, that there are no wells in any of the 46 Villages comprising the Saghur in question, which are entered in our accounts as having been constructed by Government.

2. The few that do exist are all represented to have been sunk by the Ryots themselves at their own expense.

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3. Under these circumstances I propose to assess the garden lands without reference to the wells which may be found on them, upon the same principles as those which are applied to the other lands of the Saghur.

4. Setting aside the consideration of wells the garden lands will be divided into irrigated and unirrigated as the case may be, and the assessment fixed according to the turrum into which, from their quality, they fall, such lands however, being regarded agreeably to the general practice, when situated within the "Grammah Muttrom" /side of the Village/ as capable of paying the highest rate of their class whether irrigated or unirrigated.

5. Even if Sirkar wells did exist on any lands of the kind, I am of opinion that it would still be best to look upon them as belonging to the proprietors of the fields, and to assess the soil as unirrigated, unless there was any other Government source from which a regular supply of water could be obtained.

6. I premise that all the lands in this Saghur

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Sagheer, which have hitherto been usually appropriated for the cultivation of Garden produce, will almost invariably be put into the first Burrum of the classification under which they may come.

South Arcot,
Collector's Cutcherry,
Cuddalore, 12th February 1856

(Signed) A. Hall
Collector

Bd's No. 590
Proceedings thereon.
(111-112)

The Board approve the course which the Collector proposes in this letter to adopt in assessing Garden lands in the 4th Villages of the Palamcotta Sagheer.

As wells are extremely rare and where they exist are believed to have been dug by the ryots themselves and are not entered in the account the lands will be treated without reference to their existence.

No. 9.

(113.)

To,

G. S. Forbes Esquire
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George

Bd's No. 590
From the Collector of Malabar

Sir,

Adverting to the concluding part of para 3 of an Extract from the Minutes of Consultation of Government dated 16th and received with an Extract from the Board's Proceedings of

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of 23d Ultimo, I have the honor to report that I have taken measures to give the widest possible facility to the fact that Salt from Bombay Arabia or any other Country imported by sea may be sold on private account, like any other Merchandize on payment of the Government duty of 4 annas the Indian Maund but I am not aware of any facility that can be now afforded in this District for Bonding Salt our own Depots are so full that we are obliged for the want of space during the shipping season to erect temporary sheds to store the Salt in Course of delivery. I beg therefore to solicit the Board's further instructions on this point and to be informed if I may submit a Plan and Estimate of the warehouses which it will be necessary to construct if Salt is to be bonded. I may as well however as stated in my letter of the 30th November last remark that as long as the Government take any part in the trade the profits of the trader under the present excise duty cannot be large or tempting and are not I fear sufficiently large to lead parties to avail themselves of Bonding Warehouses.

Calicut
12th February 1856

(Signed) I. Clarke
Collector

Order thereon.
(113-114.)

Ordered to be over

To

No. 15.

To

G. S. Forbes Esquire
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George.

115

Bd. No. 630
From the Collector
of Vizagapatam

Sir,

With reference to your Circular Letter of the 2d Instant, I have the honor to state that there is no salt for export in this District and no chance of any being ready for export to Chittagong.

Vizagapatam,
Collector's Office,
11th February, 1856

/Signed/ P. B. Smollett
Collector

Order thereon.
115-116

Ordered to be recorded.—

No. 38

To

G. S. Forbes Esquire
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George.

117

Bd. No. 666
From the Collector
of Tanjore
× In 6 parcels
Tanjore, Vellums,
13th February, 1856
Bd. No. 678

Sir,

I have the honor to return by this day's bandy the Gazetteer sent to me for correction.—

/Signed/ H. Forbes
Collector

Proceedings thereon.
117-118.

Resolved that the letter recorded

recorded above, with its accompaniment, be forwarded to Government with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation 15th August 1855.

No. 40.

To

G. S. Forbes Esquire
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George

119

Bd. No. 709.
From the Collector
of Tanjore

Sir,

It is with regret that I remember that I omitted to sign the last Volume of the Gazetteer returned to you on the 23rd Instant in acknowledgement of the alterations and additions made by me.—

I enclose my official signature
2.
on a separate paper, which I request may be annexed to the last manuscript note made by me in the Gazetteer.—

Tanjore,
Papanasam,
26th February 1856

/Signed/ H. Forbes
Collector

Order thereon.
119-120

Ordered to be recorded the request of the Collector has been duly attended to.—

Resolved that the following

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following letters be despatched.—

To

Colonel Pears C.E.

Consulting Engineer

Railway

121

B/ No. 677

To Consulting—

Engineer Railway

Sir,

I am directed by the Board

of Revenue to request that you will—

oblige them by causing the line of

the Railways and the Stations to be marked

No. 44 60-61-778 on the accompanying maps.—

2.

In progress of Intended Construction route. The Board would be glad

if this could be done in the manner

Peremptore Station shown in the margin in Vermilion.

Revenue Board Office,

Fort Saint George,

4th March, 1856.

/Signed/ G. D. Forbes

Secretary

To

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122

B/ No. 673

To the Collector of Nellore—

To the Collector of Nellore.

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to forward by this days Banghy the undermentioned Printed forms, for which an application was submitted in your letter of the 23d February 1856

you will be pleased to acknowledge the receipt of the same.

Revenue Board Office, Fort Saint George, 4th March 1856

/Signed/ G. D. Forbes

Secretary

2,000 Copies of Prize List in Telugu—

99 — — — — — — — English.

123

B/ No. 3690

From the Acting Collector of Masulipatam. Statement of actual charges incurred under estimate in the Masulipatam District for July 1264.—

124

B/ No. 3574.

From the Collector of Nellore. Statement of actual charges incurred under estimate for July 1264 in the District of Nellore.—

125

B/ No. 3675.

From the Agent to the Governor in Kurnool. Statement of actual charges incurred under estimate in the District of Kurnool for July 1264.

123-126 Order on

Read the undermentioned Statements.—

The three abovementioned Statements. Resolved that the necessary orders be passed.—

Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous letters and Statements.—

127

Mys. No. 577.

From the Collector of Salem. Statement of contingent charges not exceeding 20 Rupees in the 3d Quarter from 1st November 1855 to 31st January 1856.

128

Mys. No. 578.

From the Collector of Trichinopoly. Statement of Contingent charges not

not exceeding 20 Rupees in the 3d Quarter from 1st November 1855 to 31st January 1856.

129 My No. 579. From the Collector of Coimbatore. Statement of contingent charges not exceeding 20 Rupees in the 3d Quarter from 1st November 1855 to 31st January 1856.

130 My No. 580 From the Collector of Chingleput. Rain Report for January 1856

131 My No. 581 From the Collector of South Arcot. Rain Report for January 1856

132 My No. 574. From the Collector of Nellore. Statement of the Value of Gold and Silver Bullion and Specie imported by him for January 1856

133 My No. 576 From the Collector of Salem. Informing that a Petition inadvertently sent to this District had been sent to Madura.

134 My No. 575 From the Collector of South Arcot. Statement shewing the quantity of Salt in Store available for exportation to Calcutta on the 15th February 1856.

135 My No. 550 From the Collector of Cuddapa. Statement of Demand Collection and Balance for January 1856

136 My No. 551 From the Collector of Cuddapa. Average Bazar Prices of Grain for January 1856

137 My No. 571. From the Collector of Masulipatam. Reporting upon the State of the season up to 15th February 1856

138 My No. 573 From the Collector of Madura. Statement shewing the quantity of Salt Petre exported to London or Liverpool in Board English Vessels for January 1856. (None)

139 My No. 572 From the Collector of Tinnevelly. Informing that there were no exports of Salt Petre from the Ports of this District to London or Liverpool during last month.

140 My No. 570 From the Acting Collector of Canara. Statement shewing the particulars of wastage of Salt in July 1854.

141 My No. 569 From the Collector of Sea Customs Madras. Intimating that the Statement referred to in the Boards Memo does not seem to have arrived by the Steamer "Bentinck" from Calcutta.

142 My No. 573 From the acting 3d Assistant Accountant General Invoice of the Beyer shipped on Board the "Clive" from London

No 52

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Read again Extract Minutes Consultation dated 8th and Entered in Consultation 8th February 1856.

Ordered that the following Letter be sent.

To The Secretary to Government.

143 CS. No. 693 To the Sect. to Government } Sir,

In Cons. 8th Feby 1856

With reference to Extract Minutes Consultation of 8th February 1856, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you that no Salt petre has been exported to London and Liverpool from the ports of the Districts noted in the Margin, during January 1856.

Madras
South Arcot
Tanjore
Malabar
Madura
Tinnevelly

2 The Collectors of those Districts from whence no returns have been received have been requested to expedite their despatch.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St George
5th March 1856

/ Signed / G. I. Forbes
Secretary

Read

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Read the following Papers.

Memorandum.

(144)
A after N° 678.
From the Secretary to Government

The Secretary to Government has the honor to request that the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue will be so good as to return for reference the Memo and Statements on the subject of Salt compiled by Mr J.D. Sim and forwarded to the Board as mentioned in Extract Minutes of Consultation 4th April 1854 N° 401.

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27th February 1856

/ Signed / J.D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government

Ordered that the following official Memo be sent in reply.

(144-145)
D.S. N° 692
To the Secretary to Government

Memorandum

With reference to the Memo of the Revenue Secretary to Government dated 27th February 1856 the Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to inform him that Mr Sims Memo on Salt is not for the carrying on their Records. It is believed to have been returned to the Government Office

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/ Signed / G.A. Forbes
Secretary

Extract

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(146.)
A after N° 760
From the Secretary to Government

Revenue Department
N° 9.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Under date the 4th March 1856.

Read the following report from the Civil Auditor.

/ Here enter 4th March 1856 /

1 The Right Honorable the Governor in Council regrets that in the present state of the Service he is unable to supply Mr Swinton's place in the Tinnevelly District and that he therefore cannot permit Mr Swinton to proceed to England on Furlough unless his reasons for returning thither are of a very urgent character.

2 It consequently becomes unnecessary to grant the two months leave now applied for.

/ A true Extract /

/ Signed / J.D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government

(146-147)
D.S. N° 697
Order thereon.

Ordered to be communicated to Mr Swinton through the Collector of Tinnevelly.

No 39

To G. S. Forbes Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St George.

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Bd No 560
From the Collector
of Nellore

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Board's Circular No 3089 dated 21st November last accompanied by Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 11th June preceding regarding the preparation of the Returns of the prices of Grain.

With reference to Board's Circular of 21st November 1855 submitting his reply regarding the preparation of the Returns of Grain.

2. The Price Lists transmitted from this District show the wholesale Merchants Prices at the several Talook Cutcherries, taken weekly. The prices are obtained simply by enquiries of the Bazar Merchants regarding the selling rates during the preceding week, and the Talook Lists therefore profess to show the ruling prices during the period embraced by each return.

3 As only the wholesale price per Candy is taken, and this local measure is well defined, and the same throughout the District, I do not think there is any room for error from a want of uniformity in this respect. In converting the Candy however into the Standard measures prescribed in

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in Circular order 19th August 1841 - 7 4.6 2/3 Madras Measures have heretofore been reckoned very nearly the correct equivalent to a Candy, though 800 Regulation measures would seem according to recent investigations to be about the correct equivalent.

Vide paras 4 Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 7th May 1855

4 While the perfect accuracy of the Price Lists under existing circumstances cannot be considered wholly beyond question they may I think be safely received as a tolerably correct record of facts affording probably a sufficiently near approximation to the truth for the purposes for which they are required - whilst to attempt greater accuracy would involve an amount of scrutiny which in the present state of the native trading and mercantile community of the Districts is likely to defeat its own object.

Para 3.

5 With regard to the proposal to confine the preparation of the Lists to particular places which the Board observe "should be Market Towns of some importance where trustworthy agency is available," I beg to observe that

that considering the varying circumstances of the different Talooks the present plan of taking the prices at the several Cusbahs appears to me better calculated to afford a fair criterion of the prices of the District at large than taking them at a few particular Towns only, such as the places named in the margin which are situated on the High Northern Road, and are the only Towns of any great importance in the District, but are far from being the only markets for the produce of this collectorate. I would therefore recommend that the present practice of taking the prices at all the Talooks Cusbahs a list of which is given in the margin should be continued.

Naidoopettah
Nellore
Ongole

1 Gooderoo
2 Nellore
3 Allore
4 Cotah
5 Kovaly
6 Sungum
7 Davaraypully
8 Woodiagherry
9 Caligherry
10 Tadavoo
11 Rampoor
12 Sydapooram
13 Cundukoor
14 Ponnalore
15 Angle
16 Enamamallore
17 Addanky

Paras 6 & 7

6 The wholesale Merchants prices are, as observed by the Board by far the most valuable as coming nearest the Ryots prices, which are generally from 2 to 4 Rupees less per Candy to allow for carriage hire and the Merchants profit. I do not think it will be practicable to obtain any really correct information regarding the

the extent of the Sales at each place. The enquiry would tend to excite suspicion and be likely to defeat its own object. In connection with this part of the subject I beg to forward the opinion of my Sub Collector Mr Minchin.

Para 5

7 As regards the Grains which should be entered in the returns those specified in the margin

	Percentage	
Peshanum Cheenavary	12	53
Godavary	10	72
Jonna	33	67
Varagoo	11	74
Suzza	5	8
Lamp Oil Seed	5	37
Raggy	4	72
Horse Gram	3	

may be said to be the Staples of the District being the most extensively cultivated. The percentage of each of them on the entire cultivation is also roughly given as required by the Board. The price Lists now furnished include the Grains specified and Black Grain in addition but this last may I think be omitted and Lamp Oil Seed substituted.

Para 3

8 The Board wish to know whether the establishment of Public Markets would be acceptable to the people and likely to succeed. In a Country where the means of internal communication are so defective the Establishment of Public local Markets

Markets ought to prove of great advantage both to the Trading and agricultural interests, but having made an effort in the year 1853 to introduce them the result of which was unsuccessful it appears to me that they are either not appreciated or that a more favorable time should be selected to commence them viz: when grain is abundant and the merchants would be likely to consider it their interest to get rid of their Stock. The scarcity that followed the Establishment of weekly markets in 1853 was the first cause of the discontinuance of the one held at Nellore itself. On the whole the result of the experiment did not show they were acceptable to the merchants but as they are likewise common elsewhere in India further efforts might be made to introduce them at a favorable opportunity.

Nellore District
Coll[r] Office Kistnapatam
12th February 1856

/ Signed / F.B. Elton
Collector

Encl 1.
No 110.

To F.B. Elton Esq[re].
Collector of Nellore,

Sir,

With reference to the Boards Circular

Circular No. 3089 forwarding Extract from Minutes of Consultation dated 11th June 1855. I have the honor to state that the price Lists transmitted from this Division are taken at the Cutcherry Stations of each Taluk weekly and as only the wholesale Price per Pootty the local measure corresponding exactly with 7 2/3 Madras measures is taken, there is no room for error from a want of uniformity in that respect.

2. The mode in which the rate is obtained is simply by enquiries from the Bazar men as to the price at which they have sold during the preceding week and though there appears no reason why these men should not give correct information on the subject I am convinced from a comparison of prices I have myself paid for Grain per Pootty at various times compared with those given in the Taluk lists that they have a tendency in times of scarcity to under state Prices.

3. Considering however the extraordinary fluctuations that will be found to take place in villages often close to each other I should always shrink from setting down the Taluk rates as incorrect simply because I had not found them tally

tally with those of a neighbouring village
It is not, merely the want of communi-
cations but also of a spirit of competi-
tion which prevents that equalisation
of prices to be found in Communities
acted on by ordinary mercantile principles.

4. The establishment of Public mar-
kets would certainly give official cer-
tainty to the rates at least of such
transactions as might take place under
the eye of the Market officer but I am
of opinion that they would be most un-
acceptable to the people and would
have no chance of success unless en-
forced by authority to an extent that
would not be judicious.

I am convinced that if markets
are built, and the people invited to bring
their produce there for sale little if any
would ever be brought voluntarily for it
is a truth though a strange one that the
Natives have no desire to sell and only
do so under the pressure of circumstances.

5 Grain can always be purchased
by going for it to the villages but for the last
two years, during which prices have been
so high it had always to be sought for
and no Ryot thinks of taking his own
grain

grain elsewhere for sale, leaving that part
of the business entirely in the hands of
Komatties or grain dealers. The latter would
oppose any measure which tended to strip
their dealings of secrecy, would certainly
shun the markets on that account and would
overwhelm the offices of the Revenue Board
and Government with Petitions against
the unjustifiable proceedings of the Local
officers who attempted to establish them.

6. Perfect non interference with
Trade is now universally acknowledged to
be the only safe principle to be followed in
India as elsewhere amongst such a timid
and suspicious race as the Grain dealers
of this Country the mere establishment of
Public markets would be liable to mis-
construction and would also serve to maintain
amongst the low orders an idea fatal in times of
scarcity, that the public authorities had a right
to interfere in fixing prices and defeating the
fraudulent combinations of the trade. This alone
is an objection sufficient to counter balance
many advantages.

7. While the rates as at present settled cannot
be considered absolutely correct they are certainly sufficiently near the truth for the purpose for which they
are required by Government namely to see their
effect on agricultural interests & to compare them
with the computation rates of the assessment.
Further accuracy could only be obtained by an
amount of scrutiny into private transactions which
must

must be prejudicial while any attempt to discover the amount of sales in addition to their rates could only be carried out by some inquisitorial process which would create a panic throughout the trading community

8 The above reasons make me prefer the present plan of giving only the whole sale merchants prices to the Retail ones ruling in the Bazar. The latter practise has always the appearance of settling a "Tarrif" and fixing rates by authority as is so ardently desired by the lower classes in towns while every semblance of which should for that very reason be carefully avoided.

9 Besides Paddy the following is a list of those grains the price of which may be considered to have some influence on the prosperity of the people in the Division

Grains	Percentage of Cultivation
1 Jonnalu	40
2 Varagalu	15
3 Allu	15
4 Sadgalu	10
5 Ragulu	
6 Horse Gram	10
7 other Grains	10

The percentage of cultivation is entered broadly and must not be taken for the present season though I believe it would not be far from the mark in ordinary years owing to the failure of the earlier crops and the extensive cultivation of the late ones the proportions of Jonnalu and Varaga have been changed for the present year.

Ramapatam
Sub Collector's Office
18th December 1855

/Signed/ James Innes Minchin
Asst Sub Collector

B

No 12.

To G. S. Forbes Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St George.

149.

Bd No 613

From the Coll. of Masulipatam

Stating that the agricultural exhibition for the District ought to be held at Bezwadah instead of at Ellore under the circumstances stated.

Sir.

Considerations connected with the circumstances of the season and with the General convenience of the community have recently convinced me that the agricultural Exhibition for this District in the present season ought to be held at Bezwadah and not at Ellore.

2 In furtherance of this proposed change, I proceeded to Bezwadah a few days since having requested the Civil Engineer and the Sub Collector to meet me there. They both concurred in opinion with me that under existing circumstances Bezwadah was the preferable place and I hope I have made every practicable arrangement for ensuring to the exhibition such a Degree of success as could be hoped for in the first year of an experiment the character and objects of which are so new to the inhabitants of the District.

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3 I have circulated 2000 Copies of a printed notice intimating the change.

4 Of the Committee formed by the Board two members the Civil and Sessions Judge, and the Civil Surgeon are absent from the District not from their positions as Permanent Residents of Masulipatam could they have given any material aid to the furtherance of the exhibition. whether held at Ellore or Bezwadah even had they been present.

5 Among the advantages over Ellore which Bezwadah appeared to possess was the fact that it is the Head Quarters both of the Civil Engineer and the Sub Collector and that other Europeans likely to take an interest in the success of the Exhibition are also there resident.

6 While at Bezwadah several members were added to the Committee which is now composed of the following Gentlemen European and Native—

T. D. Lushington Esqre Collector
Vice President

Members

1 Captain Orr, Civil Engineer
2 J. Fraser Esqre Sub Collector

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3 Assistant Surgeon Millar M.D.
4 Lieutenant Forsyth Assistant Civil Engineer.
5 Lieutenant Way Sappers & Miners
6 E. E. Merrall Esqre Civil Engineer
7 Amaravaty Sastriah Head Sheristadar
8 P. Venkatasumanappa Naidoo District Moonsiff
9 Cuddapah Kristna Row Tahsildar of Bezwadah
10 Gulfoor Sahib
11. Veerasawmy Moodelliar Ameen Superintendent
12 Mr Eccles Head Writer to Civil Engineer

7 I have written to the 4 Principal Zemmindars Zemmindar of Nuzzeed Amberpett Devercottah Wullore requesting them to act as members of the Committee within their Zemindars and to do all in their power to encourage the objects of the Exhibition and to visit Bezwadah on the occasion.

8 Mr Merrall Civil Engineer has been appointed Secretary to the Prize List already submitted to the Board the following articles have been added. The former Lists having long since been printed

printed and generally circulated and the prizes for the items to which the Board advanced objections — being very small no alteration has been made in that List.

	Gingely Oil seeds not less than 2 Toons	Rs 30
	Best Collection of Oils	20
D	Do of Paints and Raw Materials of which made	10
	Best Sample of Paper made in the District with Materials of which it is made	30
	Best Collections of Materials for paper making not less than 1 Ream	10
	Best Tattoo Stallion bred in the District	30
	Di — Mares	30
	Best pair of working Buffaloes	35
	Best Collections of Native drugs /Vegetables/	20
	Do Do Do Mineral	10
	Do Do Do Fish Oils	10
	Collection of Gums and resins	15
	Collection of Tanning Substances	10

10 The time for the erection of a

a building for the exhibition being very limited and there being under construction at Bezwadah 2 or 3 long ranges of Work shops which have nearly reached completion and which Captain Orr was willing to place at my disposal for the Exhibition I have arranged that they shall be made use for that object and 200 Rupees have been assigned for cleaning and improving the approaches to the building through the village and to the preparation of such Shelves and benches as may be considered requisite.

I shall be glad if the inhabi 11 tants of the District show by their attendance and by the products which they send to the Exhibition on this first meeting that they have at all entered with spirit into it at Bezwadah they will at all events be able to see the great works which the Government has been carrying out for their benefit, and now that the curse of forced labor has been removed

removed they will be able to see and appreciate them in their true light.

Masulipatam
Collector's Circuit Cutchery
At Goodewadah
19th February 1856

/Signed/ T.D. Lushington
Collector

149-150
Bd No 695

Proceedings thereon. 1 The Board defer to the opinion of the Local Committee and sanction the agricultural Exhibition being held this year at Goodewadah instead of the more central station originally selected.

2 They also approve of the other arrangements reported and request that samples of the Jute Cotton and Indigo and specimens of any novel or valuable "Paints Drugs Gums resins, Dyes, and Tanning Substances which may be exhibited may be forwarded to them if the owners will sell the small quantities required.

3 The Board observe that no Jute has been offered for Sugar.

Resolved that the following letter be despatched.

157
Bd No 694
To the Collrs of
Ganjam
Vizagapatam
Rajahmundry
Masulipatam
Guntoor
Nellore
Chingleput
and Canara.

To The Collector of Ganjam.

With reference to their Circular of 8th February 1856. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that you will expedite the despatch of the Salt Petre export return therein required for January 1856.

2 You will be careful to cause the transmission of this Return on the 1st of the month following that for which it is prepared as soon after as possible.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St George
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/Signed/ G.S. Forbes
Secretary

Received the undermentioned

152
Mc No 519
From the Collector of
Masulipatam

Miscellaneous letters and Statements.

Informing that no Imports or Exports of Gold and Silver Bullion and Specie have taken place at the Port of Masulipatam for

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Mr No 586

From the Agent at Kurnool } Statement shewing the State of the Season during the 1st half of February 1856.

154

Mr No 587

From the Collector of Tanjore } Statement shewing the State of the Season during the 1st half of February 1856.

155

Mr No 588

From the Collector of Trichinopoly } Statement shewing the State of the Season during the 1st half of February 1856.

156

Mr No 585

From the Collector of South arcot } Statement shewing the State of the Season during the 2d half of February 1856.

157

Mr No 584

From the Collector of Tanjore } Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of Revenue for February 1856.

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No 53.

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Read the following papers.

No 179.

158

Bd No 552.

From the Secretary to Government stating in detail the grounds upon which the Government have resolved to discontinue the practice of importing Bombay Salt into Malabar and Canara on their account desiring the Board to prepare a Notification with a view to making known the above resolution of Government in the Official Gazette and requesting them to ascertain from the Collectors and report upon certain points noted within

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 15th February 1856...

Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue..

(Here enter 22d December 1855 No 3416)

Para 1. In para 15 of Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 30th June 1855 the Board of Revenue were requested after obtaining the sentiments of the Collectors of Canara and Malabar on the subject to report on the expediency of giving up entirely the practice of importing Bombay Salt into those Districts on account of Government now that it can be brought by private Merchants on payment of a fixed rate of duty. On more than one occasion subsequently the Government have adverted to the subject and in para 3 of Extract Minutes Consultation 13th September 1855 in particular in sending to the Board for report a complaint from certain Bombay Merchants that they were not allowed to sell Bombay

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Salt which they might import into Malabar and Canara to other than Government Agents the Government remarked that those papers furnished stronger reasons than before appeared for abolishing Government interference with this trade because they shewed that it was a mistake to suppose that the Bombay Merchants would not take it up.

2. The Board of Revenue in replying to that order of the 13th September expressed themselves against withdrawal from the trade and again in their letter of the 22d December recorded at the head of these Proceedings in sending up the opinion of the Collector of Malabar they repeat the same sentiments. The opinion of the Acting Collector of Canara was contained in his letter which accompanied the Boards of the 4th December. The subject is now before Government therefore for decision and having given it careful consideration they proceed to pass orders upon it.—

3. The case is as follows— Prior to January 1st 1854 foreign Salt that is Salt not the produce of the Madras Territories imported on private account into any part of those Territories was liable to a prohibitory duty of

Rupees

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Rupees 3 a Maund except that in 1849 a partial exception had been made for a particular purpose in favor of Salt imported by land into Canara from Goa. Bombay Salt was however brought largely to both Malabar and Canara on account of the Government Monopoly and has been so up to the present time — It is Considered very Superior to that of local manufacture by large Classes of the population at least if not universally and both kinds being Sold under the Monopoly at the same price the Bombay Salt was so much preferred that the making of Salt on account of Government was entirely stopped in Malabar though it still continued to some extent in Canara. Before the date above mentioned Bombay Salt in Common with all other Foreign Salt was excluded in the Government Monopoly but as soon as Foreign Salt brought by private Merchants was made admissible on payment of duty this State of things was changed. Foreign Salt then ceased to be included in the Government Monopoly other Sources for its supply were opened and Government were no longer under

Any

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any obligation expressed or implied to furnish it.

4. The considerations in favor of the withdrawal of Government from the trade are two. In the first place it is a losing one to Government secondly it is an unfair and injurious interference with the private merchant. The trade is a losing one because the Bombay salt costs more than the price at which it is sold by Government, i.e. the price obtained is far from covering the cost and the duty as it ought to do. The Contract charge for bringing Bombay salt to Canara is about 23 Rupees a Garce and the actual cost of bringing it to Malabar during the last five years averages 29 Rupees on the other hand the cost of home manufactured salt rarely exceeds seven Rupees and even in Canara where as recently stated by the Board it is so high as to admit of fair reduction it is only 10 or Rupees. The charges of storage and sale being the same in both cases there is here a clear loss of 13 Rupees in Canara and 19 Rupees in Malabar on every Garce of salt imported from Bombay less the small saving by the diminished wastage on Bombay salt.

Letter July 25. 1855 Para 15

5. But further these operations on the

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the part of Government are an injurious interference with private trade. In every case wherein Government take part in a trade the private merchant is discouraged because while he is obliged to regulate his prices by the actual cost of the Commodity to him his Competitor the Government is under no such obligation having other and independent resources to draw upon for any defect in the returns of that particular trade. As a Consequence it is found that private merchants withdraw from such Competition with a Government. And much more must this be the case much greater must be the disadvantage under which the private trader labors when as in the present case the Government do not even profess to aim at balancing their receipts by the trade against their outgoings but avowedly Carry it on at a constant and heavy loss. Under such circumstances it is clear that private merchants must abandon the trade. The Petitions presented to the Government of Bombay as above noticed shew conclusively that the merchants of Bombay are desirous of engaging in the trade but it is impossible that

that they can do so as long as the Government take part in it Under the circumstances above stated the argument of the Board that because private merchants do not bring salt under present circumstances therefore they would not bring it if Government withdraw from the trade is obviously unsound.

6. Such are the general merits of the case as they appear to the Government. The Board of Revenue however are strongly opposed to the abandonment of the trade by Government the ground of their objection being that the consumer is entitled by law to receive salt at a price not exceeding one Rupee a Maund and that Bombay salt could not be sold at that price by private traders.

This argument however it must be pointed out is based on a double misapprehension of fact 1st Bombay salt is not included in the Monopoly as already shown and therefore Government have nothing to do with the price and 2d the limit fixed by law to the price of Monopoly salt is not one Rupee a Maund but one Rupee and a half Section XLIII Act VI of 1844 fixes the selling price to

to be paid to the Government of Madras for salt manufactured and sold under its orders for consumption within the Territories at one Rupee and eight annas the Indian Maund. The present selling price indeed is one Rupee but this is under the orders of the Honorable Court reducing the price in pursuance of Section XLIV of the same act.—

7. Thus there is no legal obstacle to the withdrawal of Government from the trade the only point remaining for consideration is whether or not it is right and expedient that Government should withdraw—. The case as it stands at present is this the Government or to speak more properly the consumers of Common salt pay the expense of providing certain classes in Canara and the general population of Malabar with a superior kind of salt but no legal or moral obligation can be shown to lie on either the Government or the general consumers to incur this charge— In the ordinary course of things those who wish to use a superior article pay a better price and there is no reason why that natural rule should not be permitted to operate in

in the present Case.—

8. If it be argued that the general population of Malabar ought not to be thus left to a high priced Salt it may be replied that even in the case supposed the price of salt would not be nearly so high in any part of Malabar as it is now in all the Inland Districts. But further it is probable that the cost of Bombay Salt on the Coast would not be so much augmented as may now be thought likely. In the nature of things private merchants can carry on commercial operations more cheaply than Governments and there seems no doubt that with a trade regularly established and considering the return trade already existing particularly in timber from both Districts the coast of Bombay Salt in both would be reduced much below what it is at present though probably not to such a degree as to be saleable at one Rupee a Maund including the duty. And lastly it is to be observed that if there shall appear sufficient likelihood of a demand the local manufacture may be re established so as to give the

population of Malabar as in Canara the option of taking common salt at one Rupee a Maund if they choose. This will be again adverted to below.—

9. Looking to the opinions of the local officers it is found that neither of the Collectors is opposed to the change. The Acting Collector of Canara merely expresses doubts whether Bombay Salt could be brought at a profit to the importer when home made salt is sold at a Rupee a Maund but that is a question between the consumer and the trader. The Collector of Malabar goes into the subject more at large. He thinks (para 5) that the price of Bombay salt would be raised by the change which is probable and he also thinks (Para 8) that it would be liable to some adulteration but this also would only be what takes place in every trade more or less and particularly in the Salt trade between the Coast and the interior. He justly points out (para 3) that as long as Government takes part in the trade private persons will not engage in it and he expressly says (Para 9) that the abandonment of the trade

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the Monopoly as he truly styles it seems to him both politic and just. Mr. Clarke also refers to some letters from the late Collector to the Board in which that gentleman expresses himself much to the same effect as Mr. Fisher. None of these three gentlemen afford any support to the view taken by the Board that Government is under an obligation both legal and moral to continue in the trade.—

October 17th 1851
" 1st 1852
April 21st 1854

10. On the whole every Consideration seems to be in favor of the change. Fairness to the general Consumer now unduly taxed for the benefit of the few Consumers of Bombay salt justice to the Bombay Merchant now excluded from a profitable branch of Commerce, the advantage of affording facilities to the legitimate trade between Bombay and the western Coast of this Presidency which must benefit the latter in various ways and the expediency of lessening the interference of Government in the operations of private trade to the utmost possible extent.—

11. Upon a careful consideration of all the circumstances the Right Honorable

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the Governor in Council has arrived at the Conclusion that it is no longer necessary or expedient that the Government should continue to carry on the trade in Bombay salt and he resolves accordingly to take immediate steps for withdrawing from that trade. This must not be done too precipitately however or without allowing time for the Merchants of Bombay and of the Coast to make arrangements for taking up the business. The Governor in Council therefore resolves to fix the 30th June 1857 as the day after which no Bombay salt shall be introduced into Canara or Malabar on Government account but at the same time to make it known that the importation shall cease at an earlier date provided the local officers shall be satisfied that no general scarcity of salt would be likely to ensue. The Board of Revenue will prepare a notification for insertion in the Official Gazette making known the resolution of Government on the subject and the Government will take measures to make it known to the mercantile Community of Bombay. The Collectors of Canara and Malabar should also be instructed both to publish the same intelligen

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at all the Chief Towns and Sea Ports of their respective districts and also to put themselves in Communication with Merchants at Bombay with the view of ascertaining the earliest date at which the Government operations in the trade Can properly be made intirely to cease on which point the Governor in Council will expect their report in due time through the Board of Revenue.

12. It also appears to Government that for the easier introduction of the Change of system and to facilitate the gradual entry of Bombay salt on private account it will be proper to Commence from a certain early date to be fixed hereafter to sell Bombay salt at the Government Stores at its actual Cost price including duty and Charges instead of at the Monopoly price of a Rupee a Maund as heretofore - In doing this it will be proper to fix one price for Canara and another for Malabar because the cost of bringing the salt from Bombay varies so materially in the two Cases as remarked above - To the cost of bringing the salt viz the actual contract rate if it is brought in contract or if it is not so brought the mean charges of

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of the last few years should be added a fair sum for the average charges between the landing and storing of the salt and its ultimate sale including wastage and the product added to the duty of 14 Annas a Maund would be the Selling price - As this would be only a temporary arrangement a high degree of nicety would not be necessary in fixing the price - Before issuing positive orders however for carrying into effect the Measure indicated in this Para - the Governor in Council would wish to have the opinion of the local Officers both in general as to the expediency of thus facilitating the Change from Monopoly to an open trade and also as to the proper time for the Commencement of the new rate of selling supposing the Measure to be resolved on - He requests therefore that the Board will procure and submit the opinions of those Officers on the subject at an early date -

13. It also occurs to the Governor in Council as already slightly noticed that it may be necessary and proper in thus adopting measures which will probably somewhat raise the price

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of Bombay Salt in Malabar to take steps for giving the population the option of taking a cheaper and inferior article if they choose.- Goa Salt indeed will probably to some extent supply this want as that Salt which goes near to co- undersell home made Salt in Canara - will probably be saleable at very little above the Monopoly price in Malabar.- But some other means may be proper and the Governor in Council would wish the Board of Revenue and the Collector to consider whether it might not now be expedient to rescind the prohibition of the Manufacture of Salt in that District and arrange for its being made at first perhaps on a limited Scale with the view of supplying those Classes of the population who might choose to use such Salt. On this point also the Right Honorable the Governor in Council would wish to have the opinion of the Board and

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and the Collector at an early date but as the short season of Manufacture in Malabar has already commenced he authorizes the Collector if of opinion that the Course proposed ought to be followed to take immediate steps for commencing the manufacture this very year.-

The Right Honorable

Mr.

The Governor in Council will only remark in conclusion that in the decision of the important question before him he found himself compelled after giving full consideration to the arguments advanced by the Board to differ from them in opinion. He is persuaded however that this circumstance will not affect the cordiality of the Boards co-operation in carrying into effect the resolution so

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to arrived at and that the main question having been decided they will give their best attention to the Minor questions Concerned both those above indicated and others that may arise in order to their early and right Settlement.

/True Extract/

/Signed/ J. D. Bourdillon

Secretary to Government

To

The President &

Members of the

Board of Revenue

Note. Copies have been sent direct to the Collectors for the sake of expedition.

Ordered

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Ordered that the following letter be sent:-

To the Secretary to Government Revenue Department

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To the Secretary to Government. Submitting remarks in explanation of the views expressed by the Board and which appear to have been misunderstood by Government in Extract Minutes Consultation 15th February 1856 as respects the discontinuance of the Salt Monopoly in Malabar & Canara and the price at which the Salt may be sold to the people.

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 15th February 1856.

2 The Board of Revenue will proceed without delay to carry out the orders now given, and the Government may be assured that however much they may regret the decision at which the Government has arrived, and however contrary it may be to the views of the Board, this will not affect the cordiality of the Board in giving effect to that course which the Government has seen fit to adopt.

3 But the Board of Revenue at the same time deem it their duty to point out to the Government that the Extract Minutes of Consultation which they have now

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now the honor to acknowledge shows that several arguments upon which they have laid stress have been misapprehended and that they have been reviewed as holding opinions very different from those which they entertain.

4 The object of the Board has been throughout to provide that the price of Salt, one of the necessaries of life, shall not be raised upon the people beyond what they consider the legal rate, and that it shall be provided to them in such a manner that private enterprise shall have full scope in cheapening this article to the utmost possible degree. The present question applies almost exclusively to Malabar in which district the Government have found it desirable hitherto to import Salt for the purposes of their monopoly and this imported Salt has taken the place of that produced by the home manufacture which the Government has entirely discontinued. In Canara the home manufacture is still carried on, and

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and indigenous Salt of excellent quantity is available at all the depôts - at two only, in the South of the district, Bombay Salt has lately been sold for the convenience of the traders from above the Ghâts - It is not used by the inhabitants of Canara, but it has not been advisable to discontinue the supply at those two depôts because the trade would thereby be diverted from its present channel.

5 The Board are still of opinion that the system which is now in operation leaves free scope private enterprise to Cheapen the article - There is no restriction whatever on private trade, and the reason why the trade was not assumed by the merchants was that they could not pay the Government duty even when only 12 Annas and sell the Salt at one Rupee.

6 Two passages in the Extract now acknowledged require especial remark. In Para 5 it is stated "the argument of the Board that because private merchants do not bring Salt under present circumstances

therefore

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therefore they would not bring it if Govern:ment withdraw from the sale is obviously unsound - The Board of Revenue desire me to explain that this argument is one which they never used, and quite contrary to their opinion - Their whole argument was that the merchant would bring the Salt; but they stated that he would charge more than 1 Rupee for it.

7 Again in para 9 It is stated "none of these three gentlemen afford any support to the view taken by the Board that Government is under an obligation both legal and moral to continue the trade". The Board beg to state that so far from making any such assertion the object pursued for years past has been to separate the Go:vernment from this trade and to throw it into the hands of the merchants - It was at the earnest recommendation of the Acting 3d Member when Collector of Canara that the trade was thrown open to the merchants at a duty of 12 Annas and it was with regret that he found that the merchants could not avail themselves of it.

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The view taken by the Board is that Government is under a legal and moral obligation to see that Salt shall not be so taxed as to be unprocur:able for one Rupee at the place of manufacture, or where (as throughout Malabar) the manufacture for revenue purposes has been suspended.

8 This opinion the Board still hold Sec XLIV of Act VI of 1844 gives to the Governor General in Council the power of reducing the price of Salt - It has been thus reduced at one Rupee and this price, in their opinion is as much the legal price as if it had been named in Sec. XLIII of the act - If therefore this Government by raising the duty from 12 to 14 annas and then withholding their own supply render it impossible for the people to obtain Salt at one Rupee the maund it appears to the Board that the people are taxed beyond what is intended by the Legislature and the order of the Supreme Government and the Honorable the Court of Directors.

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9 The Board of Revenue have considered it due to themselves to point out as they have now done that their views have in several respects been much misapprehended. The Board have not been arguing against leaving the trade in Salt to the ordinary operations of commerce. This is a measure that they have always advocated. The legitimate effect of Free trade is to cheapen the article to the consumer, and whenever it can perform its legitimate function the Board are most anxious to see the Merchants taking the work of supply out of the hands of the Government. The Merchants will do so whenever it is to their profit to pay the duty and sell the Salt at one Rupee. The Board are not pleading for Monopoly as the Extract under acknowledgment implies. They are only pleading that the people be allowed so long as a high import duty is imposed, to choose for themselves whether they will resort to the Government depôts or to the Merchants. The fact of the people resorting to the Depôts

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is a proof that they cannot get Salt for one Rupee the maund elsewhere and the Board only urge that the Government before withdrawing their supply should modify the duty so that Salt shall be procurable at that price. The depôts will then be unnecessary and may be discontinued. To discontinue the depôts before this is done is placing the people at the mercy of those few Merchants who have capital enough to pay the import duty and seek for profit by retailing Salt at their own rates. It will most certainly enhance the price of this necessary of life and cause discontent in the Province.

10 The Board must here observe with reference to para 8 of the Extract Minutes of Consultation that the trade which the Government refer to is likely to be promoted by the measure now proposed is already established between the Western Coast and Bombay and the Salt is now brought down by the Merchants as

as a return Cargo for the timber and other articles of commerce. The only circumstance that could tend to increase this trade is the cheapening the article to the consumer. But the tendency of the measure ordered by Government is, the Government themselves know to raise the price, and the Board are satisfied that this rise in price and the irregularity of the supply will seriously interrupt rather than aid the trade, and diminish consumption and with it the revenue of Government and the comfort of the people.

11 With the inland Merchants the measure will be highly unpopular. These traders especially value the certainty of finding a supply of Salt and that of pure quality. The Board will be glad when this can be afforded independently of the Government, but these inland traders will suffer severely if they are left at the mercy of the few Merchants who have capital enough to hold a stock of this article in readiness after paying

paying a duty of 14 Annas.

12 And here the Board would observe with reference to the remark of Government that "the price will still not be nearly so high as it now is in all the inland districts," that it must be remembered that the Salt is carried from the Coast of Malabar to the inland districts, so that the price is raised to the inland consumer as well as to Malabar, and the same remark applies to the adulteration spoken of in Para 9 of Extract Minutes of Consultation.

13 The Board's Proceedings of the 9th October 1855, are now before the Government, in those they have shown they hope, conclusively that the import duty on Salt on the Western Coast should not be higher than 12 Annas the maund. Even at that duty the Board doubt if Bombay Salt will be imported and sold at one Rupee.

14 In obedience to the orders of Government the Board have prepared for approval the accompanying notification and they will take the earliest measures

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measures practicable for reviving the Salt manufacture in Malabar as the Govern: ment direct. And they desire here to ob: serve that they have never considered or urged that the Government was bound to supply Bombay Salt at one Rupee the maund. Provided that the people can obtain indigenous Salt at that rate the requirements of what the Board con: sider the law are fulfilled. The Govern: ment can then legally demand a higher price from those who chose Bombay Salt in preference to other descriptions. But altho' the measure is legal the Board entertain very serious doubts whether it is politic. The habits of a people are changed with so much diffi: culty that the Board anticipate rather a loss to Government from decreased consumption than profit from the differ: ence between the cost to the State of the Salt of Malabar and that of Bombay. The climate of Malabar is very unfavorable to the manufacture of Salt and the Board believe that it is principally on this account that it was abandoned. The climate improves for this purpose

*Vide Salt Memo. Appendix C

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purpose towards the North but only at the Northern extremity of Canara is Salt of good grain produced. On this subject they will call upon the Col: lector for the earliest information.

15 The Government have observed that "the trade in Bombay Salt is a losing one, because the Bombay Salt costs more than the price at which it is sold by Government, that is the price is far from covering the cost and the duty as it ought to do". But the Board would beg to remind the Government that the duty should be fixed according to the profit of the monopoly. The trade in Bombay Salt is only a losing one if a cheaper article could have been supplied without consumption being diminished, that is, if a large net revenue can be obtained under the charges pro: posed by the Government than under the system which has been hitherto followed. To that extent only will the present system be proved to have been a losing one and the Board have expressed the doubt they entertain as to the result of the experiment

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now to be tried.-

16 The Board will only add that the information laid before Government as to the cost of Salt in Canara / Para 4 / is very far from correct. Instead of there being a difference between Bombay and home made Salt in the proportion of 23 and 10 Rupees, it was shewn by the Collector of Canara in a report dated the 3d September 1851 that the profit on Bombay Salt was about Rupees 89-7-- per garce when the price averaged 22 Rupees 8 annas per Garce - The profit on the whole monopoly transactions was about Rupees 91-10 /per Garce shewing that instead of a difference of 13 Rupees as stated in Para 4, the difference is not 3 Rupees.-

In Cons 25th Sept 1851 #Comprising the import and sale of 855 Garce of Bombay Salt and the manufacture transport and sale of 2922 Garce of Canara Salt

17 It will afford gratification to the Members of the Board if they have satisfied the Government that in the measures which they recommend they have not as the Extract now under acknowledgment appears to them to imply argued in favor of Government monopolies and against open trade - Their object is to leave trade unfettered, but not under the name of free trade

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to increase taxation - The Board wish that the consumer should be ensured Salt at what they consider the legal price of one Rupee per maund and that he be allowed to get it as much cheaper as free trade in opposition to Government management can supply it.-

18. The Board have addressed the Collectors of Canara and Malabar, and will lay their replies before Government as soon as received.-

Proceedings to Canara and Malabar 6th March 1856.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
6th March 1856 — / Signed / G. L. Forbes
Secretary.

Notice

The Government having authorized the admission of Salt into the ports of Malabar and Canara at a fixed duty of 14 Annas the Maund deem it expedient that the supply of foreign Salt

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Salt should be left to the ordinary course of trade. It is therefore notified that after the 30th June 1857 no Bombay Salt will be introduced into Malabar and Canara on Government account.

It is further notified that it is the intention of Government to discontinue the importation at an earlier date provided that the local officers shall be satisfied that no general scarcity of Salt will be likely to ensue.

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P.C. No 700.

Further Proceedings thereon - Ordered with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation under date 15th February 1856 that Extract Proceedings of the Board of Revenue of this date be forwarded to the Collectors of Malabar and Canara, who will report at the earliest practicable date the Measures that they have taken in conformity with the instructions conveyed in Para 11 of the above Extract Minutes Consultation.

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2- They will also report with reference to Para 12 the price which they deem it proper to put upon Bombay Salt and will state their opinion in general as to the expediency of thus facilitating the proposed change and as to the proper time for the commencement of the new rate of selling.

3- The Collector of Malabar will further report the measures which he deems it expedient to adopt with the view of reviving the Salt trade of Malabar.

To

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No. 27

To G. S. Forbes Esqre.

Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St George

(160.)

Rr. No. 366
From the Collector of Tanjore

Sir,

I have the honor to submit the Statement of Yeomiah payable in this District called for by the Board in your Circular letter of the 29th of August last No. 2264.

P. 3 2. The classification directed by the Board has been followed in the preparation of this Statement. All Yeomiahs in Tanjore, are however either hereditary, or for life and there are none extending to two or more lives, which are not hereditary.

P. 4 3. No purchases or mortgages of Yeomiah has ever been sanctioned in Tanjore.

P. 5 4. When lapses have occurred in the holders of Yeomiah represented by them to have been granted hereditarily but regarding which the Government have not been satisfied as reduction had

has been made, as in the case of ammiashastry by the order of Government no such order is recorded for the Sub Division of the Yeomiah held by Deetchipadectahit, and Ramalabayee but they are included in the Mohun list sanctioned on the 6th April 1852.

para 7 5. No instance of attempted impostures is on record here, and the orders of Government dated the 6th of February 1850. have been strictly attended to, I regret that I am unable to give the Board the information of the ratio of lapses among males and Females which they desire in this paragraph to receive.

Tanjore, Vellum 14th February 1856.

Signed A. Forbes
Collector

List

							affairs of the Pagoda				no doubt that these yeomiahs were granted for performing the services mentioned in Col. 9 and they are still performed.
Do. 71	26	individual the attached to the same pagoda	28	6	42	Do.	Do.	"	Do.	For dancing and Music.	Do.	Do.	
Do. 72		Certain persons attached to the same pagoda	82		1	Do.	Do.	"	Do.	For Service as barers.	Do.	Do.	
Raja maha em 18		Janairy peroo maparyen	50	5	7 6	By Tolajara jah date unknown.	Aus nairy peroom paryen.	Grand Son.	No docu ment	For performing certain Service in the pagoda at Trivalore	Rela tionship and Service.	Vide Remarks contained in the list No 2 submitted to Board on the 26th Janu ary 1837.
Do. 19		Do.	35	"	"	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Relation ship.	Do.	
Do. 20		Do.	8	3	3	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.		

Service Yeomiahs hereditary

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List of Yeomiahs payable in the District of Tanjore as they stood on the 1st July 1855 Fusly 1265.

Number on Collector's Register.	Name of the present incumbent.	Present age.	Amount of Yeomiah per Annum. Rs a P	When and by whom granted.	Name of Original grantee.	Relationship of present incumbent to original grantee.	Whether held under Sicca Sunnud or otherwise.	Conditions of grant.	Present incumbent's title.	Date of last order of Government regarding grant.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12.
Tanjore Yeomiah 42.	Ramasawmy Dasary	35	27 1 .	By Vejayaragha Naick date not known . . .	Krishna dasary.	Unknown.	Under a Sicca Sunnud alleged to be in the pla	For holding and supplying Bamboo Charum during th	Relationship and Service to the	Government Sanction conveyed in a	

										the Sheristadar at Deputy from generation to generation.	former pensioner	letter dated 6th April 1852.		
Do. 46	Vencataramiah	58	55	55	By Rajah Yaicojee 1676	Sheristadar	Great Grand Son.	Under a Sicca Sunnud and Duftar	For practising physic Sicca Sunnud directs continuance year by year.	Relationship and Service.	Do.			
Do. 69	For 13 Brahmins attached to the Peroojual pagoda at Papana Isem	"	67	82	Do.	Pagoda	"	Under Sicca Sunnud.	For preaching the Verdas	Service	Do.	The Sicca Sunnud produced in these cases was unintelligible but there is no doubt that these yeomiahs were granted for performing the Services mentioned in Col. 9 and they are still performed.		
Do. 70	Six individuals attached to the same pagoda	190	13	10	Do.	Do.	"	Do.	For Managing the affairs of the Pagoda	Do.	Do.			
Do. 71	26 individual the attached to the same pagoda	28	6	42	Do.	Do.	"	Do.	For dancing and Music.	Do.	Do.			
Do. 72.	Certain persons attached to the same pagoda	82	1		Do.	Do.	"	Do.	For Service as barers.	Do.	Do.			
Service of Yeomiahs hereditary	Raja maha em 18	Sanairy peroo maparyen	50	5	76	By Tolajara jah date unknown.	Sanairy peroom paryen.	Grand Son.	No document	For performing certain Service in the pagoda at Srivalore	Relationship and Service.	Vide Remarks contained in the list No. 2 submitted to Board on the 26th January 1837.		
Do. 19	Do.		35	"	"	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Relationship.	Do.		
Do. 20	Do.		8	3	3	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.			

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Dº 21	Vencabagosay	17	13	14	By Salajarah Balaji Josavy in the year 1776.	Great Grand Son.	Under a duffler rocca.	For the Support of a Mutt and performing certain Services The grant directs continuance year by year.	Relation-ship	Orders contained in a letter dated 25th July 1853.
Dº 26	Kristna Iyengar	62	43	12	By Rajah Sahaje Iyan date-nien not known-gar.	Grand Son	This and the following 7 yeomiahs are held under one Sicca Sunnad alleged to be in force for the palace compiling almanacs.	This and the following yeomiahs were granted	Relationship and Service	Orders contained in a letter dated 2d January 1849
Dº 27	Chendrasaikara-josy	31	43	12	By Toobzara-jah date Unknown	Chendra Saikara Son josy.	"	"	"	Vide remark contained in a list submitted to the Board on the 26th January 1837.
Dº 28	Soobbajosy	39	65	10	Dº	Venkatasa-josy.	Dº	"	"	Dº Orders contained in a letter dated 2d January 1849.
Dº 29	Soobbammaul	37	65	10	Dº	Muttirja Yogosy	widow of the great Grand son of the grantee	"	"	Dº Dº in a letter dated 26th September 1848.

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Services of Yeomiahs hereditary

D.o 30	Rooddrajosy	42	6	5	10	By Joolzara jah date unknown	Trim-baka josey	Great Grand Son	"	"	Do	Orders continued in a letter dated 26th September 1848.
Do 31	Atmaramajosy	26	6	5	10	Do	Gopaul josy	Great Great Grand Son	"	"	Do	
Do 33	Amunthajosy	47	4	3	12	Do	Soobba josy	Grand Son	"	"	Do	Orders under date the 2d January 1849. Vide remark contained in a list submitted to Board on the 28th January 1837.
Do 34	Bala Ristnajosy	61	4	3	12	Do	Bala-Ristna josy		"	"	Do	

Assistance yeomiahs hereditary

Total 18. 132 6 8 4

Assistance yeomiahs for life.

Rajah yeomiah 39.	Punchapakaisa	44	3	9	6	By Rajah Pretapsing in 1752.	Puncha-pa Kaisa	Great Grand Son	Under two Duffer rocca	To be continued-ship year by year.	Relation	Vide remarks contained in a list submitted to Board on the 26th January 1837.
Ayacut yeomiah 6.	Bahvachary	76	15	11	10	By Joolzara jah in 1776.	Dada charry	Brothers grand son.	Under a duffer rocca.	Do	Do	Orders dated 6th April 1852	In the Certificate of this man the yeomiah is entered as for life but in the grant it is stated that it is to be continued year by year.
Do 7	Babacharay	76	18	11	11	By Rajah Pretapsing in 1752.	Streene vass bhat	Grand son	Do	Do	Do	Do	The certificates of these persons state the yeomiah to be for life but the grants held by them direct
Do 8	Do		9	4		Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	
Do 58	Sudinarayenabhut	57	11	5	3	By amersing in 1789.	Soonde rabhut	Son.	Do	Do	Do	Do	

D° 59	Narrain Sastry	80	26	10	5	By Toolza-rajah in 1776.	Bilvar-chana Siven	Great Grand Son.	Do.	Do.	Do. Do.	direct their continuance year by year.
D° 40	Soondera Sastry	56	21	12	6	By Rajah Amersing in 1793	Ramal-Aya Sastry	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do. Do.	
D° 55	Ramadeetchit	70	24	12	4	By Toolzarajah in 1776.	Rama Sastry	Grand Son.	Do.	Do.	Do. Do.	
D° 1	Sectarama Sastry	83	16	4	2	By Rajah Pretapsing on date un-known.	Sama Sastry	Son	To grant	For profis-ciency in the Sastras and Vadas	Do.	Do.
D° 4	Soobbabhut	78	6	14	3	Do.	Soobba bhut	Grand Son	Do.	For studying the Sas-tras.	Do.	Do.
D° 5	Saishabut	66	23	10	5	By Talaza rajah date not known	Saisha bhut	Do.	Do.	For pro-ficiency in the Sastras.	Do.	Do.
D° 9	Gopaul Deetchect	69	3	7	3	Not known	Triemb Deetchet	Do.	Do.	Unknown	Do.	Do.
D° 13	Anuntanarraina Sastry	64	14	4	8	By Rajah Pretapsing date unknown.	Anun-tanar-raina Sastry	Do.	Do.	For Teaching the Sastras	Do.	Do.
D° 14	Sashiengar	69	11	9	3	Not known	Kristna-jaya	Do.	Do.	Not known	Do.	Do.
D° 15	Ramasastry	71	6	14	11	By Rajah Pretapsing about a century ago.	Rootti-sastry	Do.	Do.	In study-ing the Sastras.	Do.	Do.

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Do 16	Sashaidry Deetchitd	62	6	13	By Rajah Sivajee about a Century ago.	Swaminathoo deetchitd	Great grand Son	Do	For performing certain religious ceremonies.	Do	Do
Do 17	Veeroopatchy Deetchitd	69	4	14	9 Granted at about 150 years ago by the Dutch Government.	Vaida Vadiyar.	Son	Do	Do	Do	Do
Do 18	Sununtanaraena Sastry	66	10	15	10 Not known	Rugoonath Sastry	Grand Son	Do	Not known	Do	Do
Do 19	Ramasastry	76	24	14	3 Do	Eshorra Sastry	Son	Do	Do	Do	Do
Do 20	Samacharay	63	3	9	5 Do	Vencata Ristna	Grand Son	Do	Do	Do	Do

Pensions for life. (Contd)

Subsistence

						Charay.					
Do 21	Ramanoojaingar	59	2	14	7 Do	Appamiengar	Great Grand Son	Do	Do	Do	Do
Do 22	Do		2	12	1 Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do
Do 23	Vydelingaswan	67	5	1	8 By Rajah Pretapsing late unknown	Apadapanasinam	Grand Son.	Do	For making daily 108 Lingums /or images/ of Seva and performing poojah to them.	Do	Do
Do 24	Streenevasachar-ray	66	9	15	8 By Toolazarajah about 130 years ago.	Streenevasa charay.	Great Grand Son.	Do	For reading Pooranas	Do	Do

Dc 33	Decte hepadeetchit	52	25	93	Not Known	Servagoody Brammana vastoo	Son	Dc	Not Known	D	Dc	This Yeomiah was originally as Rupees 76-11-9 and was equally divided between the 3 Sons of the original holder, The share of two of them having lapsed by their death the remaining share is held by Decte hepadeetchit.
Dc 34	Narrainadeetchit	52	2	157	Dc	Yegga narraen datchit	Grand Son	Dc	Dc	Dc	Dc	
Dc 35	Dc	"	"	13	Dc	Dc	Dc	Dc	Dc	Dc	Dc	
Dc 37	Contnamaal	74	31	11 8	By Toolja jie Rajah Late unKnown	Rama Sastry	Daughter in law	Dc	For proficiency in the Sastras	Dc	Dc	
Dc 38	Aghora Sastry	63	2	4	Dc	Aghora vadyar	Grand Son	Dc	Not known	Dc	Dc	
Dc 39	Saithoocharay	74	6	11 2	By Toolja rajah in 1776.	Chikra charay	Son	Under dufter rocca.	Dc	Dc	Dc	The certificate held by this man states the Yeomiah to be for life but the grant in his possession directs its continuance year by year.
Dc 43	Streenevasiengar	67	31	118	By Dc about 70 years ago.	Perya iengar	Great Grand Son	No grant	Dc	Dc	Dc	
Dc 48	Soobbaramah	56	13	105	By Toolja rajah about 150 years ago.	Ragoo matha Iya butwarty	Son	Dc	Dc	Dc	Dc	
Dc 49	Venkatakistna Sastry	69	4	73	By Rajah Sahajee Late unKnown.	Sami Sastry	Grand Son	Dc	Dc	Dc	Dc	

Sub Sistence grievable

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Do 51	Punchanadapun=-darum	64	12	6	3	By Rajah Thoockoji date Unknown	Saina-paty punda-puru.	Do	Do	For skill in astro-logy.	Do	Do
Do 52	Do	"	12	5	10	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do
Do 56	Ramadeetchit	70	9	"	4	By Rajah Soolgajee date Unknown	Rama deetchit	Do	Do	For reading the Sastras	Do	Do
Do 57	Do	70	2	12	10	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do
Do 53	Venca tanarainsasi-try	65	14	1	5	Do about a century ago	Sasha-dry Sastry	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do
Do 61	Kristmingar	86	12	4	7	Do	Jeer	Great Grand Son	Do	Do	Do	Do
Do 95	Ramalabayee	54	10	15	3	Not known	Saiska bhat.	Grand Sons widow	Do	Do	Do	Do

This yeomiah was originally No 21-14-1 and was divided between two heirs one of whom dying half lapsed to Government and the other is held by the woman (Ramalabayee)

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Do 68.	Bauboosastry	75	3	6	5	By Toolzarajah date unknown	Iya-chet	Grand son	Do	For Keeping a holy fire	Do	Do
Do 101	Goondachary	72	23	6	7	Do	Koopa-pacha-ray.	Do	Do	For Studying the Sastras.	Do	Do
Do 102	Do		7	4	3	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do
Do 64	Roopiah	68	2	14	2	Granted about two centuries ago donor unknown	Payrish	Do	Do	Unknown	Do	Do
Do 65	Do		1	11	1	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do
Do 66	Do		1	7	8	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do
Rajagesh wishi	Soobbasastry	62	17	8	"	Unknown	Krishna Sastry	Son	No grant	Do	Do	Vide remarks contained in a list Submitted to Board on the 26th January 1837.-

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Do 2	Ammaneeammal	63	4	6	By Rajah Sahajee unknown	Shada date gopiem -gar	Grand sons widow	Do	For proficiency in the Sastras	Do	Do
Do 3	Seethummaul	63	13	2	Do	Narraina charay	Daughter in -law	Do	Do	Do	Do
Do 4	Rungacharay	66	26	4	By Rajah Pretapsing date unknown	Stree nevasa charay	Grand Son	Do	Do	Do	Do
Do 5	Do	"	4	6	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do
Do 6	Ramasastry	69	17	8	Unknown	Venkata Soobba Sastry	Sisters Son.	Do	Do	Do	Do
Do 7	Sattcharay	69	17	8	Either by Rajah Toolajee or or Pretap -singjee.	Tota charay	Grand Son.	Do	For prosecuting the Study of the Sastras	Do	Do
Do 8	Narrainbhut	69	8	12	By Rajah Sahajee date Unknown	Narrain bhut		Do	Do	Do	Do
Do 9	Narrainsastry	58	26	4	By Rajah Pretapsing date unknown	Kristna bhut		Do	Do	Do	Do
Do 10	Govindacharay	61	8	12	Not known	Govinda charay		Do	Do	Do	Do
Do 11	Kistna Sastry	75	40	6	By Rajah Pretapsing date Un -known	Raga -va Sastry		Do	Do	Do	Do
Do 12	Rungana tha charay	60	17	8	About a century ago donor unknown	Runga natha charay.		Do	Do	Unknown	Do	Do

Narrainacharay.

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Do. 14	Narraincharay	74	4	6	"	By Foolza-raja about 75 years ago	Stre-nevasa charay	Do.	Do.	For studying the Sastras	Do.	Do.
Do. 16	Sorbbramonea Sastry	370	4	15	4	Unknown	Moo-daya Sastry	Grand Son	Do.	Unknown	Relation-ship.	Do.
Do. 17	Soobbammaul	55	10	8	"	By Dutch Government at an unknown date	Viswa-natha Sastry	Daughter in-law	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.
Do. 24	Appasastry	70	13	2	"	Either by Rajah Fool-jajee or Pretapsing	Appa Sastry	Grand Son	Do.	For studying the sastras	Do.	Do.
Do. 25	Kristnacharay	59	13	2	"	Unknown	Narrain charay	Great Grand Son	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.
Do. 32	Sashadry-saistry	77	26	4	"	Either by Foolja-rajah or Pretapsing	Trimala Sastry	Grand Son	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.
Do. 35	Goondacharay	75	13	2	"	By Rajah Kmaersing date unknown	Bheema-raya charay	Grand Son	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.
Do. 36	Baupoo Sastry	75	21	14	"	By Rajah Fool-Gajee Brah date unknown	Jyachit-men		Do.	Do.	For keeping a holy fire	Do.	Do.
Do. 40	Ammayasastry	32	30	"	"	By Sherfojee Rajah in 1800.	Kau-lanee rabha gavut	Great Grand Son	Held under a Sicca Sunnud.	To be continued year by year	Do.	Orders dated 6th January 1854	The original yeomiah was 45-3-4 and was reduced to the present amount under the orders of Government noted in Col 11.-

Subsistence yeomiahs

Do. continued

Subsistence Memorials for life contd.

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Rajah Yeomiah 3	Iyanaiah	69	64	13	By Tooljarajah late Unknown	Kautana ratho gavat	Great Grand Son	No document	For Keeping watch in 42 Villages in the Trivalore Talook.	Do	Do Do 15th May 1819
Do 5	Appovandiyen	51	56	5	Unknown	Bazamai shera cum.	Grand Son	Do	For Keeping watch in certain Villages	Do	Do
Total		69	1065	31							
Rajah Yeomiah 22	Mahomedshaw jakeer.	71	328	8	By Rajah Tooljajee about the year 1777	Bahader shajakeer	Grand Son	Held under a Dustoor Puccah	For the support & Tecktal to be continued hereditarily.	Relationship & service.	Vide remarks contained in the list submitted to the Board on the 26th January 1837.
Sayad Yeomiah 41	Mahomedally shaw	47	182	5	Do Do in 1776	For a Mosque gratis name unknown.	Do	Do	Do to be continued year by year.	Do	Orders dated 6th April 1852.
Total		2	701	05							
Grand Total		89	2462	510							

Charitable grants Hereditary

In cases where the grants were not forthcoming the particulars as to when and by whom granted "have been entered in Col 5 according to the Statements given by the parties. All relationships have been entered as they stand in the Collectors Register.

Tanjore
14th February 1856

(Signed) A. Forbes
Collector.

Abstract

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Fort Saint George 6th March 1826.

(161.)

Rt. No. 764.

From the Collector of North Arcot.

To

G. L. Forbes Esquire
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George.

Sir,

I have the honor with reference to your letter of the 1st Instant to state, I have been for some time past employed in the preparation of a set of revised rates for the Northern Talooks of this District, which I hope to submit for the consideration of the Board in the course of a fortnight.

2. As the additional establishment is only sanctioned for a period of two years, and as the present rates in the Talooks South of Palaur are much more complicated and from this and other causes the revision of the Assessment of that part of the District will not be attended with the same facility as in the Northern Talooks, I have considered it proper to defer, as long as possible, the entertainment of the additional Establishment.

3. The rates about to be recommended for adoption in the Northern Talooks, will most probably be found applicable to the Southern Talooks - but I should deem it very

inadvisable

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Abstract List of Yeomiahs in the District of Tavoy country and on the 1st July 1855 - Fusly 1265:-

	Service				Subsistence				
	No.	hereditary	Life	hereditary	Life				
1	2		3		4		5		
		Rs a p	No.	Rs a p	No.	Rs a p	No.	Rs a p	
Yeomiahs payable at first assumption of the country	18,132	6 84	"	" " "	8	267	67 2534	30,074	56
Deduct lapses up to Fusly 1264	"	" "	"	" " "	"	"	2288	26,762	126
Remainder	18,132	6 84	"	" " "	8	267	67 246	3,312	3 "
Deduct yeomiahs not paid	"	" "	"	" " "	"	"	" " "	185	2,614 66
Remainder as per the accompanying list	18,132	6 84	"	" " "	8	267	67 61	797	126

In the certificates of eight of these yeomiahs they are entered as for life but the grants held direct therein continuance year by year.

For 1st year of George 6th

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Abstract of Yeomiahs Family Roll

No.	Name	Age	Relationship	Remarks
1	Saul Syanaid	69		
2	Hlaing	64	Son	
3	Ah Yeo	13	Grandson	
4	Ah Yeo	5	Grandson	
5	Ah Yeo	1	Grandson	
	Total	152		

Bajah Mahomed Shah — 71 32 8 — By Bajah Bahadur Sooljaje, a boat-sha the year 1777 Fusly

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Yeomiahs

For the Relation ship of the Relation under a Deputation to be continued hereditarily.

Do.

Do.

Do.

Do.

For Receiving water in 42 Villages in the Tenasserim Province

Do. Do. 16th May 1819

For Receiving water in certain Villages

Do.

Do.

Do.

Do.

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ires as they stood at first assumption of the

Charitable		Particulars									
		Total									
hereditary	Life		hereditary		Life						
6	7		8		9			10		11	
No	Rs	a/c	No	Rs	a/c	No	Rs	a/c	No	Rs	a/c
2	70	105				2562	31739	810	28	1664	94	2534	30074	156
"	"	"	"	"	"	2288	26762	126	"	"	"	2288	26762	126
2	70	105	"	"	"	274	4976	124	28	1664	94	246	3312	3
"	"	"	"	"	"	185	2514	66	"	"	"	185	2514	66
2	70	105	"	"	"	89	2462	510	28	1664	94	61	797	126

Tanjore 14th February 1856 } Signed A. Forbes Collector.

F.F.B.

3822 Fort Saint George 6th March 1856.

(161.)

To G. S. Forbes Esquire
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George.

Rt. No 766.
From the Collector of North Arcot. } Sir,

I have the honor with reference to your letter of the 1st Instant to state, I have been for some time past employed in the preparation of a set of revised rates for the Northern Talooks of this District, which I hope to submit for the consideration of the Board in the course of a fortnight.

2. As the additional establishment is only sanctioned for a period of two years, and as the present rates in the Talooks South of Palaur are much more complicated and from this and other causes the revision of the Assessment of that part of the District will not be attended with the same facility as in the Northern Talooks, I have considered it proper to defer, as long as possible, the entertainment of the additional Establishment.

3. The rates about to be recommended for adoption in the Northern Talooks, will most probably be found applicable to the Southern Talooks - but I should deem it very

inadvisable

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unadvisable to delay their introduction into the Northern Talooks till their applicability to the Southern Talooks be ascertained which must cause considerable delay.

North Arcot Collectors Cutcherry Chittoor &c. March 1850.

/Signed/ C. Whittingham Collector.

Ordered to be submitted with the following letter.

To The Secretary to Government Revenue Department

(161-162)

B. B. No. 701.

To the Secretary to Government.

Sir. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to submit for the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying letter from the Collector of North Arcot dated 2d Instant.

Dup. 6th March 1850. 762.

2. The Board have called on Mr. Whittingham to state when he would be prepared to commence the revision of the Assessment and to avail himself of the services of an additional Sub Collector the above letter is his reply intimating that although at present engaged in Collecting the information

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necessary to prepare his plans, he is not anxious for the immediate appointment of a 2d Sub Collector.

3. The Board do not desire to press this question which the Collector considers it may still be postponed, but their own opinion is that the current work of the District should be efficiently provided for, while the time and attention of the Collector is devoted to the revision.

4. I am directed therefore to submit the letter without further comment for the orders of Government.

Revenue Board Office Fort A Saint George 6th March 1850.

/Signed/ G. S. Forbes Secretary.

(163.)

B. B. No. 701.

From the Collector of South Arcot.

To G. S. Forbes Esquire Secretary to the Board of Revenue Fort Saint George.

Sir. In reply to the Call for information contained in Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated

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dated 26th Ultimo No 568, I have the
honor to state that 134 out of 154 villages
in the Chellumbrum Talook are quite
ready for Survey by Captain Priestley.—
There are boundary disputes in the out-
of the 20 remaining Villages between the —
inhabitants and those of the adjoining Villages
in the Tanjore District which I trust
will be also shortly adjusted, as Mr Cockell,
the Sub Collector of the latter District has
arranged to meet Mr Bambury, my head
Assistant, on the 11th Instant in view
to settling some of them. The boundaries
of the other six will be defined —
immediately.—

2 Unfortunately, the
Settlement of this Talook has
been delayed by unforeseen
circumstances, but I see nothing
to prevent Captain Priestley
from commencing his operations

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in it about the 25th Instant.—

South Arcot
Collectors Cutcherry
Cuddalore
3d March 1836.

} Signed A. Hall
Collector

Bd Apr 2.
Order thereon
(168-164)

Ordered to be communicated to
Captain Priestley through the Collector
of Trichinopoly. The Board are desirous
that no time should be lost in proceed-
ing with the Survey of the Chellumbrum
and Mummargoody Talooks.—

Received the undermentioned
Miscellaneous letters and Statements.

(165)
My No 595.
From the Acting Collector of Guntoor — Statement of
contingent charges not exceeding 20 Rupees
each incurred in the 3d Quarter from 1st
November 1835 to 31st January 1836.

(166)
My No 596.
From the Collector of Chingleput — Returns of Persons
charged with offences under Regulations
IX of 1822 for January 1836.

(167)
My No 597.
From the Collector of Ganjam. Statement shewing
the quantity of Salt in store available
for

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My A. 591.

for exportation to Calcutta on the 16th of February 1856.

From the Collector of North Arcot. Rain report for January 1856.

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My A. 593

From the Collector of Salem. Register of Petitions for the month of January 1856.

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My A. 594.

From the Collector of Salem. Acknowledging the receipt of 100 copies of Prize lists

171
My A. 590.

From the Collector of South Arcot. Reports that no Exports or Imports of Bullion and specie have taken place during the past month.

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My A. 592

From the Collector of Canara. Informing us that the Salt Statements called for in the Board's Letter No. 240 have all been already sent with the Extra Revenue Reports for July 1854.

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No. 54

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Friday the 7th March 1856.

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From the Secretary to Government No. 736

No. 242

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 1st March 1856.

Read the following letter from the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works.

No. 894

To the Secretary to Government

Sir,

Public Works Department

Enclosure 1

1 I do myself the honor to submit a letter from the Collector of Bellary No. 27 of the 31st January 1856 on the subject of Extract Minutes Consultation No. 586 of 20th September 1855 giving that Gentlemans opinion as to the desirableness of converting the late Moonsiffs Court of Cottoor into a Choultry for the use of Travellers.

2 The building is so situated that no one will purchase it for private use. It can be rendered fit for the proposed purpose

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purpose at a cost of 50 Rupees. There is no place of shelter now at Cattoor for any Traveller except those of one caste while at times it is said that 2000 Pilgrims resort there, this seem reason sufficient for appropriating the building as proposed by Mr. Pelly, and Shape his suggestion may be adopted.-

General Office of
Public Works
Fort St. George
11th February 1856

(Signed) C. E. Faber. Colonel
Chief Engineer D. P. W.

(True Copy)
(Signed) J. D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government

Encl. No. 1.

No. 27

To Colonel C. E. Faber
Chief Engineer D. P. W.
Madras

Sir,

Adverting to the Extract from the Minutes of Consultation dated 20th September last No. 566 I have the honor to inform you, that the Village of Cattoor is a halting place for travellers proceeding on pilgrimage to Tirooputy from Darwar and other places, and for traders from the Western Coast towards Bellary, and especially during the

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months of September and October the pilgrims proceeding to Tirooputy are re=ported to number from about 1000 to 2000. persons a Pagoda situated near the Court house which is not in good repair has been the general place of shelter.-

The building being situated at the end of the Village near the Road may private parties are not willing to purchase it either for a Choultry or a Shop or more house or other purpose, and of it be ap=propriated as a Choultry, an outlay of Rupees 50 is required for adding Doors &c to the inner Rooms, a Sweeper on a salary of 2 Rupees per mensem will also be required.

There are no Choultries in the Villages Contiguous to Cattoor with the exception of one, maintained under a grant of Government at Kumpsungur, on the Darwar Road, which is 20 miles from Cattoor. There are however 25 Jungum Mutts in Cattoor available for the people of the Lingayet Caste.

Should the Government not think it expedient to appropriate this Building of a Public Choultry I have the ho=nor

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honor to request instructions for its disposal.-

I deferred replying to your letter until I had caused further enquiry to be made while I was engaged in the neighbourhood of Cattoor in Jamabundy business.-

Bellary Collector's Office
On Circuit at Koodlighee
31st January 1856

(Signed) C. Pelly
Collector

/True Copy/
/Signed/ C.E. Faber Colonel
Chief Engineer in the D. P. W.
/True Copy/
(Signed) I. D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government

Encl No 2
No 566.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Public Works Department Under date the 20th September 1855.

Read the following letter

No 924

To I. D. Bourdillon Esqre
Secretary to Government P.W.D.

Sir,

1 Application! The Government having sanctioned by Minutes of Consultation dated 25th January 1855

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1855 No 71 an Estimate amounting to Rupees /1611-4-10/ One thousand Six hundred and Eleven annas four and Pice ten for the construction of a new Moonsiffs Court House at Narramdawara Kerry, I have the honor to inform you that the building lately completed at Cottoor in the Bellary district on an occasional Estimate sanctioned by Government on the 23d April 1850 is no longer required, the Moonsiff having been transferred to the new Court House at Narramdawara Kerry.-

2 The Collector suggests that the Building should be used as a Choultry for Travellers for which purpose it may be adopted by an outlay of (20) Rupees Twenty, and he asks in addition for a Sweeper at a Monthly Salary of Rupees 2½ two and a half the usual tabular Statement for which is now transmitted.-

3 I have the honor to submit these propositions with my favorable recommendation for sanction.-

Chief Engrs Office D.P.W.
Fort St. George
14th September 1855

(Signed) C.E. Faber Lt. Coll of Engineers
Chief Engineer in the D.P.W.
Before

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but he will nevertheless give up the Building on the terms above stated if any party shall be found willing to take it on those conditions, and who shall be considered by the Collector as one who may be trusted to fulfil them. If no such party or parties should be forthcoming at the end of three months from the Collectors receipt of this order the Building should be sold for what it will fetch, it may either be sold as it stands if bidders shall be found or it may be pulled down and materials sold.

From the Chief Engr
D. P. W. 14th Septr 1855
No. 924
Exc Mins Consn:
29th Septr 1855 No. 516

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector through the Board of Revenue as the proper Channel in matters affecting Chuttrums. a copy of the former correspondence will also be furnished to the Board. Ordered also that a copy of this order be communicated to the Chief Engineer for his information.

/ A true Extract /
/ Signed / J. D. Baurdillon
Secretary to Government

(173-174)
Bd No. 720
Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Bellary for information and guidance.

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(175)
Bd No. 738
From the Secretary to Government.

Revenue Department
No. 240

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 1st March 1856.

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Here enter 31st January 1856 No. 305)

1 Resolved that application be made to the Government of India for the increase of Establishment recommended to the Police Establishment of Ramandroog in the District of Bellary, omitting the Saderwared allowance which will be ordered by this Government so far as may seem necessary in the event of the Establishment being sanctioned, when the Collectors proposal to supply the peons triennially with a great coat each, will also be taken into consideration

2 The amount of Saderwared asked for is 7 Rupees a month. This seems a large allowance for a Police Ameens Cutcherry, and the Board are requested both to compare the sums allowed for the same purpose to other officers of that class and also

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also to ascertain and consider the component items of the sums asked for in the present case - They will also ascertain and report from what quarter the Police Ameen now received Sa: derwared and how much..

/ A true Extract /
/ Signed / J. D Bourdillon
Secretary to Government

(175-176)
Bd. No. 719
Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Bellary for information and guidance..

Revenue Department

No. 244

From the Secretary to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Under date the 3d March 1856.

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue Submitting a letter from the Collector of Sea Customs and supporting his proposal for fixing a Tariff Duty of 45 Rupees per 1000 Square feet on all Pine Boards — whence soever imported.. } (Here enter 18th February 1856 No. 456)

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council approves of the proposal of the Collector of Sea Customs and

of

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of the Board of Revenue to place all Pine Boards from whatever place imported, on the same footing as those from America in regard to valuation, and in order to this he directs that the word "American" be omitted from that article of the Tariff..

A true Extract)
(Signed) J. D Bourdillon
Secretary to Government

(177-178)
Bd. No. 715
Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to all Collectors of Sea Customs for information and guidance..

Public Department

(179)
After
Bd. No. 749
From the Secretary to Government }

Memorandum

The Chief Secretary has the honor to request that the Secretary to the Board of Revenue will submit the Tabular Statement called for in the Memorandum from this office of the 14th ultimo for the entertainment of an extra writer for the Establishment of the Collector of Madras.-

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/ Signed / T. Pycroft
Chief Secretary

(179-180.)
Bd. No. 704
To the Chief Sec. to Government - }

Ordered that the following Official Memo be sent in reply:

Memorandum

The Secretary to the Board of

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of Revenue has the honor to inform the Chief Secretary that the form has not yet been received from the Collector of Madras, who has been requested to submit with despatch.-

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(Signed) G. L. Forbes
Secretary.

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Bd. No. 793
From the Secretary to Government.

Revenue Department
No. 257

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 5th March 1856.

Read again letter from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue dated 21st and recorded in Diary to Consultation 26th February 1856 No. 200.

Read also the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.-

Submitting for the information of Government a letter from the Government Pleader on the sufficiency of the draft answer to be filed in Original Suit No. 1 of 1856 of the Madura Sub Court's file.- (Herewith 3d. March 1856 No. 857)

Under the opinion expressed

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by the Government Pleader, the Government approve of the draft answer proposed to be put in by the Collector of Madura to the suit filed against him in the Civil Court by Verakoo Ummall for the recovery of the Errachakanaikanoor Pollicum with the amendments suggested by the Board of Revenue.-

(A true Extract)
(Signed) J. D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government

Ordered to be communicated with the paper entered in the margin to the Collector of Madura for his information and guidance.-

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Bd. No. 723
Order thereon
To Govt 21st Feby 1856
Modified draft answer
From Government Pleader
29th February 1856

Read again letter from the Collector of Cuddapah dated 29th January and entered in Consultation 4th June 1856.-

Ordered that the following letter be sent.-

To the Collector of
Cuddapah

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Bd. No. 712
To the Collector of Cuddapah

Sir,

The Board have had under consideration the proposals for

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for reducing the assessment on garden lands, submitted with your letter of the 29th January 1855.

In Cons 4th June 1855 N: 352

2 The Statements which accompany your letter supply full details of information, for the lands which you have selected as requiring a reduction of assessment, it is however the wish of the Board to consider the circumstances and condition of the whole of the garden lands throughout the district and until these particulars are before them no steps can be taken to introduce lower rates in a limited number of Villages.

3 This information you are requested to furnish as early as you may find possible owing to the long delay which has unavoidably occurred in the consideration of this question.-

4 It will not be necessary to enter with the details of every Village as has been done in the two Statements

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Statements which accompany your letter under reply. The Board will find sufficient information in a Statement drawn up in the accompanying form:-

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5 The rate of assessment per acre and in the aggregate should be uniformly stated in Rupees, the use of Conteroy Pagodas and Fanams in your Statements being found inconvenient.-

6. The Board wish at the same time to receive a table of the Poonjah rates and to know which of them have been particularly chosen by the Ryots for improvement by means of wells the stable garden produce should also be mentioned in your Statement and the markets which they find.-

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(Signed) G. S. Forbes
Secretary
Garden

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No. 1939 Read the following Papers

To

The Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

(184)

Bd. No. 3696

From the Post Master General, Madras.

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt on the 18th Instant of your letter bearing date the 13th Idem No. 3,338.

In reply I beg to state for the information of the Revenue Board that it is impossible for this Department to make any reduction in its Establishment and that of the two methods proposed in the 5th Para that best adapted for the Postal Department will be to pay at a fixed rate for the work required.

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Post Master Genl's Office
20th December 1855.

/ Signed / P. A. Williamson
Post Master General.

Extract

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/ Signed / J. S. Fisher
Secretary

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Garden Lands

Salaries of Vacant Do. Do. Higher Rangiah
Acres in of the Talaries Allowances Sale of the
Do. Mts. Purchased in cases of Talaries
under each Sale

Do. Do. Do.

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No. 3799

To

The Secretary Board of Revenue

Sir.

B. No. 3703.

From Major E. Lawford Deputy chief Engineer Department Public works.

Stating with reference to Board's letter of the 13th Instant that until the new system of Public works is fully established, no general estimate can be formed of the extent to which the District Printing Presses can be made available in his Department.

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 13th Instant No. 3338, I am directed by the chief Engineer to state that until the new System of Public Works is fully Established no general Estimate can be formed of the extent to which the District Printing Presses can be made available in this Department.

The only Districts in which presses can at present be of much use are those in which the executive duties have been transferred to the Engineer Officers, but even these have as yet no fixed establishments, and the attempt therefore to lay down general rates of contribution must for the present be considered altogether premature.

Central Office of Public Works.
Fort St. George,
21st December 1855.

Signed E. Lawford
Deputy Chief Engineer

For

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No. 342.

To

The Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

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B. No. 7

From the Director of Public Instruction

Stating that the only Presses which are at present applied to Educational purposes are those at Rajahmundry and Cuddalore and that as other Presses are to be purchased for the use of his Department to be placed in Madras in lieu of those which are to be transferred for the use of the District the Collectorate Presses will be but little used by the Educational Department.

Sir.

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I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter under date the 13th Instant.

2. The only printing presses belonging to Government in the Provinces, which are at present applied to Educational purposes are those at Rajahmundry and Cuddalore. The former it will be observed from the annexed correspondence will shortly be transferred to one of the smaller Districts for use as a Collectorate Press. The press which is to be purchased in it's stead for the Education department is to be placed in Madras, and I am about to recommend that the Press at Cuddalore be transferred to the charge of the Collector and that in it's stead a second press be purchased for my department to be also placed in Madras.

3. Under these circumstances the

Collectorate

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Collectorate Presses will be but little used by the Educational Department, and such Miscellaneous work as may be occasionally sent to them should I think be charged to the Officer making use of the press.

Office of Director of Public Instruction, 26th December 1855.

/Signed/ A. J. Arbuthnot
Director of Public Instruction

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 22nd ultimo No. 1490 calling upon me to state whether the Press recently purchased from Mr. Taylor will be required for Educational purposes.

2. In my letter of the 9th August last submitting detailed Statements of the Establishments required for the Educational department, I recommended the Establishment of a printing press to be attached to the Provincial school at

Rajahmundry

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Rajahmundry - It was my intention to propose in the event of the measure being sanctioned that so long as Mr. Taylor might remain in the Rajahmundry District the press should be placed under his charge, in the event of his being willing to take charge of it, and that on his departure it should be transferred to the Provincial School. I anticipated however the purchase of a press of a some-what superior description to that which has been purchased by Mr. Taylor.

3. On further consideration I am disposed to think that any press or presses that may be required for the Educational department may be more advantageously and more economically worked at Madras than at any station in the provinces, and I would therefore recommend that in the event of the necessary establishment being sanctioned by the Government of India, a Press should be procured from America similar to those which have been ordered for

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some of the Collectorates, and that pending it's arrival that purchased from Mr. Taylor should be retained under his charge at Nursapoor and employed in printing Educational works. On the arrival of the new press that purchased by Mr. Taylor might be transferred to one of the smaller Districts as suggested by the Board of Revenue.

Office of Director of Public Instruction, 7th December 1855 } /Signed/ A. J. Arbuthnot Director of Public Instruction.

No. 1580.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, Dated 15th December 1855.

Read the following letter from the Director of Public Instruction.

/Here enter 7th December 1855/

The Director of Public Instruction thinks that any Press or Presses that may be required for the Educational Department may be more advantageously and more economically worked at Madras than in the provinces, and he would prefer one somewhat superior to that

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which has been recently purchased by Government from Mr. Taylor.

2. The Right Honorable the Governor in Council accordingly authorizes Mr. Arbuthnot in the event of the necessary Establishment (as applied for under date the 8th September last) being sanctioned by the Government of India to procure from America a Press of the description recommended by him

Statement No. 7 received with the Directors letter of 9th August 1855.

3. Pending its arrival Mr. Taylor will be requested to be good enough to retain charge of the Press obtained from him

and

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and employ it in printing
Educational works, and this Press
will on the arrival of the new
one be transferred, according
to the suggestion of the Board
of Revenue, to one of the
smaller Districts.

/True Extract/
/Signed/ T. Pycroft
Chief Secretary.

/True Copies/

/Signed/ A. J. Arbuthnot
Director of Public Instruction

To

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To

G. S. Forbes Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.

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Bd. No. 50
From the Register to the Court of Sudr Udaulut
Forwarding Copy of a letter addressed by the Suder Court to Government on the reduction of the Establishments of the Zillah and Sub Courts consequent on the introductive of Printing Presses in the Collectors Cutcherries and stating that there appears no such reduction practicable as suggested in Para 4 of the Board's letter of the 13th Ultimo.

Sir.

I have the honor by direction of the Judges of the Court of Suder Udawlut to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th Ultimo, requesting to be favored with the opinion of the Judges as to the best mode of meeting the wishes of Government with regard to some reduction being effected in the several Judicial Establishments for the maintenance of Printing Presses which are to be set up in the Collector's Cutcheries in the Districts specified in your letter.

2. In forwarding for the information of the Board of Revenue copy of a letter addressed by this Court to Government on the subject of the reduction of the Establishments of the Zillah and subordinate Courts, consequent upon the introduction of printing

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Printing Presses in the Collectors Cutcherries. I am desired to state that there appears no such reduction practicable as suggested in Para 4 of your letter under reply.

Sudder Adawlut Registers Office. 2nd January 1856 } [S.] G. Ellis Register

No. 111

To T. Pycroft Esqre Chief Secretary to Government.

Sir.

I have the honor by desire of the Judges of the Court of Suder and Foujdaree Adawlut to acknowledge receipt of Extract from Minutes of Consultation under date the 4th Septem=ber 1855 No. 1185, calling upon them to ascertain and report to what extent ge=nerally the work now performed in the Courts by handwriting could be advan=tageously executed by Printing Presses,

and

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and whether consequent on the assistance to be thus afforded; any reduction could without inconvenience be made in the Establishments and a saving thus effected in one Department to aid in meeting the increased expenditure in the other.

2. In reply I am directed to state that the Civil and Sessions Judges and the Judicial Officers subordinate to them have with one or two exceptions, in which slight reductions were reported as practicable tho' calcu=lated to entail considerable additional labor on the retained Establishments, represented that the employment of Printing Presses in the different Zillahs would only relieve the Court servants of such work as is now performed by Volunteers and that the busines of the Courts would certainly by the aid of

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theise Presses be carried on with greater despatch but that it would not enable the Courts to dispense with any servants now employed.-

3. In this opinion the Judges of the Court of Suder and Fouzdaree Udaulut concur. They are satisfied that the introduction of Printing will be advisable It will facilitate business and lead to the dispensing with Volunteers whose employment they Consider to be objectionable at the same time they are convinced that the Establishments of the Courts cannot with safety be reduced.-

Sudder Udaulut
Register's Office
15th December 1855

/Signed/ J. Ellis
Register.-

/True Copy/
/Signed/ J. Ellis
Register.

J.C.B.

To

No. 58.

To,

G. L. Forbes Esquire.
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
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B.d No. 352.

From S. N. Ward Esqr. Civil Judge of Cuddalore.

Submitting with reference to Board's letter of 22d Decr. 155 his opinion as to the extent to which the work of the Courts may be done by printing, forwarding a list of Court papers that can be printed, as well as Copy of a Report furnished by him to the Sudr Court, detailing the result of his enquiries relative to the substitution of printing for manuscript in the business of the several Courts.-

Sir

1. With reference to your letter of the 22d Ultimo requesting me to report the result of my enquiries relative to the substitution of Printing for manuscript works in the business of the Civil and Subordinate Courts. I have the honor to submit Copy of a report on the subject (furnished by me to the Court of Sudr Udalut on the 18th of October last, agreeably to the orders of Government in the Public Department dated 4th September last) in which the two points specified in Para 2 of your letter under reply, Viz. the exctent to which the Courts are likely to employ Printing, and what reductions may fairly be required to be made in their Establishments, to meet the charge of working the Presses, have been fully entered into.-

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2. As regards the first, the Board will perceive from the report in question that about 85 per Cent of the papers used in the Courts of this District, can with advantage be printed.—

	Papers that may be printed	
Civil & Sessions Courts Principal Sudr Ameen's Court	67	per cent
Moofsee Do. Do. Do.	30	— Do.
Cuddalore Muffs Do.	100	— Do.
Chedumbarum Do.	89	— Do.
Veloopoorum Do.	96	— Do.
Chingee — Do.	97	— Do.
Total	98	— Do.
	85	— Do.

3. To facilitate reference I give in the margin the proportions for the several Courts.—

4. In regard to the second point, the reduction of the Establishment; I have recommended no reduction in any of the Courts within my Jurisdiction, except that of the Moofty Sudr Ameen, which is at present of little or no use, owing to recent orders of the Sudder Udalut having prohibited the filing by that Officer, of suits cognizable by the District Moonsiffs, which has made his file exceedingly light. At the same time however I would beg that it may distinctly be understood, that I do not mean it be gathered therefrom, that the introduction of Printing will not lessen the work to be done by the Establishments — On the contrary I think it will do so very materially

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materially; what I mean is, that the Establishment of these Courts cannot, with the exception above noted, be reduced, because as it at present exists it is, and has long been felt to be, very inadequate to the work required of it, the consequence of which is; and has been, delay, and arrears in the discharge of Public Business, want of arrangement and due preservation of the records (which I look upon as a most serious evil,) and worse than all, the employment (of necessity) of a class of unpaid agents, called Volunteers, to a very great, and in fact, I may say dangerous extent — all which evils I look forward to have rectified by the superior leisure which printing will give to the present Establishment.—

5. Nor supposing my present Establishment to be retained, would the Extra Expenditure be great, for, in the Concluding part of the Report I have shewn that the portion of the Cost of maintaining a Printing office, which ought properly to be charged to the Courts of this District, would be but between 7 and 8 Rupees a month. And I trust, if the Board and Government see no reason to question the data on which I

I have made this calculation, that so small a sum may neither be allowed to prove a bar to the introduction into the Court of Printing in place of manuscript, or lead to the reduc= =tion of the present Establishment, and thereby deprive me of the means which I so earnestly desire to posses of rectifying the defects to which I have above alluded.—

6 From para 6 of Extract from Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue. — Department dated 21st November last, fur= =nished to me with the Board's Proceedings of the 8th Instant. I learn that the object of Government in requesting the Board to communi= =cate with me on the subject is to obtain data on which to circulate information to other Judges in regard to the extent to which Printing may be substituted for manuscript work performed in the Courts — The way in which this object can best be forwarded, — seems to me to be for me to submit a list of pa= =pers, English and Vernacular, used in the Courts which might with advantage be printed, for the Procedure of the Courts must as prescribed by Law be uniform throughout the Presiden= =cy, and I take it for granted that the ratio of printable work to that not printable in the — Courts

Courts of the other Districts, will be found to differ lit= =tle from those given above for the Courts of this Dis= =trict, or at any rate, that the difference between them cannot be considerable, and accordingly enclosed I beg leave to forward such a list.—

7. The English papers entered in the list as required for the Civil Court, have al= =ready, with some exceptions, been printed in the Press attached to the Provincial school at this station, and are now in use— Those not yet print= =ed have been kept back merely for want of sta= =tionery, and that want having now been supplied no further time will be lost about them— Some of the Tamil papers also have been printed in the same Press but the types there, are very bad, so I prefer waiting for the rest until the new fount said to be expected from Madras shall have been received. The Proceses — marked A which the Court of Sudder Udalut ordered me to have printed without loss of time, were printed at Madras and are now in use.—

8. In reference to Para 5 and 7, of the Minutes of Con= =sultation relative to charging cash to the Public offices for work printed, I beg to submit for the consideration of

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of the Board and Government. that such a trans=
=action would, where the press is a Government
one, be in effect but nominal. the debit in
one branch of the accounts of Government, —
being the credit in another, and such being the
Case would serve only as far as I can see to
entail an unnecessary amount of labor —
both on the Press offices, in charging and pre=
=paring bills for the different kinds of work
and keeping the necessary accounts and
upon the Public Establishments in entering the
payments in their accounts, and including them in
the periodical Statements submitted for the sanction
of the higher authorities - The best plan, as it seems
to me, would be supposing Government to be satis=
=fied that printing can be introduced with advantage,
for an order to issue that all works done at a Govern=
=ment Press from a Public Office, which has the sanc=
=tion of Government for employing it, whether on account
of a reduction in its Establishment or for other rea=
=sons stated, should be done free of charge, the nature
and extent of the work done, or if it be deemed
necessary, its nominal value being shewn in a
Register kept at the Press office. —

Cuddalore Civil Court.
26th January 1856 /Signed/ S. N. Ward.
Civil Judge

Tamil

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Tamil Department

A Notice to Respondents in Appeal Suits /
Proclamations . . . in D: . . . . . /
Order to Nazer to affix Proclamation and make a return /
D: to D: to release the Debtors in Jail and to return
the remainder of Jail battas with debtors receipts
for the Sums paid . . . . . /
D: to D: to keep Debtors in the Jail . . . . /
D: to D: to release D: in consequence of batta
lodged by the creditor having been expended /
D: to D: to serve notices on Defendants
in the Jail /
Notice to appellant to point out heirs of Deceased parties /
Solemn Declaration of Sureties giving Security in
behalf of Appellants for the eventual Costs
of the Respondents /
Order to Nazer to ascertain and report
the competency of security proffered /
Notice to Debtors to state objections if
any for execution of Decrees older than a year &c /
Proclamations for D: D: D: /
Order to Nazer to affix the above and make a return /
Notice of Pauper opponents to state Objections
if any for admitting the parties to sue as a pauper /
Solemn declaration administered to Pauper
applicants /
Order to Nazer to keep Debtors under the
Custody of Peons till further orders /
Takeed to Mooftys Sudr ameen forwarding
Quiries on Mohomedan Law /
Takeed to Mooftys Sudr ameen forwarding records
for reference /
D: to D: requiring D: for D: /

D:

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D: to D: acknowledging D: ——— 1
D: to D: acknowledging the receipt of money ——— 1
D: to Moonsiffs remitting the remainder of Jail batta with the receipts of the debtors released from Jail ——— 1
D: to D: acknowledging the receipt of money to be deposited in the Treasury of the Court ——— 1
D: to D: informing them of appeals against their decrees having been admitted ——— 1
D: to D: to collect and forward advance batta for Debtors in Jail ——— 1
D: to D: remitting the Salaries of the Moonsiffs and their Establishments ——— 1
D: to D: acknowledging the receipts of records disposed of during the month together with monthly accounts Penalties fines &c.a ——— 1
D: to D: directing to forward records for reference ——— 1
D to D: acknowledging the receipt of D: ——— 1
D: to D: forwarding records for D: ——— 1
D: to D: forwarding Copies of Decrees in Appeal Suits ——— 1
D: to D: returning notices and requesting to remit Peons batta ——— 1
D: to D: answers of Pundits to the Queries ——— 1
D: to D: the Interrogatories &c.a ——— 1
D: to D: forwarding interrogatories &c.a ——— 1

Taken

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Taken to Moonsiffs remitting notices &c.a batta ——— 1
D: to D: acknowledging D: ——— 1
D: to D: remitting Sums deposited in the Treasury of the Court on account of the Moonsiffs ——— 1
Receipts to Moonsiffs ——— 1

Total ——— 39

Principal Sudder Ameens Court

English Department

Letter to the Civil Judge of Cuddalore requesting the transmission of records for reference ——— 1
D: to D: forwarding records for reference ——— 1
D: to D: returning records sent for reference ——— 1
D: to D: forwarding appeal Petitions ——— 1
D: to D: forwarding batta for Debtors in Jail ——— 1
D: to the Collector requesting the refund of Stamp duty under Circular Order No 135 ——— 1
D: to D: forwarding money to be deposited in his Treasury ——— 1
D: to D: acknowledging the receipt of Sums transmitted from his Treasury ——— 1
D: to D: requesting the Transmission of Sums out of the Sums deposited in his Treasury ——— 1
Receipt to D: for money received in advance under Circular Order No 35 ——— 1
Letter to D: forwarding monthly Indents with the Judicial receipts ——— 1
Letter to the Collector requesting Billo batta money due to Peons of other District ——— 1

Letter

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Letter to Special agent forwarding Interrogatories to witnesses residing in the French Territory 1
Dº to the Sessions Judge returning records 1
Dº to Dº requesting to order the release of Prisoners who have furnished security according to Sentence 1
Dº to Civil Surgeon requesting to examine the parties in Criminal cases and give his opinion of the injuries sustained by them 1
Dº to Subordinate Judges and Principal Sudder ameens of other Districts returning notice &c^a Served 1
Dº to Dº forwarding notice in Duplicate to be served on parties in other Districts 1
Commission to several authorities to examine witnesses 1
Letter to Dº forwarding Collectors Bill for batta due to peons 1
Dº acknowledging the receipt of Bills &c^a 1
Dº to the Register of the Sudr Adalut with Queries to Pundits 1
Dº to Dº requesting the publication in the Gazette of notifications regarding the property of deceased European Pensioners 1
Notification to accompany the above 1
Letter to the Officer Commanding acknowledging the receipt of the property of deceased Soldiers 1

Letter

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Letter to the administrator General of the Supreme Court of Madras forwarding money belonging to the estates of deceased Soldiers 1
Dº to French Authorities forwarding notices to the parties residing in that Territory 1
Dº to Magistrates requesting the transmission of Prisoners witnesses 1

Total 28

Tamil Department

Memorandum to moonsiffs to forward records for reference 1
Dº to Dº forwarding Dº for Dº 1
Dº requesting the transmission of money collected in Suits 1
Dº remitting Dº Dº 1
Notices to parties in appeal Suits referred to the Principal Sudder Ameen for decision 1
Proclamations for Dº Dº 1
Memorandums to Heads of Police to forward witnesses 1
Order to Nazer to affix Proclamation & make return 1

Total 8

Mooftty Sudder Ameens Court

Notice to Defendant to present reply 1
Proclamation to Dº for Dº 1
Notice to parties to file list of Witnesses 1
Proclamation for Dº 1
Order to Nazer to affix the Proclamations & make a return 1
Nazee to Civil Judge forwarding records for reference 1

Nazee

Urzee requesting records for reference /
D° forwarding Interrogatories to witnesses residing in other Districts /
D° returning D° received from other Districts /
Commissions to Officers in other Districts to examine witnesses /
D° forwarding money to be deposited in the Courts Treasury /
D° to D° D° batta for Debtors in Jail /
D° to D° D° batta due to Peons in other Districts /
D° to D° D° Penalties &c. /
D° to D° forwarding Notices to parties in other Districts /
D° to D° acknowledging the receipts of D° received from D° /
Order to Nazer to collect Peons batta /
Memorandum to Heads Police about witnesses in Criminal cases /

Total 18

District Moonsiffs

Notice to Plaintiff to point out to the Court the place of abode of Defendants who have been reported to have quitted the place mentioned in the Plaint as that of their residence long before issue of Notice /
D° to Defendants to appear and present a revised answer when the original one may have been found to be incorrect /
D° to parties who may have presented answer before procuring the cancelment of the ex-parte previously declared /

Notice

Notice to Petitioners who may have left the Station informing that their Petitions will be called for and requiring them to be present /
D° to parties to present list of witnesses /
D° to D° imposing a fine & Ordering to file D° /
Proclamation requiring Parties to file D° /
Notice to Parties to appear and receive money collected for them /
Notice to decree holder giving him Notice of objections set forth to the attachment of property pointed out by him /
Order to Peons to attach property for Peons batta not paid /
D° to D° to sell the said property /
D° to D° to attach property for fines not paid /
Urzee to Civil Judge requiring records for reference /
D° to D° returning D° /
D° to D° forwarding debtors with batta to be kept in Jail /
D° to D° forwarding advance batta for Debtors in Jail /
D° to D° requesting to release debtors and remit the unexpended portion of batta with receipt for money expended /
D° to D° to release D° when batta in hand is expended, advance not having been received /

Urzee

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Nirzee to the Civil Judge acknowledging the receipt of the unexpended portion of batta received for debtors in Jail together with Voucher for that expended ——— 1

D: to D: forwarding peons batta to be remitted to other Districts ——— 1

D: to D: acknowledging the receipt of D: received from other Distrits ——— 1

D: to D: forwarding Notices to parties in other D: ——— 1

D: to D: returning D: received from D: ——— 1

D: to D: forwarding Interrigatories to witnesses in D: ——— 1

D: to D: returning D: received from D: ——— 1

Commissions to Officers for examining witnesses in D: ——— 1

Nirzee to Civil Judge forwarding Notices to parties in Jail ——— 1

D: to D: forwarding records of Suits disposed of with monthly accounts Penalty fine &c.a ——— 1

D: to D: forwarding money to be deposited in the Civil Courts Treasury ——— 1

D: to D: requesting to remit Sums out of the money deposited in the Courts Treasury ——— 1

D: to D: Acknowledging the receipt of D: ——— 1

D: to D: Acknowledging the receipt of their Salary &c.a ——— 1

D: to D: requesting to cause circar Servants to appear before them as witnesses ——— 1

D: to D: requesting leave of absence for Goomastahs of their Courts ——— 1

Nirzee

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Nirzee to Civil Judge reporting the arrival of Goomastahs after the expiration of leave granted to them ——— 1

D: to D: forwarding Queries to the Pundits of the Sudder Adalut ——— 1

Certificates to parties to receive Copies of Decrees from the Civil Court ——— 1

D: to D: to receive Copies of Public Documents to be produced as evidence ——— 1

Letter to other Moonsiffs to cause Summons to be served on witnesses residing in their jurisdiction ——— 1

D: to D: forwarding notices to be served to parties ——— 1

D: to D: returning D: ——— 1

D: to D: requesting to collect peons batta and to remit the same ——— 1

D: to D: forwarding D: ——— 1

D: to D: Acknowledging D: ——— 1

Total 14,

Common to all Courts A

Notice to Defendants ——— 1

Proclamation for the attendance of Defendants ——— 1

Notice to party before being Summoned to appear as witnesses ——— 1

Summons to a party to appear as a witness ——— 1

Summons to a witness ——— 1

Warrant for the appearance of a witness ——— 1

D: for Security to be furnished by a Defendant ——— 1

Security

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Security bond to be executed by a Defendant /
Writ of Sequestration /
Writ of execution against the person /
D°. D°. D°. effects /
Notice of execution for Service on Defendants against whom decrees may have been passed ex parte /
D° for the appearance of heirs of deceased Parties /
D° to Plaintiff to Prosecute a remanded case /
D°. to Defendant to Defend a remanded case /
Proclamation for the appearance of the Plaintiff in a remanded case /
D°. for the appearance of the Defendant in a remanded case /

Total 17

N. B. There are besides several other papers of a Miscellaneous nature such as the usual returns and reports of the Nazer and Sailor &ca the headings of the accounts furnished by the Moonsiffs which might with advantage be printed but which it would be tedious here to enumerate.—

Abstract of the above list . . .

	English	Tamil	Total
Civil and Sessions Courts	51.	39.	90
Principal Sudder Ameens Court	28	8	36
Moofty Sudder Ameens Court	.	18	18
District Moonsiffs Court	.	44	44
Common to all Courts	.	17	17
Total	79	126	205

(signed) J. H. Ward
Civil Judge

J. B.
J. W.

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No. 571.

To,
G. Ellis Esquire
Register to the Court
of Sudder and Fouzdaree
Adalut.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 14th Ultimo giving Cover to a copy of Paras 5-6-7 and 8 of an Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the public Department dated the 4th Idem No. 1185. I have the honor to report.—

First. As regards the extent to which the work in general now performed in the Courts by hand writing might with advantage be printed.

2. That being unwilling to hazard an opinion upon the point without sufficient data to go upon, I caused to be prepared a Statement of the several processes, orders and other papers dispatched from the Office during the first six months of the current year, distinguishing between "usual or papers that may with advantage be "printed" and not usual or papers that cannot be printed, and called for similar returns from the

the several subordinate Judicial Officers
The enclosed abstract Statement shews
the result

3. From it the Judges will perceive
that the proportion of printable work in
the several Courts averages as shown in the

* Papers that may be printed

		per Cent.
Civil and Sessions Court	67	
Principal Sudder Ameen Court	30	
Moosfy Do. Do.	100	
Cuddalore Moonsiffs	89	
Chedumbarum Do.	96	
Veloopooram Do.	97	
Chengee	98	
Total	85.	

* Margin no less altogether than 85 percent of the whole, exclusive of covers, many of which might also in part at least be printed.—

Enclosure

4. In the Civil and Sessions Court this amount is 51 per cent of the English, and 75 per cent of the Tamil papers in all 67 per cent of the usual papers and correspondance in both languages. Most of the periodical returns forwarded to the Court of Sudder and Foujdaree Adalut have to be filled up in Lithographed or printed forms furnished

furnished by them, no more relief therefore can be afforded to the establishment in that branch of their work.—

5. That in the principal Sudder Ameen's Court is 19 per cent of the English and 36 per cent of the Tamil papers, or 30 per cent in all. The proportion is small when compared with that above given of the Civil Court, but that is owing to the small amount of English correspondence which the Principal Suder Ameen has to carry on with the Judges of other Courts, most of which devolves on the Civil Judge and in the Tamil Department to so few original suits being filed in his Court, and whereby of course it happens that but few processes need to issue, and to the fact that the appeals which he decides are not referred to him till after the Respondents answer is received and the proceedings otherwise closed by the Civil Judge.—

6. In the Mooftee Sudder Ameens Court

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Court all papers fall under dual but that officer since the passing of the order prohibiting him from entertaining suits Cognizable by the Moonsiffs has had very little to do In fact during the whole 5 months Comprised in the Statement all the orders viz issued by him have been but 360 or 60 a month. The usefulness of this establishment is extraordinarily limited and its continuance under its present Circumstances seems to me to be of doubtful expediency.

7. In the Moonsiffs Courts a large amount of work averaging from 89 to 98 per Cent can be printed as can also the periodical returns, though being but few in number and the headings moreover not numerous much relief cannot be thereby expected

8. As regards the question whether consequent on the assistance to be thus afforded any reductions could without inconvenience be made in the establishments of

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of the Courts in this District and a saving thus effected in one department to aid in meeting the expenditure in the other. That I do not see my way to any such reduction. Printing even to the extent above enumerated would but relieve the Copyists in both departments that is the class called writers in the English and Goomastahs in the Tamil, and their number as allowed is so limited that it has been found impossible to get thro' the business of the Courts without the assistance of a class called Volunteers who are ready to do such work as Copying and the like upon the hope of being eventually taken into public employ. These might be dispensed with as they ought and would have been long ago had it been possible to do without them, but any material reduction of establishment I cannot prudently recommend.

The

9. The Civil Court is allowed but four writers and 5 Goomastahs and these I can confidently assert are quite unequal to the work required of them. The time of the English writers has been so much taken up by Current business that they have not paid, and I think cannot have been unable, to pay that degree of attention to the records which their arrangement and preservation render necessary. The consequence is that the records generally are in great confusion and the volumes containing them out of order and that much valuable time is lost in searching for papers required for reference while the evil is aggravated by the absence of any sort of index. The Copying of the rough drafts of letters sent in sections is in arrear for nearly two years and the sections of several years have not been compared of late as much as has been done as was practicable to rectify this and I have made it the special duty of one of the writers to index all letters received and sent dividing them into departments and prescribed rules for the arrangement of the English records, and these rules are now in force, but still arrears accumulate, nor is it possible with the present strength. [illegible]

See Encl. No 2

of establishment to look to for better results. Besides the correspondence of the Courts has for the last few years greatly increased as will be evident from the table given in the margin. The amount of the work at present performed being clearly far greater than the Officers who proposed the establishment in 1843 could have supposed it would be when they made their estimate. The number of letters &c. despatched during each of the first five years from 1845 taking the average of them all is 782, while that of the nexct or from 1850 is no less than 1178 and since October 1851 an extra copy for the press has had to be made of each decree.—

years	Number of Letters &c.
1845	761
1846	772
1847	720
1848	777
1849	884
Total	3914
Average	782
1850	957
51	953
52	1090
53	1381
54	1571
Total	5892
Average	1178.

10. Of the 5 Goomastahs in the Tamil Department, the 1st assists to the Sheristadar in disposing of the current papers and

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and preparing the rough Diary &c., the 2d keeps the daily English Cash account and the various accounts particularly connected with the sums in the Treasury: the 3d fills up the daily registers kept in the office to facilitate the preparation of the periodical returns sent to the Court of Sudder Adalut, write down depositions Compare the fair Diary and at times assist in Copying: the 4th is attached to the record keeper to examine and [illegible] the records received from the 4 Moonsiffs every month, besides which he [illegible] the fair Diary and the 5th is the only [illegible] tat available for copying and Comparing several process, orders &c which he is [illegible] to do by the assistance of the Volunteers. Nor is it only in Copying that business in this Department has been during the last 5 years upon the increase for the following statement will show:

Years	Appeal	Petitions
1845	99	218
1846	107	261
47	98	234
48	100	267
49	95	239
Total	499	1169
Average	99	233
1850	97	288
51	117	283
52	109	260
53	130	279
54	183	357
Total	636	1467
Average	127	293

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greatly augmented.—

11 And here I would beg leave to enter my protest against what I have always looked upon as a most pernicious and dangerous Custom I mean the taking advantage of that irresponsible agency "the Volunteers." Here it has, as every where, been very largely made use of in the Civil, Principal Sudder Ameen, Sudder Ameen and all the Moonsiffs Courts; when I first joined the District even in the Civil Court it was the practice almost Sanctioned by use for any person related to or even acquainted with any of the Servants of the Court to attend the Courts whenever he pleased and to take a large share in the business of the Office without let or hindrance. In fact no sort of distinction was preserved between the paid Servants and the Volunteers the latter having access to any paper even among the records almost to the same extent as the record keeper himself while any one who chose walked backwards and forwards or loitered

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years	†Appeal	*Petitions
1845	99	318
1846	107	264
47	88	234
48	100	267
49	95	289
Total	439	1102
Average	97	280
1850	117	283
51	129	268
52	180	379
53	183	359
54	159	368
Total	783	1657
Average	133	331

Nor is it only in Correspondence that business in this Department has been during the above period upon the increase for the number of †appeals filed and *Petitions presented (see margin) have also greatly

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loitered about the Office among the Servants and Come and went at his pleasure.—

12. The influx of parties into the Office at all times and Seasons I put a Stop to at once; but the Volunteers I did not deal with till November last, when pending to my Sorrow that on account of the insufficiency of the establishment I could not entirely dispense with Voluntary aid I chose Seven of the most promising of the young men of the class hanging about the Court who I duly registered and distributed thro' the different departments making the chief Servants answerable for their good Conduct, and the rest / for there were no less than 20 in all I found Considered as such besides others who came and went / I peremptorily prohibited from having any thing to do with the affairs of the Court and forbad them access except on business to the Offices. A strict watch has since been kept upon their Conduct by the Sheristadar and as yet I have had no reason to think that any mischief has occurred from

from the measure. but. I have a strong objection, as I have said above, to the System; and if printing be sanctioned I shall assuredly take this opportunity of getting rid of it altogether.—

13. In fine I beg leave to Submit as my opinion.—

I That the establishment proposed for this Court in 1843 is unequal to the work required of it, as I should long ago have represented had I thought there was any reasonable prospect of its increase.—

II That it cannot without inconvenience be reduced even with the aid of printing.—

III That great improvements may be introduced when that relief is afforded among which I would enumerate the Systematic arrangement and preservation of the English records. The avoidance of arrears in that Department. The gradual bringing up of the arrears of past years.— The arrangement of old record, and the doing away with the employment of Volunteers.—

14. The Principal Sudder Ameen reports that his establishment cannot be reduced.— Enclosure N°3 Enclosed I beg to forward Copy of para 2 of his letter on the Subject dated 26th ultimo together with

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with the Statement therein alluded to. For my own part I do not think the establishment allowed to that Officer is more than is necessary; Considering the Comparatively small amount of work there is in his Court which can be printed.

15. The Moofty Sudder Ameen also states that his establishment cannot be reduced but in this I cannot Concur. If it is to be Continued the present Establishment is in my opinion more than Sufficient for the due transaction of the business Connected with the few cases referred on the criminal side, and the very few Suits and Hookumnamahs pending or likely to be pending on its file. The Moofty Sudder Ameen has 5 Goomastahs at a monthly cost of 45 Rupees. I can very safely recommend a reduction of 20 Rupees.

16. All the Moonsiffs are unanimous in declaring that their Establishments are quite unequal to the amount of work performed by them, a great portion of which they state is transacted by the Volunteers I perfectly agree with them and would strongly recommend the remodeling of their Sibbundy. Besides the establishment allowed them

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them and the several Volunteers attending their Court they have each a certain number of batta Peons employed in assisting Goomastahs and this practice I have found it impracticable to discontinue without impeding business to an inconvenient extent. The Moonsiffs have of late been doing a large amount of work as is within the knowledge of the Court Sudder Adalut and their files are gradually increasing. The mere Copying their several decrees is sufficient to give full work to more than 2 Goomastahs for; Of each three Copies has to be made one for record and the other 2 for the parties who have a right to demand them under 1clause first Section XXXVIII Regulation VI of 1816. Should the enactment be so far altered as to require parties to make their own Copies or to pay for them as they do in the higher Courts and the Establishments be caused by the aid of printing, the Volunteers may be dismissed and the peons assisting the Goomastahs return to their proper work when and not till then, their Establishments as regards numeral strength will be placed on a Satisfactory footing.

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17. The portion of the cost of maintaining a printing Office that ought properly to be charged to the Courts is very small. They have no current business equivalent to the Circular Takeed and Istears of Collectors and Magistrates to render an approximate estimate of the work for a Press uncertain. They require a certain number of set forms which number cannot I think at the very highest be above 50,000 copies per annum for all the judicial Establishments of this District. Taking this therefore as the number and supposing 800 copies to be struck off per diem, and much more can be done, the press will not be occupied for more than 2 months and a half at the rate of 25 working days for each month. The forms are all small and simple and would not require more than one Compositor of ordinary qualifications. The Press would require I apprehend but one Press man and one Baller. the total cost of whom with Sundries I will assume to

For six months as per Column 3 of enclosure No 1 — 11515 / 2

Number for 1 year 23030
Add for all probable increases on a very liberal Scale 26970

Total for 1 year 50000

N. B. The forms will not fill more than one pages of Foolscap and sometimes a half large or 1/2 sheet will be sufficient since two if not 4 Copies can be struck off each time on the same sheet of paper.

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to be 35 Rupees per mensem or 88 Rupees in all as shewn in the margin: increased expenditure therefore would be between Seven and 8 Rupees a month.

	Pay per mensem			Total pay for 2 1/2 months		
	Rs	a	P	Rs	a	P
1 Compositor	15	"	"	37	8	"
1 Pressman	9	"	"	22	8	"
1 Baller	7	"	"	17	8	"
Sundries	4	"	"	10	"	"
Total	35	"	"	87	8	"

18. I hope the Judges will excuse this long report and be pleased to allow the importance of the Subject to be my excuse. And further I would venture respectfully to urge that the fact of no material reduction of Establishment being possible to meet the increased expense may not be allowed to deprive the Courts of this District of the great and manifold advantages to be derived from printing, but that the Judges will submit to Government for their favorable consideration of this my prayer that those advantages may be extended to them coordinately with the retention of their present Establishments with the slight exceptions I have noted.

Cuddalore Civil Session Court
18th October 1855.

/signed/ S. N. Ward
Civil Session Judge

/True Copy/
/signed/ S. N. Ward
Civil Session Judge

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Statement Shewing the amount of work that can be printed in the Civil & Subordinate Courts of the District of Cuddalore

Names of the Courts		Language	Usual Papers that may with advantage be printed	Not usual or Papers that cannot be printed	Total	Per centage of Columns 3 & 4 Cols. 5	Remarks
Civil and Session Court		English	348	331	679	51	
		Tamil	1076	342	1418	75	
Total			1424	673	2097	67	
Principal Sudder Ameens Court		English	79	328	407	19	
		Tamil	237	409	646	36	
Total			316	737	1053	30	
Sudder Ameens			355		355	100	
Cuddalore Mounsiffs			3254	381	3635	89	
Chedumbarum			2254	82	2336	96	
Veloopooram			2697	83	2780	97	
Chenjee			1215	19	1234	98	
		Tamil					
Total			9775	565	10340	94	
Grand Total			11515	1975	13490	85	

Cuddalore . . . .
Civil Sessions Court 18th Octr 1855

/Signed/ S. N. Ward
Civil & Sessions Judge

/True copy/
/Signed/ S. N. Ward
Civil & Sessions Judge

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Rules

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Rules for the English Records.

1. The correspondence of the English Department shall from the 1st of January 1855 be divided into eight books as follows:

1. Letters Recd from the Sudder Udalut.
2. —— Do —— Do Sent to the Do —— Do
3. —— Do —— Do received from the Fouzdaree Udalut.
4. —— Do —— Do Sent to the Do —— Do
5. Civil Miscellaneous Receive.
6. —— Do —— Do —— Sent.
7. Session —— Do —— Receive.
8. —— Do —— Do —— Sent.

2. It shall be the duty of the 2d Writer to Keep 4 Indexes in the following form for the above 8 Volumes.-

Index of letters received from and sent to the Sudder Udalut during 1855.

Received.

No of Letter	Month & Date of Receipt	Abstract of Contents	When Answered	Page	Remarks

Sent.

No	Month & Date of Letter	Abstract of the Communication	Answer referred to	Page	Remarks

The

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3. The letters received shall be Indexed immediately after their receipt and the letters sent shall in no case be dispatched before they are indexed. As any relaxation of this rule would at once deprive the indexes of their real value, the 2nd Writer is particularly required to attend to it and will always be held responsible for the accuracy of the indexes as well for their neatness.

4. The indexer will immediately after endorsing the letters received, note on the top of the communication from this Office to which it is a reply the date of such reply and write on the reply the word "marked" as a sign of this rule having been attended to.

5. No letter received from any authority shall be posted in the Volume before it is actually and finally disposed of and on the top of such letter, the date of the reply sent or the manner in which it might be disposed of must be entered.

6. On every Tuesday the Head or 2nd Writer will lay before the Judge without failure a List in the following form of letters

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letters received up to the previous Saturday but remaining unanswered. He will also lay before the Judge once every fortnight a list of letters sent from the Office but for which no answers have been received.

List of letters remaining unanswered.

From whom received	No. of the paper	Substance.	Remarks

7. The drafts of letters sent shall all be pasted in a half bound book consecutively and shall also be copied in Sections. The drafts of each day must be copied in the Sections the next day and on Monday of every week the Sections shall be produced to the Judge in order to satisfy him that no arrears are allowed to accumulate, and that they are neatly and correctly copied. The Sections shall be Compared by the Head or 2nd Writer and the Translator when he has time and Signed by any of them in testimony

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testimony of their correctness. These Sections shall be bound and paged after the expiration of each year.—

8. The papers received shall be pasted in a half bound book E immediately after they are disposed of. These papers shall after the expiration of the year and within the first Month of the next year be arranged according to dates, paged and reposted in full bound books. The pages shall then be entered in the several indexes.—

9. The Office Copies of all Statements Accounts and Returns sent to the Higher Authorities shall always be prepared in book forms of an uniform size as far as possible. These Statements shall immediately after the fair Copies are despatched be pasted in a full bound book and entered in a list prefixed to the book E in the accompanying form.—

Date of the Statement or Letter on which it was sent.	To whom sent.	Name of the Statements &c.	No.	Remarks

Note

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Note. Copying the drafts of letters sent from this Office in Sections appears to have been in practice in this Court and recently discontinued. The Civil Judge hopes that the English Department will bring up the arrear in this branch of their duty as soon as possible.—

Immediate notice will be taken of any deviation from the above rules.—

(Signed) S. N. Ward
Civil & Sessions Judge.

True Copy
(Signed) S. N. Ward.
Civil & Sessions Judge.

To,
S. N. Ward Esquire
Civil Judge of
Cuddalore.

Sir,

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2. With regard to the reduction in the Establishment if effected at all, it can only be made in the Goomastaships and

and

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and Writers Departments, 2 or 3 of whom as occasion occurs being employed in writing the Documents now suggested to be printed, exclusive of the other work they have to perform as the enclosed Statement will show. but the Higher Authorities will perceive thereby that no such reduction can be made without interfering with the speedy despatch of the public business, as for instance when I assumed charge of this Court at that time 34 Decrees of the Diary of the Court for upwards of 2 Months and several other Processes as well as the Any Rays to be returned to the Police Officers remained uncopied and unprepared, partly owing to the want of sufficient hands, and it was only with the assistance of the Volunteers.

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Volunteers that I succeeded in bringing up the arrears. I can therefore recommend no reduction and I need scarcely mention that it has already been made in the number of Goomastahs since those allowed for this Court are 6, and those for the Sub Court 8.—

Signed/ V. Soondara Naidoo
Actg. Princl. Sudr Ameen.

(True Copy)

Cuddalore, Princl. Sudr —
Ameen's Court, ----
26th September, 1855.

Signed/ S. N. Ward
Civil & Sessions Judge.

Statement.

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Statement shewing the work performed by the Coomastah attached to the Criminal Department.

Clavalmanee		Attached to that Department.
Head Coomastah		Do.
2d do. and Mr.		Reading records. Writing Do.
3d do.		Do. Do.
5th do.		Do. Do.

Head Writer. Have all the Cadjan Journals taken out & copied on white paper
2d do. Do. Do. Do. Do. Do. Do.
3d do. Reporting Proceedings in the Court & writing Letters & Petitions
4th do. Writing Petitions & Letters & Petitions
5th do. Writing the Sentences of the Court.
Head Writer. Writing Petitions & Letters & Petitions
2d do. Do. Do. Do. Do. Do. Do.
3d do. Do. Do. Do. Do. Do. Do.
4th do. Do. Do. Do. Do. Do. Do.
5th do. Do. Do. Do. Do. Do. Do.

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List of papers used in the several Courts of the District of Cuddalore that can be printed.

Civil & Sessions Court.

English Department

Civil Judges.

Letter to Civil Judges with Interrogatories for witnesses residing in other Districts — 1
Commission to the Judges to examine witnesses under Act VII of 1841 — 1
Letter to Civil Judges returning the Interrogatories &c. received from other Districts for the examination of witnesses residing in this District — 1
Do. to Do. with notices to be served on parties residing in other District — 1
Do. to Do. with do. together with Taliar for Do. Do. in Do. — 1
Do. to do returning do. do. received for parties residing in this District and requesting to remit the batta due to the Batta peons — 1
Do. to do with Collectors bill or other remittance for batta due to peons — 1
Do. to do. acknowledging receipt of Collectors bills or other remittance for batta due to the peons — 1
Do. to Do. forwarding Decrees &c. to be executed under act XXXII of 1852 — 1

Special

Special Agent.

Letter to the Special Agent with interroga-
tories for witnesses residing in Foreign
Territories ——— 1.

Collector

Do. to the Collector requesting bills for
sums to be remitted to other Judges ——— 1.

Do. to do forwarding for payment Bills received
from other Districts ——— 1.

Do. to do to cause the attendance of Public
Servants in the Revenue and Police Depart-
ments required as witnesses by the several
Courts ———

Letter to Collector forwarding monthly
Indents with the several Account Particu-
lar and requesting to remit the amount
thereof ——— 1.

Do. to do. requesting to remit the Institution
fee i.e. the value of the 1st Stamp in suits
remanded for reinvestigation ——— 1.

Do. to do. requesting to remit Sums depo-
sited in his Treasury ——— 1.

Do. to do. acknowledging receipt of Sums
remitted by him from time to time ——— 1.

Principal Sudder Ameen.

Memorandum to Principal Sudder Ameen
requesting Records for reference ——— 1.

Do. to do. returning Records ——— 1.

Do. to Do. remitting remainder of batta received
for debtors confined in Jail at his request ——— 1.

Do.

Memorandum to giving intimation of
the want of batta in advance for debtors 1.

Do. to Principal Sudder Ameen forwarding
copies of orders remanding Suits for rein-
vestigation ——— 1.

Do. to do. forwarding Copies of Decrees in appeal
Suits ——— 1.

Do. to do. referring Appeals from Moonsiffs
Decrees for decision ——— 1.

Do. to Do. forwarding records for reference 1.

Commanding Officer.

Letter to the Commanding Officer to deliver
over Sepoys to peons entrusted with
warrants ——— 1.

Do. to do. to cause Sepoys to attend before
the Courts as witnesses ——— 1.

Do. to do. requesting to allow notices to
be served on the Sepoys ——— 1

Sudder Udalut.

Do. to Register to the Court of Sudder
Udalut forwarding Special Appeal
Petitions ——— 1

Do. to do. forwarding Copies of Decrees for
the Press ——— 1

Do. to do. forwarding Questions to the Sudder
Udalut Pundits ——— 1.

Do. to do. reporting the assumption of the charge
of the Court ——— 1.

Do. to do. reporting the delivery of the charge
of the Court ——— 1.

Do. to do. Submitting Statement of Contingent
Charges for Sanction ——— 1.

French

French Authories.

Letter to the Police Officer at Poudicherry forwarding Summons to parties residing in the French Territory ——— 1

Chief Secretary.

Dr. to Chief Secretary Reporting having delivered over charge of the Court — 1

Dr. to Chief Secretary reporting having received charge of the Court ——— 1

Civil Auditor.

Dr. to Civil Auditor reporting having received charge of the Court ——— 1

Sheriff of Madras.

Dr. to the Sheriff of Madras forwarding notices and Pitiars for parties residing within the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of Madras ——— 1

Small cause Court.

Dr. to the Clerk of the Small Cause Court at Madras forwarding Interrogatories for witnesses residing within the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court ——— 1

Magistrate.

Dr. to the Magistrate forwarding for disposal Petitions received from Convicts in the Jail ——— 1

Miscellaneous.

Warrants of different kinds to the Tailor &
Civil Judges Salary Bill ——— 1
Accounts Particular and other papers sent
to the Collector with the monthly Indent — 5
Total ——— 51

The printed and Lithographied forms at present furnished by the Sudder and Fouzdaree Adalut are not included in this list. —

To

The Secretary
Board of Revenue

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Dr. No. 548
From the ——
Military Board.

Sir,

I am desired by the Military Board to explain that as the Ordnance Officers are granted a money allowance for Writers and Stationery the Board are unable to give any guarantee as to the quantity of work which each Officer might see fit to throw into the Pressing Presses of Districts, and as the papers sent in from Arsenals are of a uniform nature, it is easy for the Central Office to strike off sufficient Copies of each document to meet the wants of all the outstation Arsenals.

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The Military Board would also wish to bring to notice that the Arsenals at Masulipatam Trichinopoly Cannanore are only at the Stations where Presses are located and as the quantity of Civil Work to be done will in all probability Keep the Presses fully employed it is to be expected that the Printing for the Ordnance Service will be unimportant.

The Board will however issue instructions to the Ordnance Officers to avail themselves of the District Presses.

Military Board Office
Fort St. George - - - -
14th February 1850.

(Signed) J. H. Hope
Secretary.

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No. 41.

To
G. S. Forbes Esqr.
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

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A
After B. No. 731.
From the Collector of South Arcot.

Reports that he has taken charge of the Printing Press from Mr. Armour and forwards a List of the proposed deductions to be made from the Pay of certain Hoogoor and Talook Servants for maintaining it, and requests that a Wooden Press for preparing proof sheets may be supplied, or authority granted to purchase one at Pondicherry.

Sir

I have the honor to report that in pursuance of the orders contained in the Extract from the Minutes of Consultation No. 208 dated 22d Ultimo, Copy of which was forwarded to me by Extract from the Proceedings of the Board, No. 596 dated 26th idem, Mr. Armour the Head Master of the Government School at this place has handed over to me the Printing Press alluded to, and that I have had it set up for working in my Office.

2. As however Mr. Armour has found himself under the necessity of returning the borrowed Tamil Types to the party at Pondicherry who was good enough to lend them to him, I am without any but the English ones. This of course renders the Press comparatively speaking useless to me, and an unprofitable expense to Government.

3. Under these Circumstances, I have lost no time in requesting the Director of Public Instruction to let me have the set of Tamil Types which I have reason to believe were some time back prepared for despatch to Cuddalore by the Superintendent of the Government Press at Madras.

4. Should the Director of Public Instruction decline to Comply with my request, I trust the Board will be pleased to take

take the necessary steps to furnish me with a supply of such Types at an early period—

5. Mr. Armour informs me that he detained the Types much beyond the time he promised the owner that he would do, and that as they were imperatively asked for, he had no alternative but to return them as he has done—

6. I have received with the Press the Establishment noted in the Margin, the Monthly Pay of which comes, in the aggregate to Rupees 63. This with an addition of 7 Rupees a Month for Contingencies will for the present be sufficient I think to work the Press, but as the business increases and the demand for Printing becomes greater, and steadier, it will be necessary I expect to employ more people, so that eventually the Monthly expenditure will rise to the full sum of 91 Rupees given as the Maximum in Para 17 of the Memo referred to in Para 18 of Mr. Bourdillon's Minute dated 17th January 1835—

	Rs.
1 Compositor	30
1 Asstt. D:	12
1 Press man	10
1 Ball man	6
1 Assistt. D:	5
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7. As the Government have laid it down as a positive Rule, that the introduction of Printing Presses is to involve no additional charge to the state, it seems desirable that arrangements should be made at once to meet the Maximum Cost—

8. Next to my own Office the Judicial Department will have the largest quantity of Printing to be done. I would therefore propose that a permanent reduction should be made in

† Civil & Sessions Court Principal Sudr Ameens Moonsiffs

in the Revenue, and Judicial departments, in proportion to the relative amount of work which each will require to have performed, and that the other departments; such as the Post office, Public Works, and education, which are only likely occasionally to require the use of the Press should be charged at a fair rate for what is done for them—

9. I can, if the Board approve, make a reduction of 50 Rupees a Month in my own department by cutting down the pay of the Servants enumerated in the accompanying List which I consider will be a better plan than to abolish Situations altogether with the Exception of that of the fourth Shroff in the Hoozoor Treasury which may be, I think, at once dispensed with, the present incumbent being re employed when an opportunity offers—

10. If the Judicial Department could in the first instance, effect a reduction of 20 Rupees I should at once have 70 Rupees, a month available for working the Press, besides the sums realized by charging for work done for other offices or for private Individuals—

11. As it is absolutely necessary that I should be speedily informed of the

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the scale upon which charges should be made for Printing, if only to enable me to shew in my accounts the actual value of all the work done by the Press I beg to solicit that I may be furnished with a Table of the average rates usually charged in the Printing offices at Madras, either including or excluding the Printers profit according as it may be thought right for me to demand payment or to enter the charges—

12. As it is necessary that I should have Funds to meet the cost of the Press for the current month, I purpose carrying into effect my proposed reduction pending final orders on the subject—

13. I beg to mention that I have also written to Mr. Ward the Civil and Sessions Judge of Cuddalore to inform him of what I have suggested as the course which should be adopted to carry out the views of Government in regard to meeting the cost of working this Press—

14 It is desirable that I should

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also have one of the wooden Presses generally used for the purpose of preparing proof Sheets, and I therefore beg to request that I may be either furnished with one from Madras or else that I may be authorized to purchase one at Pondicherry, where, I am informed that I am likely now to be able to get a second hand one for about 60 Rupees—

South Arcot ——
Collector's Cutcherry
Cuddalore 1st ——
March 1856 ——

(Signed) A. Hall.
Collector

Statement

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No. 1.

Statement Shewing the proposed reduction to meet the cost of working the Press at Cuddalore

	Department	Pay	Proposed reduction	
		Rs a p	Rs a p	
Under the Shenistadar	Hoozoor Cutcherry.			
	1 Goomastah	24 8 .	. 8 .	
	D:	24 8 .	. 8 .	
	D:	24 8 .	. 8 .	
	D:	24 8 .	. 8 .	
	D:	24 8 .	. 8 .	
	D:	17 8 .	. 8 .	
	D:	17 8 .	. 8 .	
	D:	17 8 .	. 8 .	
	1 Sumpretty	17 8 .	. 8 .	
	D:	17 8 .	. 8 .	
In the Treasury	1 Goomastah	24 8 .	. 8 .	
	D:	24 8 .	. 8 .	
	2d Shroff	24 8 .	. 8 .	
	3d D:	17 8 .	. 8 .	
	4th D:	14 . .	14 . .	abolished
In the Sayer and Salt	1 Goomastah	17 8 .	. 8 .	
	D:	17 8 .	. 8 .	
	D:	17 8 .	. 8 .	
	D:	17 8 .	. 8 .	
	D:	17 8 .	. 8 .	
Magistrate Department	1 Goomastah	17 8 .	. 8 .	
	D:	17 8 .	. 8 .	
English Accounts Department	1 Assistant Accountant	17 8 .	. 8 .	
	D:	17 8 .	. 8 .	

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Department	Pay	Proposed reduction
	Rs a p	Rs a p
Talook Establishment		
Tirade Ellumanadoo	1 Karkoon 13 . .	1 . .
	1 Goomastah 10 8 .	. 8 .
	D: 10 8 .	. 8 .
	D: 10 8 .	. 8 .
	D: 10 8 .	. 8 .
Tirade Ellumanadoo	1 Goomastah 10 8 .	. 8 .
	D: 10 8 .	. 8 .
	D: 10 8 .	. 8 .
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Department		Pay	Proposed reduction
		Rs a p	Rs a p
Trivandrum Provincial Courts: Cutchery	1 Goomastah	10 8 0	8 0
	Do.	10 8 0	8 0
	Do.	10 8 0	8 0
Trivandrum Zillah Courts: Cutchery	1 Goomastah	14 4 2	2 0
	Do.	10 8 0	8 0
	Do.	10 8 0	8 0
	Do.	10 8 0	8 0
Trivandrum Revenue Board: Cutchery	1 Goomastah	10 8 0	8 0
	Do.	10 8 0	8 0
	Do.	10 8 0	8 0
	Do.	10 8 0	8 0
Cutta: Cutchery	1 Goomastah	10 8 0	8 0
	Do.	10 8 0	8 0
	Do.	10 8 0	8 0
	Do.	10 8 0	8 0
Chuit: Cutchery	1 Goomastah	10 8 0	8 0
	Do.	10 8 0	8 0
	Do.	10 8 0	8 0
	Do.	10 8 0	8 0
Cuddalore	Goomastah	10 8 0	8 0
Mercara	Mushruff	8 12 0	12 0
Tegavelly	Mushruff	10 8 0	8 0
Salt Pans	Nevasindah	6 2 0	2 0
	Do.	6 2 0	2 0
	Total 16 Rupees		50 0 0

(Signed) A. Hall
Collector

F.G.B.

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Ordered to be submitted to Government with the following Letter.

To

The Secretary to
Government
Rev: Department

Sir

With reference to para 6 of the Extract Minutes Consultation No. 1276 dated 21st November last, I am directed to submit the result of the Board's enquiries as to the manner in which the various departments making use of the Collectorate Presses can most conveniently contribute towards their maintenance.

2. The Board have been in communication with the Departments noted in the Margin, and herewith submit their replies.

3. The Board suggested two plans for adoption, viz.t that Departments having but little work for a Press and that only occasionally should be charged for the work performed at certain fixed rates while those having a larger amount of regular work

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Bd. No. 724

To the Secy. to Government Reporting the result of the Board's enquiries as to the manner in which the various Departments making use of the Collectorate Presses can contribute towards their maintenance and detailing the arrangements which the Board have made for supplying the Collector of South Arcot with Press & Type.

In Cons. 13 Dec. 1855.

50 From Court of Sudr Adalut dated 26th Jany. in Cons. 7th March 1856.

548 F. Military Bd. 14th Febry. Cons. 7 March "

3696 F. Post Master Genl. 20th Decr. 55 in Cons. 7th March "

7 F. Director of Public Instruction 26th Decr. 1855 in Cons. 7th March "

3703 F. Chief Engineer 21st Decr. 55 in Cons. 7th March "

352 From Civil & Sessions Judge of Cuddalore 26th Jany. in Cons. 7th March "

work should make a reduction in their establishments nearly equivalent to the value of the work done and pay for the surplus work, if any, at fixed rates.

4. The latter arrangement was suggested in order that Collectors alone might not be called upon at once to make reductions in their Offices sufficient to meet the new charges, but the plan seems impracticable, and the necessary reductions must be made by the Collectors alone.

5. The Post Master General states that no reductions can be made in his Department and that payment at fixed rates will be the most convenient plan.

6. The Chief Engineer is unable in the present state of his Department to furnish the required information.

7. The Department of Public Instructions is to be supplied with Presses for its own use and the requirement of the Offices under the Military

Military Board in the Interior will be chiefly met from Madras.

8. The Sadr Court as Government are aware are of opinion that no reduction can be made in the Judicial Establishments with Provinces.

9. In accordance with the instructions of Government the Board communicated with the Civil and Sessions Judge of Cuddalore. Mr. Ward reports that on the whole 85 proceedings of the Manuscript work of his own and the Courts Subordinate to him may be printed exclusive of correspondence The expence of printing these he calculates at 87½ Rupees per Annum to meet which he cannot recommend any reduction. The Board observe however that the Services of a Writer on Rupees 20 per month in the Mufty Sadr Ameen's Office can be dispensed with, and his Salary might fairly be credited to the Press as 100 per Cent if the papers of that Court can be printed.

10 The Board have no means

of

of judging of the sufficiency or insuf-
ficiency of the Establishments attached
to the Courts but they see no reason
for assuming that the Revenues are
comparatively stronger than the Judicial
Establishments. The work of the Collectors
has undoubtedly largely increased of
late years and that portion of it in the disposal
of which the Presses will be of use, has un-
doubtedly been done to a great extent by Volun-
teers. If therefore the Collector can make re-
ductions in their Establishments it may
be inferred that other Departments can
do the same in proportion to the
assistance afforded to each by the
Collectorate Presses.

11. The replies of the several authorities to the Board's enquiries place it out of their power to carry out the wishes of Government in any other way than by charging each Department for the work actually done and they suggest that

that a Table of rates should be
drawn up at once by the Super-
intendent of the Gazette
Press and circulated to the
Collectors at whose disposal
for the maintenance of the
Presses the sums thus earned
must be placed.

12. The Government have
desired that every expense con-
nected with the Presses (except
the original outlay) shall be
met by reductions. But the Board
cannot see that this is carried
out in other Departments,
and

and it will be necessary for Government to lay down some rule on this point, so that the charges for printing as well as for paper shall be met in the same manner as has been prescribed for the Revenue Department.

13. The Board would suggest that Mr. Ward's letter be printed and circulated to the Judges and Collectors in the Provinces.

Revenue Bd. Office,
Fort St. George,
7th March 1856

[Signed] J. S. Forbes
Secretary.

In Cons. 7th March 1856
After No. 731

P.S. Since the above letter was written, the Board have received the accompanying Communication from the Collector of South Arcot, which they desire me to submit for the orders of Government.

2. Mr. Hall has, it will be observed, taken charge of the Press ordered to be transferred to him from the Educational department, but the Tamil type which had been borrowed from Pondicherry, has been returned to the lender. The Press is therefore the Collector says, comparatively useless, and its establishment an unprofitable expense to Government. He has accordingly applied to the Director of Public Instruction for the type intended for the Cuddalore Press but with held under sanction of Government in Extract Minutes consultation 22nd February 1856. The Board however propose to

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send to the Collector at Cuddalore the Type designed for Coimbatore, and to transfer to Mr. Arbuthnot the wooden Press with its cases and furniture originally intended for that District. By this arrangement South Arcot will be supplied with a Press instead of Coimbatore which latter District will be furnished with one at some future time. and Mr. Arbuthnot will receive press-ess and furniture in return for what has been transferred from

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from the Educational Department to the Collector of South Arcot.

3. With reference to para 14 of Mr. Hall's letter the Board request that as the wooden press will now be transferred to the Director of Public Instruction he may be authorized to purchase the second hand wooden Press which he states in likely to be had at Pondicherry for 60 Rupees.

4. The Board will intimate to Mr. Hall that instead of cutting down the Salaries of upwards of 70 people, as he proposes to do, to save a sufficiency to meet the expenses of the Press, it would be preferable to dispense wholly with the services of a few hands, where they can most conveniently be spared. This measure might be carried out without hardship, by such transfers to posts which may become vacant by casualties or by the Superannuation of the incumbents as will enable the Collector to meet the requirements of the new Press.

The remaining portions of Mr. Hall's letter require no observations from the Board.

/Sig.d/ G. S. Forbes.
Secretary

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To,

G. S. Forbes Esqr.
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

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Bd. No. 479

From the Collector of Chingleput, Sir,

I have the honor to forward a translate of a Plaint in Suit No. 1 of 1856 filed in the Principal Sudr Ameens Court at Chingleput by certain Inhabitants of Carnay in the Sydapet Taluk seeking the restoration of certain waste lands leased out by me to one Soorasaib under the rules prescribed by the Board of Revenue for the grant of cowles for waste lands.—

2 The Circumstances under which the lands in question were rented out are concisely setforth in the accompanying draft of an answer proposed to be filed, from which it will be seen that the lands claimed by the Plaintiffs are the bonafide property of Government and do not belong to them who are not the merasdars of the Village. I beg therefore to request the sanction of the Board to defend the suit at the public expense.—

Chingleput District.
Collectors Catcherry.
Sydapet 8th February 1856

/Signed/ C. I. Shubrick
Collector

No. 1
Translation

To M. R. R.
The Principal Sudder Ameen of Chingleput

The humble Petition of the Court

Court Vakeel Kistina Row on behalf of Aroomooga Modelly & 55 in number being the meerasdars and the Merchants residing in the Village of caranay in the Sydapet Talook versus Mr Shubrick Collector of Chingleput and residing in Sydapet, and Toorasahib / fathers name unknown / residing in the said Village of caranay

The Plaintiffs pray for orders to oust the 2d Defendant from the posession of 2 3/8 Cawnies of burying ground in Caranay valued at Rs 115 and the trees situated thereon to the value of 85 Rupees and to cancel the Cawle issued to the 2d defendant by the 1st defendant for the same

The Plaintiffs are the meerasdars of Caranay of 3-4 as Cawnies composing No 179 & they allowed one Cawney to Certain washermen for building houses on and collect swaituntrums from them for the same, and 3 5/8 as of land is overgrown with Prickly Peer. The remaining Cawnies 2 4/8 and Cs 2 No 180 on the South side thereof and 10/8 No 178 to the east of No 179 giving a total of Cawnies 8-14/8 are used as the burning place in the said Village and People select different spots on the said grounds for the burning & interment of corpses. As the River lies to the south of land No 180 the 2 Cawnies composing the same

has gradually merged into the River and when freshes come down not only the above 2 Cawnies are over flooded but likewise a portion of land No 179; on such occasions the only grounds available for burning purposes are No 179 & 178. The dead bodies have to be conveyed thro' land & No 179 so as to be burnt on No 178 close to these Nos 178 & 179 on the north are situated the gardens of Lawyer Chennatumby Moodelliar and of Mr Arathoon, in consequence of which there is no other way to get to No 178 than thro No 179. The Plaintiffs about 4 Months ago understanding that out of Cawnies 3-4 as No 179 the 2d defendant tendered a Durcast to the 1st defendant for an extent of 2 3/8 Cawnies, which lies on one level fit for burning Corpses with certain number of trees planted for affording shade, presented an Urzee stating that the same being a burning ground no Cawle should be granted, and agreed to pay Teerwah in the event of a Cawle being granted to them but the 1st defendant not Complying with there request issued a Cawle about 2 Months ago to the 2d defendant who is now encompassing the land with a hedge in view to taking posession of the same.

If the said Cawle land becomes the

the property of the 2d defendant, the Plaintiffs will be put to great inconvenience for want of a burning place, and they therefore pray that your Court will be pleased to pass a decree ousting the 2d Defendant from on the possession of 2 3/8 cawnies valued at Rupees 115 and the trees situated thereon valued at Rupees 35, and cancelling the Cawle which he obtained from the 1st Defendant for the same

30th November 1855 /Signed/ Kistna Row

Court Vakeel

/True Translation/

/Signed/ C. I. Shubrick

Collector

No. 2

Draft of a Proposed answer to Plaint No. 1 of 1856 on the file of the Principal Sudr Ameens Court.—

1 The Plaintiffs seek on the ground of their being Merassidars, the restoration of 2 3/8 Cawnies of land in the Village of Carney, valued at Rupees 115. and the trees situated thereon estimated at Rupees 35 which were leased out by the Collector to one Thoora Sait in April 1855. Neither Bernard's Jarapuddy nor the Pymash accounts, show that the Plaintiffs are the Merassidars or Proprietors of the soil, their names being merely recorded therein as residents, having no land to cultivate and paying no land tax to Government. They are weavers by profession. Their statement that they are in the receipt of Swatantrums for the building sites occupied by certain washermen is either wholly unfounded or ~~is an exaggeration~~ extortion on their part. The burning ground allotted for the Village is not 5 7/8 Cawnies as set forth in the Plaint but only 2 5/8 entered in the Pymash accounts as rent free. The 2 3/8 Cawnies of land represented by the Plaintiffs as belonging to the

the burning ground is entered in the said accounts as immemorial waste and had been formerly leased out by this Department to one Mundy Soobbier so far back as 1839, but was again resigned by him in favor of Government for want of means to im= =prove it. The Plaintiffs took no exception to this lease at the time which they would have done if they had conceived they had a right to the land. Ground No. 179 is waste land and does not form the Road leading to the burning ground as alleged but there is a distinct path-way passing through 2 or 3 Cawnies by which the bodies have invariably been carried.—

2 The 2 3/8 Cawnies of lands claimed by the Plaintiffs as burning ground having been reported upon by the Tahsildar of the Sydapet Taluk as immemorial waste were leased out by the Collector to the 2d Defendant agreeably with the rules pres= =cribed by the Board of Revenue for the grant of Cowles for waste lands and were inspected by the Collector on the Plaintiffs solicitation who satisfied himself personally on the spot that the difficulties they made

in regard to the conveyance of corpses by the grant of the lease were of their own creation and had no real existence. The Plaintiffs are not the Proprietors of the land and the trees belong to Government. They never offered to pay rent as for the land as maintained by them prior to the application of the 2d Defendant Toorah Saib for the Cowle.—

3 The transfer of the lands in dispute to the 2d Defendant in no way interferes with the convenience and comforts of the Plaintiffs who have a distinct and separate burning ground and their assertion that the land leased to ~~their claims for the same being a distinct and~~ ~~forming part of the same~~ appears still formed part of it being shewn to be groundless and undeserving of attention the Collector trusts that the suit now preferred against him may be dismissed with costs

/Signed/ C. S. Shubrick
Collector

Ordered to be submitted with the following letter.—

To

Fort Saint George 7th March 1856

To

The Secretary to

Government

Sir

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to submit, for the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying letter from the Collector of Chingleput, dated 8th February 1856, forwarding, translation of a plaint filed against him and another, in Original Suit No 1 of 1856, in the Principal Sudr Ameens Court, with draft of the answer he proposes to file, and soliciting authority for conducting the defence at the public cost.—

2 The Collector, it will be seen, has leased out to one Toora Sahib, under the Cowle rules for waste land 2 3/8 Cawnies of waste, and the object of the Suit is to have this Cowle cancelled.—

3 The Plaintiffs, 55 in Number, state that they are the Meerasdars of the Village that the land granted to Toora Sahib forms a portion of the grounds set a part for burnings and interments, and that by its enclosure, they will be debarred from access to the usual place for burning corpses

4 The Collector in his draft answer

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No 708

To the Secretary to Government

Submitting a letter from the Collr of Chingleput forwarding translation of a Plaint filed against him and another in Or. No 1 of 1856 in the Pl. Sudr Ameens Court with draft of answer, and recommending that the Collr may be authorized to file the proposed answer as modified by the Board and to conduct the defence at the expense of Government

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answer, denies these various statements. He says that the Plaintiffs are not Meerasdars their names being merely entered in Bernards Tarapuddy and the Pymash accounts as residents having no land to cultivate and paying no land tax to Government. They are weavers by profession. there is a burning ground set apart for the Village, rent free, to which there is a distinct pathway by which the bodies have been invariably carried. The land in dispute is entered in the Pymash accounts as Immemorial as waste. it was leased in 1839 to another party without remonstrance from Plaintiffs and at their request the Collector inspected the land upon its being made over to Toora Sahib, and satisfied himself that its transfer to that individual in no way interfered with the convenience or comfort of the Plaintiffs.—

5 The Board have made a few slight corrections in the draft answer, and recommend that the Collector may be authorized to file it as modified, and to conduct the defence at the expense of Government.—

Revenue Board Office
Fort St George
7th March 1856

Signed G. S. Forbes
Secretary

To

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No. 12

To

G. S. Forbes Esqr.
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

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R. 8-703
From the Collr of Malabar

Sir

I have the honor to submit the accompanying letter from the Acting Head Assistant in charge of the Tellicherry division, and to report for the information of the Board, that I have authorized Mr Thomas to continue the suspension of the Tahsildar of cherakul, until I can examine the record connected with his enquiries, and until a full examination can be made into the conduct of the Tahsildar in regard to a defalcation in his Treasury discovered in 1854, and into which an enquiry has been making but no final orders passed up to this date.—

Calicut
21st February 1856

I have &c
(Signed) T. Clarke
Collector

No. 1

To

T. Clarke Esqr
Collector of Malabar

Sir

I have the honor to report to

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to you the results of an enquiry I have found it necessary to make into the conduct of the Tahsildar of the Cherikal Talook.

I have for some time back had various reports and petitions against his conduct, but they were most of them either anonymous or so general and vague that I was unable to take them up, at length however repeated and specific complaints of his venality in two particular instances which had lately been before him necessitated an enquiry being made.—

These two cases were a murder and a question of possession of property. I received the first definite petition regarding the former on the 9th January and commenced the enquiry on the spot on the 11th, the subject of the latter question also was in the same neighbourhood and was enquired into there.—

In prosecuting the enquiries I though it necessary to direct the Tahsildar to absent himself from the neighbourhood for a time, I then obtained all the evidence I could and when

when I returned to Tellicharry confronted the witnesses with the Tahsildar and allowed him to put what question he liked - in two or three instances I pointed out to him that the question was so irrelevant and trivial as to be useless when he generally withdrew them, of course however every answer that he wished was entered and I need not say that every step was taken to prevent collusion and that I left no means untried to satisfy myself regarding the real facts of the case.—

When called upon to give what reply he wished, the Tahsildar satisfied himself with giving only a short one at the time requesting to be allowed to send in his full defence afterwards, to which I of course consented, giving him one day more than he asked; I regret to say however that it has never reached me.—

I will now beg your notice to the first case. that connected with the murder.

The complainant Appoo
/brother

/brother to the murdered man/ having sworn before me to a written complaint to the effect, that his brother, had been murdered, that the Tahsildar had reported falsely upon it, and that he had done so, for a bribe, brought witnesses to prove all those points; the depositions relating to the murder I have sent to Court with the case those connected with the charge of bribery, together with copies of two others containing a reference to the same/one the involuntary testimony of a man who came forward with a view to exculpate Coonjee Ramen from the chief blame in the murder case/together with a petition and 3 anonymous letters I have sent herewith.—

In these the Tahsildar is clearly proved to have received money from Coonjee Ramen on condition of hushing up the murder.—

All the circumstances of the occurrence are most minutely related, and though this very fact might lead one at first sight to suspect the authenticity of the

the evidence, yet it appears to me that by far the greater part of these trivial par=ticulars having been elicited by questions put on the spot by the Defendant, and his utmost efforts failing to establish any discrepancies worth noticing between the depositions of the witnesses, though all collusion was carefully and, I am con=vinced, effectually prevented, we cannot reasonably deny to them that credibility that they claim.—

Since however it sometimes happens that accusations though well borne out by witnesses, afterwards turn out to be false and malicious, it will be well to ascertain as far as possible from indepen=dant sources, the probability or otherwise of the truth of the above charge, i.e. I would wish to know independant of the charge of bribery, whether the Tahsildar's conduct of the whole enquiry and report on the murder case was correct or otherwise should it appear that it was so there might be reason to look with suspicion on the charge brought against him, but should it on the contrary appear,

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as I hope to shew, that in more than one point, his conduct is unsatisfactory, and such as must any how have subjected him to grave suspicion, then I consider we must look to this specific charge as merely bringing to light what would otherwise have been only suspected and inexplicable.—

Three weeks after the commission of the murder the Tahsildar reported, after an 8 days enquiry on the spot, that he was unable to discover the real facts of the case - but at the same time throwing suspicion on the Adighary of the Village and recommending his suspension, he also apprehended 7 persons on suspicion.—

The ground of suspicion against the Adighary was, that a piece of land had lately been made over to him, to the transfer of which the deceased man had been an obstacle and that consequently he had caused or connived at his being quietly put out of the way: whether the land in question was truly thus made over or not. I was unable at the time clearly to ascertain, but the position of the deceased was

deposed

deposed by several Witnesses to have been such as could not in the least have affected the arrangement, In looking about for some more probable account of the motive that could have prompted such a deed, we find in the Tahsildar's enquiry a Statement which immediately suggests itself as a sufficient and probable one, but of which nevertheless, the Tahsildar takes but slight notice: it is this, the deceased is said to have had illicit intercourse with the wife of a man named Kary, who again had the same with deceased's sister - This man Kary is not among those whom the Tahsildar apprehended, his wife does not seem to have been sent for or questioned, and what blame or suspicion attaches in the matter is laid by the Tahsildar on Kary's father rather than himself. —

When I reached the spot Kary's wife, I learnt, had been removed to another part of the country and another woman substituted in her place, and though as is usual on occasions when officials are concerned, I had the greatest difficulty in

in getting any one to come forward in the matter, there was one point on which no one cared to withhold their opinion, the whole country pointed to Kary's wife as the cause, and himself as the murderer yet the Tahsildar had left them both at large. —

The conduct does indeed require explanation and none seems so probable as that brought forward by the Complainant Vizt that Kary is a dependant of Coonjee Ramen's and that he [Coonjee Ramen] bribed the Tahsildar to shelter the former and throw the blame on his old enemy the Adeghary. —

During the 8 days that the Tahsildar was making the enquiry on the spot he staid at the house of Coonjee Ramen and when I desired him to return and resume the enquiry he again spent the 2 days that he was there at Coonjee Ramen's house. —

I find from the records that the Tahsildar was fined Rupees 10 in 1854 for giving a collusive report in an assault case in which Coonjee Ramen's people were concerned

I will now turn to the other charge which is that, for a sum of money received the Tahsildar gave a wrong decision regarding the possession of some property. —

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Fort Saint George 7th March 1856

In this, as in the others, the freest cross questioning has only tended to establish a remarkable degree of coincidence between the different depositions.—

Turning, as in the former case, from this direct to an indirect view of the question, I found on looking into the case when appealed to me that the Tahsildar had gone out of his way to give a decision essentially civil and depending not so much on possession as on the character of a document. I had occasion to reverse it.—

The party favored by the decision of the Tahsildar is the wealthier of the two, and I found that coonjee Ramen's interests were also on the same side, though his name does not appear in the list of complainants and Defendants.

On a review of the whole question I am fully of opinion that the Tahsildar received bribes, and that his decision was accordingly swayed in both the above instances, and I would suggest that as a punishment to himself and a warning to others, he be dismissed from the Public service. I have directed the Sheristadar of the Taloork to act in the place of the Tahsildar till the conclusion of the enquiry.

(Signed) C. E. G. Thomas
Asst. Asst. Collector

(True Copy)
(Signed) T. Clarke
Collector

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B. No. 714
Proceedings thereon

The Board will await the Collector's report after he has examined the records of the cases referred to.—

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Fort St. George 7th March 1856.

No. 64.

To,
G. S. Forbes Esqre.
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.
Fort St. George.

(196)

B. No. 720.
From the Collector of Tinnevelly—

Sir,

Nellambalum. Ootapedarum. Tencassy and Streevelly pootoor

I have the honor to forward an advertisement for the sale of certain lands in the 4 Talooks noted in the Margin, for the recovery of arrears of Land Revenue due for Fasly 1264 by the holders amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 1116-4-0-

As it has been ascertained by enquiry that the arrears are really and fairly due by the parties, and that there is no prospect of recovering the same unless it is shewn that active measures will be taken, I beg to request that you will at your earliest convenience be pleased to procure the sanction of the Board authorizing the sale in question.—

Tinnevelly 23d February 1856.

(Signed) J. Silver.
Collector

Statement

Meerasi Ganaperacasum Pillay	Do:	Do:	Do:			614			47/64					
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				Poonjah		Village			13 58/64			78	13 9	49 4 7
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				Poonjah		Village			18 7/64			102	8 6	61 1 14
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				Poonjah					14 9/64			23	16 6	14 12 7

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From Clerk George, 4th Collr 4th April

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others, he be dismissed from the Public service. I am
directed by the Sheristadar of the Board to act in the
place of the Collector until the conclusion of the appeal

Signed C. L. Thanes
Dy Sheristadar

True Copy
Signed J. T. Clarke
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To Boardsville and the Collector
he has commit the record of the case referred to.

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Fort St. George 7th March 1856.

Statement of the Lands to be sold.

Defaulters name.	Description of the lands. Talook	Village	Whether Nunjah Poonjah &c.	Fields. Number of Kumut	Number of the Sear or field.	Extent	Assessment.	Amount exclusive of arrears payable for the Current Fasly.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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Coomaroovaloo and Puttamadeya Pillay	Nellumbalum	Kealputtoo	Nunjah	2	5 " 1	" " 3/8	" 2 1	" 2 1
Veeravagoo Pillay	Do.	Kundeapanny	Do.	21	4 " 1	" 1 5	1 9 4	1 1 6
				2	4 " 1	" 3 1		
Vycoondum Pillay	Ottapedarum	Aulumpitty	Do.	"	6 " 1	" 1 6 6/8	1 5 4	1 5 4
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Alagappa Pillay son of Chedumbrum Pillay	Do:	Do:	Do:		2	3	u	1		2	5	u	11	3	u	11	3		
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			Poonjah		Village					18 7/64	u	u	102	8	6	6 4	1	4	
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			Poonjah							4 9/64	u	u	23	18	6	14	12	7	

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										No.	m.	m.	Rs.	A.	Rs.	A.
Vengatachellamien	Tencawsey	Reelapavoor	Nunjah	2	7/8	"	2	"	7	7 3/8						
				3	23	"	1	"	5	2 7/8	8	5	7	8	5	7
				5	8	"	1	"	9	7/8						
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									"	10	4					
Mahomed Rowten	Do.	Cumbanaury Poothoocoody	Do.	1	2990	"	8	"	20	4/8	11	4	9	11	4	9
Mottiem	Do.	Do.	Do.	3	3002	"	4	"	4	6						
					3004	"	1	"	3	5/2						
					3005	"	4	"	15							
				4	3006	"	2	"	11	5 6/8	38	5	10	38	5	10
				6	3024	"	3	"	7	4						
					3025	"	2	"	11	3/8						
									2	11	5 3/8					
Sadgoppa Pillay	Do.	Cadyanellore	Do.	9	1/2	"	8	"	13	2	7	9	8	7	9	8
Causey Soobhien	Do.	Do.	Do.	10	1	"	1	"	5	2	2	15	2	2	15	2
Teeroovengadamien	Do.	Do.	Do.	5	12/12	"	9	1	2	4	13	7	10	13	7	10
Cooppa Shroathry	Do.	Do.	Do.	1	10	"	10	1	13	5 2/8	18	2	9	18	2	9
Vesovanathien & Mottem Soobramanya Pillay	Do.	Do.	Poonjah	"	86	"	"	16/64	"	"	"	12	"	"	7	6
Annamalie Swamy Covil Pumy Mottem Soobra=manya Pillay	Do.	Do.	Nunjah	1	5	"	5	"	20	5/8	11	13	3	11	13	3
Mottem Soobramanya Pillay	Do.	Do.	Do.	8	4	"	2	"	10	4	6	"	5	6	"	5
				9	"											
				10	"											

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									No		Ms	Rs	As	Ps	Rs	As
Soobramoneya Pillay	Tencausey Cadiavelloor	Nunjah		3	3	a	1	a	3	3 6/8		1	15	9	1	15 9
		Poonjah		5	8	a	a		38/64							
				a	15	a	a		62/64							
				a	110	a	a		18/64							
				6	64	a	a		58/64			16	10	11	16	6 10
				a	59	a	a	1	38/64							
				a	7	a	a		21/64							
									4 41/64		a a					
Cauthecinathanatha Pillay	Do.	Do.	Nunjah	2	6	a	1	a			12 2	7	a	7	7	a 7
Soobramonien a Gold Smith	Do.	Do.	Poonjah	1	3	a	a		8/64		a a	a	16		a	a 11
Vythee Iyen, son of a Calacavel Naranien	Do.	Do.	Nunjah	1	a	a	10	1	a	a	12	1	a	12	1	a
Ramaswistna Sastry	Do.	Do.	Do.	2	1	a	2	a	9	3/8						
				3	14	a	1	a	6	2 5/8		9	a	6	9	a 6
									a	15 6						
Chittrasuttra Nandan	Do.	Colasagrapulty	Nunjah		6	a	1	a	2	1 4/8						
					14	a	1	a	1	3						
				1	21	a	2	a	3	7						
					34	a	1	a	2	2						
					36	a	1	4	1	4 2/8		11	3	7	11	3 7
					37	a	1	a	2	6						
					10	a	4	4	5	a						
					17	a	2	a	4	6						
				2	30	a	1	4	2	5						
					33	a	2	a	2	6						
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		Poonjah			596	a	a		55/57		a a					
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Sevanananjah Aurmoogum	Do.	Do.	Do.	a	750	a	a	1	a	a	3	1	3	1	14	9
Vundiemaliam Aurmoogum	Do.	Do.	Do.	4	93	a	a	36/64		a	1	11	8	1	1	4
Veerabagoo	Do.	Do.	Do.	4	375	a	a	12/64		a	a	9	3	4	5	10

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										Lb	M	Ms	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P
Maudewillien & Vythieyen	Tencausey	Coolasagarapully	Poonjah		4	541	0	0	32/64	-	0	1	8	7	0	15	4
Sinna Karoovaloo	Do:	Do:	Do:		4	145	0	0	36/64	0	0	2	8	0	1	9	0
					0	353	0	0	16/64	0	0						
Sungarandy Vythieyen	Do:	Do:	Do:		4	243	0	0	19/64	0	0	0	11	8	0	9	2
Aurcomoogum son of Vythierthan	Do:	Do:	Do:		0	44	0	0	30/64	0	0	3	12	1	2	5	7
			Tope trees		0	0	0	0	70	0	0						
Poothoopaliem Moorogum	Do:	Do:	Poonjah		0	102	0	0	9/64	0	0	0	15	0	0	9	8
Oolaganatha Pillay and Sellapperoomal Pillay	Do:	Do:	Nunjah		1	14	0	4	0	4	7	4	12	11	4	12	11
					1	15	0	4	0	4	7						
					2	29	0	1	0	3	14/8						
					5	12	0	1	0	0	2						
									0	13	1 4/8						
Theivanayagum Pillay	Do:	Cusbah Tencausey	Poonjah		0	221	0	0	32/64	0	0	1	9	0	0	15	7
Veerabudra Pillay	Do:	Do:	Do:		0	118	0	0	12/64	0	0	0	9	6	0	6	0
Thavasee Tayen	Do:	Do:	Nunjah		1	16	0	1	0	5	6 6/8	3	3	1	3	3	1
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									1	15	5 7/8						
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					12	3	0	0	0	10	0	18	12	0	18	12	0
					0	1	0	4	0	10	0						
									1	9	0						
Aatthoor Vengadakistna Sastry	Do:	Do:	Do:		11	11	0	0	1	0	0						
Gopala Pauntregar	Do:	Do:	Do:		0	0	0	0	0	12	0						
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									2	4	4 1/8						
Sinna Vengadapathee Iyengar	Do:	Do:	Do:		6	6	0	0	0	9	4	5	9	11	5	9	11

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B. No. 710.

Proceedings thereon -

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Under the circumstances represented in the foregoing letter, the Board of Revenue authorize the sale of arrears of Revenue of the Lands as alluded to, and direct the publication in their Office of the Advertisement forwarded by the Collector, Tuesday the 8th April next being fixed for the day of sale - Mr. Silver will be pleased to make a corresponding correction in the Advertisement published in the District.-

No. 21

To,
G. S. Forbes Esqre.
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.
Fort St. George.

(198)

B. No. 774

From the Collector of Vizagapatam

Submitting an explanation as to how the Price Current is framed in this District that the Establishing of a public Market is not needed and that to insist upon the use of one uniform set of weights is in his opinion simply impracticable-

Sir,

In reply to your circular letter of the 21st November last, I have the honor to state that the Monthly return of prices furnished to the Board of Revenue from this District are the whole sale prices that have ruled during the Month in the Ten principal Towns of the District marginally noted - These places are the stations either of a Revenue ameen or a Head of Police, where large wholesale markets exist some of these places

1 - Vizagapatam
2 Vizianagrum
3 Bobbely
4 Salloor
5 Parvatepoor
6 Palcundah
7 Surwasiddy
8 Anakapally
9 Golgondah
10 Madegole.

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				No	In.	Rs	As	Rs.	As
Vadamaleer Assamies	Streets	Vutteroy	Nunjah						
	Portion	Cross Ploo		2	"	13	8	1	11
Seeremaitt Iengum				"	"				
Sashatry Iyengar		Do.	Do.	5	"	104	6	8	9
Peroomaul Iyengar and									
Vynatheia Assavy		Do.	Do.	"	"	9	"	118	2
Moovaraventen Vengadavorien		Do.	Do.	1	"	13	15/8	1	5
Arriyaramien		Do.	Do.	3	1/3	1	65 1/8	1	3
Ramalingum		Do.	Do.	"	"		20/64		
Valoo Mannoor Seromaliengar		Do.	Do.	4	2	20	3	2	12
				Total		38	11	65 5/8	10
			Nunjah			63	55/64		
			Ponjah			10		260	8
			Pepe						
Grand Total								632	10

(True Copy)
(Signed) G. S. Forbes.
Secretary.

E. E. Fr. (Signed) J. Silver
Collector.

Note. The assessment of Nunjah land which is entered in the second column at the Colongoe Rate and the Nunjah purchasers are informed that the Settlement will be made and on the customary principles.

Tuneerally
23d February 1856.

are on the coast and some in the interior as Vizianagaram, Salloor and Bobbely and others are at the foot of the range of Hills which separate this District from Nagpoor - The wholesale prices of these Markets are reported and the average of the rates is transmitted to the Board -

2. The principal grains produced in this District are noted in the Margin, but the Bazar rates of the first seven only are reported to the Board In many places the Oil seeds form a considerable extent of the Cultivation on dry lands, as the price of this produce has risen enormously of late years cane cultivation also in some Talooks is largely pursued - It is sold by the Ryots as a manufactured article called Jaggery. The prices of these articles exercise a sensible influence on the agricultural prosperity of this District. Of some of these staple articles the extent of Cultivation might be roughly computed - Of others again from the difficulty of getting returns from the Zemindars, it would be mere guess work to compute the extent of Cultivation -

1 Paddy
2 Jamalloo
3 Guntaloo
4 Chellos
5 Black Grain Menoomoloo
6 Horse Grain
7 Pasaloo or Green Grain
8 Gingely Oil seeds
9 Lamp Do. Do.
10 Cundooloo -

3- I believe that the prices actually sent in these returns are sufficiently Great current for all practical purposes - The prices at all places within

within a moderate distance from the coast fluctuate very slightly - The price of Paddy in this District is fixed in January when the season to the Southward has declared itself, and to a large extent the wholesale price then struck is the Ryots rate by which his rent is to be paid - The great bulk of the Crop is then disposed of at the rates fixed upon by the producers and the Merchants - The few wealthy Farmers only hold for better prices - The greatest sales occur in February Towards the close of the Fasly year the prices almost invariably advance to the extent of at least ten per Cent -

4- The Board desire to know whether the Establishment of public Markets would be acceptable to the people - In every Talook of this District there are weekly markets in a great number of Villages just as there are Established market days in the country Towns in England. The Ryots from the neighbourhood attend and talk about the prices obtainable, and make contracts for delivery according to circumstances - No interference is needed in these points -

There

5. There are of course a great variety of measures in use in this District. They are converted into an imperial Garce of 4800 seers. The enforcement of one uniform system of weights or measures in a District is simply impracticable in my judgment.

Vizagapatam, Madegole Collector's Circuit Cutcherry, 25th February 1856.

(Signed) P. B. Smollet
Collector.

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Order thereon - Ordered to lie over.

No. 28.

To,
G. S. Forbes Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.
Fort St. George.

200.
B. No. 726.
From the Collector of Coimbatore

Sir,

I have the honor to forward Copy of a letter from Captain Morgan 13th Regiment Native Infantry 2d Assistant Civil Engineer 7th Divn for 2 pieces of Land at Ootacamund for himself and for Mrs Rae, measuring 8 Cawnies as per accompanying Plan and to request the sanction of the Board, for putting

putting the same to public auction, as its occupation by the said Gentleman and Mrs Rae appears unobjectionable whether on public or private grounds.

2. A specification of the ground applied for is enclosed herein.

Coimbatore, Collector's Office, Ootacamund, 26th February 1856.

(Signed) E. B. Thomas.
Collector.

Enc. 1.

To,
E. B. Thomas Esqre
Collector Coimbatore.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward an application on the part of Mrs Rae and myself, for a piece of ground situated to the North of the club and Mr Joachims ground. The piece applied for by Mrs Rae measures three Cawnies and a half and mine four and a half Cawnies. I propose to plant the ground with scotch firs and the acaciarobusta. to clear the Jungle in the small Sholah (which at present is a harbour for Panthers

and

and Porcupines) and to plant Rye grass the present trees will be carefully prescived - Jenclose a Survey of the ground -

Ootacamund
February 23d
1856.

(Signed) H: R. Morgan Captain
13th Regiment N.I.
2d Asstt. Civil Engineer

(True Copy)
(Signed) E: B: Thomas.
Collector.

Encre 3.

Memorandum -

Captain H: R: Morgan applies for 2 pieces of land at Ootacamund for himself and Mrs Rae for planting Trees, measuring eight Cawnies as per accompanying Plan - It is bounded on the North by Club and Mr Joachims ground, on the South by a Road to club, on the east by Rocks and Road to Mr Hodges, and on the west by a Road to Tiger Hall and its occupancy by Captain Morgan and Mr Rae appears unobjectionable whether on Public or private grounds - The upset price thereon calculated at 8 years Quit rent amounts to Rupees 73-5-4 at 1-2-4 per Cawnie per annum -

Ootacamund
26th February 1856.

(Signed) E: B: Thomas
Collector.

B. No. 713.

Proceedings thereon.

200-201

Under paras 6 and 7 of the manual of Instructions for the grant of lands on the Neilgherry Hills, the Board of Revenue agreeably to the recommendation of the Collector, direct that the land applied for by Captain Morgan for himself and Mrs Rae, consisting of eight Cawnies be put up to public auction at the upset price of Rs 73-5-4 calculated at 8 years Quit Rent and that it be knocked down to the highest bidder or to the applicants if there be no advance upon the upset price subject to the conditions and limitations of the said manual -

No. 675.

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Memorandum.

Memo:
B. No. 665.

From the Town Major
Madras

In reply to Official Memorandum No. 361. of the 7th Instant. The Town Major has the honor to inform the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue that the Right Honorable the Governor has had in contemplation for some time past the esctension of the portion of the Revenue Board Office lately occupied by the Public Work Department over the portion of ground

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ground on which the Board now solicit permission to erect stabling.-

Town Major's Office,
Fort St. George,
26th February 1856.

(Signed) T. Thompson.
Town Major.

202-203
Order thereon.- Ordered to lie over.-

No. 39.

To,
G. S. Forbes Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.
Fort St. George.

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Bo. No. 721.

From the Collector of South Arcot

Sir,

John Pugh Esqre having on behalf of the Firm of Parry + and Co. of Madras personally applied to me for a License to establish a Distillery at Trevanellore in the Elavanasoore Talook of this District for the purpose of manufacturing spirits after the European Process of Distillation, I have the honor to request the Board's authority for granting him one, on his executing the counter-part, prepared agreeably to the form which accompanied the Board's Circular letter dated 26th February 1846-

+ Partners.
John Ellis
Joseph Goldom
Henry Nelson
William Hamilton.
Crake.
John Pugh-

South Arcot,
Collector's Cutcherry,
Cuddalore,
28th February 1856.

(Signed) A. Hall
Collector.

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Bo. No. 721.

Proceedings thereon.

204-205.

The Board of Revenue authorize the Collector of South Arcot to grant to Mr. John Pugh a license for distilling spirits after the European process-

No. 19.

To,
G. S. Forbes Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.
Fort St. George.

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Bo. No. 772

From Actg. Collector of Canara

Sir,

With reference to Extract Proceedings of the Board of Revenue under date the 18th December last, I have now the honor to submit the following remarks on the Village Moonsiffs Courts of this District-

Reports upon the state of the Village Moonsiffs in Canara-

2. Village Moonsiffs Courts are not much resorted to in Canara as no pay is attached to the Office, and the holders are often poor and generally unequal to the duties they are called on to perform- In some Talooks however, these Courts are said to be held in high estimation, whilst in others it is stated that the reverse is the case, but all agree, that if the position of the Village Moonsiffs was raised and he was selected on account of his qualifications, and not with reference to hereditary claims, unless combined with fitness for the Office the people would look on the establishment of these Courts as a boon-

3. Remuneration where it exists at all is merely nominal-

About

4. About 2/3 of the Village Moonsiffs in this District can read and write, and the hereditary tenure may have had no share in producing this state of things or in preventing amelioration, it will be necessary in future with regard to all Village Officers, that hereditary claims shall only give a the preference where the candidate is competent to undertake the duties of the Office he wishes to obtain.-

5- The state of the Village Police in this District, and measures for its improvement are now under consideration, and as the Office of a Village Moonsiff is generally connected with that of the Potail, it will be fully reported on when a arrangements are submitted as they will be at an early date, for the approval of the Board of Revenue-

6. Ignorance and inefficiency have a rendered these Courts in a great measure inopera:-tive and the Office of Village Moonsiff is held in little consideration or respect except in particular instances, where the character and position of the holder produces a different result- The remedy a seems to be, to attach a marked position to the a Office, with corresponding remuneration to the Moonsiffs-

Collector's Cutcherry,
Mangalore,
29th February 1856-

(Signed) W. Fisher-
Acting Collector.

Order thereon - (206-207) Ordered to be over-

No. 57.

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

(208)

Bd. No. 716
From the Collector
of Nellore.

Sir.

I have the honor to forward for publication in the Boards Office the accompanying advertise:ment together with copy of a Memo:randum of the 27th ultimo received from the Sub Collector for the Sale of land for arrears of revenue and beg to solicit Sanction for the Sales.-

Nellore
Collectors Office
1st March 1856

/Signed/ F. B. Elton
Collector

Memorandum

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Enclosure 1

No. 30

Memorandum

The Sub. Collector has the honor to forward an advertisement for the Sale of Lands at Cheernamoor held in the Talook of Cunnamaulam

Amount of arrears due by Defaulter is Pagodas 9 - 15 - 13 & Fs. 0.

Nellore District
Sub Collectors Office
Tongtoor
27th February 1856

/Signed/ James Innes Minchin
Sub Collector

True Copy
/Signed/ [illegible]

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No. 2

Statement of the lands to be Sold.

Defaulters Name	Description of lands: Talook	Village	whether Dry or wet &c.	No.	Fields: Name	Extent	Assessment	Amount exclusive of arrears payable for current Fasly.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
						Gs 16s 16	Rs A P	Rs A P
V. Raghaviah	Cunama namellor	Cheerva moopa: Lapaud	Dry	"	Baloovoola coontachenoo	2 6 4	13 2 -	5 11 11

Nellore
Sub Collectors Office
Tongtoor
27th February 1856

/Signed/ James Innes Minchin
Sub Collector

Bd. No. 709
Proceedings thereon.—
(208-209)

The Board of Revenue authorize the Sale for arrears of revenue of the lands alluded to in the foregoing letter, and direct the publication in their Office of the Advertisement forwarded by the Collector. Wednesday the 30th April next being fixed for the day of Sale.

No. 13

To. G. S. Forbes Esqre.
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

(210.)

Bd. No. 708
From the Collector of Madura.

Sir

In reply to the Boards Circular of the 16th ultimo No. 122, I have the honor to inform you that the provisions of Act XXX of 1854 were duly made known to the Custom Officers and that no errors such as those noticed in the circular have occurred in this District.

Madura. 1st March 1856.

/Signed/ R. D. Parker
Collector

(210-211) Order thereon.— Ordered to lie over.

Memo

No. 35

(212)

Bd. No. 756
From the Collector of Madras.

Memorandum

The Collector of Madras has the honor to request that the Secretary to the Board of Revenue will furnish him with the Form of Tabular Statement called for in the Extract Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 21st Instant, as no such form was for: warded to this Department.—

Madras. 1st March 1856.

/Signed/ B. Cumliffe
Collector

Ordered that the following Official Memo be sent in reply.

Memorandum

(212-213)

Bd. No. 703
To the Collector of Madras.

With reference to the Official Memorandum from the Collector of Madras dated 1st March 1856, the Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to State that the form in which he should submit his application is contained in the circular Order Book.— Volume 1 page 529.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
7th March 1856.

/Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary

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No. 46.

To G. S. Forbes Esqre.

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Sir

(214)

Bd. No. 778.
From the Collector
of Trichinopoly

Fort St. George

In reply to your Circular No. 515 with Extract from Proceedings of the Board Dated the 25th ultimo. I have the honor to report there are no Pagoda Funds currently accruing in this Treasury.—

2. There is a small afset appertaining to the Surplus Pagoda Funds unexpended amounting to Rupees 11 15 " and which I will take an early opportunity of laying out under the Sanction accorded me on the 13th February 1851 No. 176.—

Trichinopoly
Collectors Office
3 March 1856.

/ Signed / J. Bird
Collector

(214-215.) Order thereon.— Ordered to lie over.—

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No. 46.

(216)

Bd. No. 795
From the Chief
Engineer D. P. W.

Memorandum

Colonel Faber presents his Compliments and begs leave to Send Copies of the Departmental Circulars of the past month under the impression that they convey an amount of information which may take them to a certain degree interesting to the members of the Board of Revenue. The Chief Engineer Department Public Works will have great pleasure in always sending Copies to the Secretary if his doing so will be acceptable to the Board as a token of his wish to afford them all the information in his power.—

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Central Office of Public Works
Fort St. George
4th March 1856.

/ Signed / C. E. Faber, Colonel
Chief Engineer D. P. W.

Ordered that the following Official Memo be sent in reply.—

(216-217)

Bd. No. 918
To the Chief Engineer
D. P. W.

Memorandum

The Board of Revenue have the honor to acknowledge the Circular Orders in

3951

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In the Department of Public Works forwarded the Chief Engineer. The documents contain information that is interesting and useful to Board who will be much alleged by the Continuing to forward Copies of the orders been good enough to furnish.

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Fort St George
7th March 1856

/Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary

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By Order of Government
Dated 7th March 1856
Ordered that the Report of the Collector of Salem dated 29th ultimo on the Petition of Ramasawmy Moodelly and others praying for the Establishment of a Ferry across the River Cauvery at Mohanoor be referred to the Collector of Trichinopoly for his report and opinion thereon.

/Signed/ W. Thackeray
Secretary

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220 Bd. No. 317

Statement shewing the State of the Season in the undermentioned districts during the first and second half of February 1856.

District and Date	Rain fall	State of the Crops and the Cultivation operations	Price whether high or low rising falling or Stationary	Further Remarks
		First half of February		
571 Masulipatam 26th Feby inclusive 1st March	A small quantity fell in some localities	The cropping of Paddy and Punna crops is concluded and that the Pyra crop is nearly over The Dalarah Cultivation in the Colair is progressing though not very extensively.	Falling	
586. Kurnool 28th Feby inclusive 5th March	Slight Showers in the Dhone Taloob.	The Poonasa crops have been reaped and so have the Tubbee crops to some extent and the produce is very favorable except in some Villages of the Dhone Taloob In a few Villages the Wet crops have dried in consequence of an insufficient supply of water.	High	
585 South Arcot 3 inclusive 5th March	No rain.	The rice harvest has been going as well but the crops are not said to be very rich ones scarcely any cultivation is being carried on.	Rising	
587 Tanjore 1st inclusive 5th March	Do.	In the Veeraramburum Villages the Sumbapeshanum crops are being reaped and the outturn is considerably short of the standard in some Cadaramburum Villages the crops have withered and in others they have suffered so much from drought that they yield but scantily.	Have risen a little	
588 Trichinopoly 1st inclusive 5th March	Do.	The Dry Grain has been harvested with fair returns. The paddy crops are nearly all cut and a second crop has been sown in some places and looks well. agriculture has almost ceased for the season.	The same	

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/Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary.

To The Acting Collector of Ganjam

221
Bd. No. 711
To the Acting Collector of Ganjam

Sir

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you that the undermentioned Statements now due have not yet been received in this Office and to request that you will immediately cause their despatch

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Fort St. George
7th March 1856

/Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary

Statements of export and import of Bullion for January 1856.—

222
Bd. No. 722
To the Collector of Chingleput.

To The Collector of Chingleput

Sir

Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co being desirous of Shipping a Cargo of Salt immediately at Covelong for Calcutta on Government Indent. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that

Gazette 1855 Page 1618 that you will be so good as to supply the quantity that may be required with despatch and on the prescribed terms.—

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Fort St. George
7th March 1856

/Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary.

Bd. No. 704
From the Secretary to Government.— Read Extract— Declining for reasons stated to admit the claim of Sal Howed Havildar of 34th Regiment N.I. to certain land in Chintalapoody Zemindary in Masulipatam District.—

223-224
Order thereon.— ordered to be recorded.— Read the undermentioned Statements.—

Bd. No. 34
225
From the Collector of Guntoor.— Statement of Actual charges incurred under Estimate for Fusly 1264.—

226
Bd. No. 249
From the Collector of Timevelly. Statement of actual charges incurred under Estimate for Fusly 1264.—

227
Bd. No. 3553
From the Collector of Bellary. Statement of actual charges incurred under estimate for Fusly 1264.—

226-228
Order on the three abovementioned Statements.... Resolved that the necessary orders be passed.—

Received the undermentioned miscellaneous letters and Statements.—

229.
Mr. No. 604
From the Collector of Chingleput. Statement Comparative between the actual Gross Collections of Fusslies 1263 and 1264.— From

3955 Fort St. George 7th March 1856.

My No 605
From the Collector of Chingleput. Statement Comparative between the actual Gross Collections of
230
231 Fuslies 1263 and 1264.
No 608
From the Collector of Madura. Statement Shewing the quantity of Salt in Store available for exportation
232 to Calcutta on the 29th February 1856.
No 598
From the Collector of North Arcot. Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of Revenue for Feb
233 bruary 1856.
No 599
From the Collector of Trichinopoly. Statement of Demand
234 Collection and Balance of Revenue for February 1856.
No 600
From the Collector of Chingleput. States that no Imports
and exports of Bullion and Specie were made to
235 or from Pulicat for February 1856.
No 602
From the Collector of Rajahmundry. Statement of Salt Petre Shipped on Board the English Vessels for London
236 or Liverpool for January 1856.
Do
From the Acting Collector of Canara. Informs that the Statement of export of Salt Petre for London &c.
237 is blank for last month.
No 603
From the Collector of Sea Customs Madras. Transmitting with reference to Boards letter of 29th ultimo a duplicate copy of the Statement therein called for.—

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No 55

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue—
Monday the 10th March 1856.
Read the following Papers.

No 6046

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Bd No 686
From the Secy. to the Military Board.—
Extract from the Proceedings of the Military Board Under date 2d February 1856.
Read letter from the Acting Secretary Revenue Board.—
(Here enter No 297 dated 31st January 1856)
Resolved to inform the Revenue Board that the papers have been in circulation and are supposed to have been mislaid.—

/True Extract/
/Signed/ A. H. Hope
Secretary.—

To
The Acting Secretary to the Revenue Board.

Bd No 726
Proceedings thereon
238-239
The Board of Revenue regret to find from the above Extract that the original correspondence regarding land measures forwarded by them to the Military Board is supposed to have been mislaid— It is hoped that careful search will be made for the papers and that when found they will be duly returned to this Office.—

To

No. 43

To

G. I. Forbes Esquire
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

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B. No. 504

From the collector. Sea Customs. Madras

Sir

May I beg the favor of your transmitting to me Copy of a letter from the Board of Revenue to Government dated 2d. April 1812 respecting the payment of duty by the Commissariat.—

Sea Custom House. Madras. 11th. February 1856.

/Signed/ W. E. Underwood
Collector Sea Customs

B. No. 730

Order thereon

240-241

Ordered that a copy of the letter applied for by the collector of Sea Customs underdate 11th. February 1856 be furnished him.—

No. 21

To

G. I. Forbes Esqre.
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

242

B. No. 617

From the collector of North Arcot—

Sir

As I shall shortly find it necessary to apply for the appointment of the additional Sub Collector and

Under the circumstances represented in this letter submits

submits for the consideration and orders of the Board of Revenue a proposal to place the Taluks of Cavery pauk under the charge of the Sub-Collector.—

and his Establishment sanctioned Extract Minutes of Consultation 12th. January last communicated with Extract Proceedings Board of Revenue of the 24th. Idem. I have the honor to submit for the consideration of the Board the following proposed alteration in the change of the Sub Collector of this District partly with reference to the appointment of the additional Sub Collector and partly because I think that under any circumstances this change is much to be desired.—

2. The head quarters of the Head Assistant of this District has for some years been the town of Vellore. the importance of the place and the characters of its inhabitants having rendered it highly advisable that a European Magistrate should constantly reside there and the utility of his residence there, has been fully proved. The Head Assistant has under his supervision 2 other Talooks. and I consider that he is sufficiently occupied without adding to his charge.—

3. The Sub Collector resides

at

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at Arcot and has under his care 4 Talooks.
About 14 Months ago I found it necessary
as the dearness of grain had led to grain riots at
Wallajapett to place that town under his charge
as it is but four or five Miles from his
Head Quarters. while it is 30 Miles from
Chittoor. This town has ever since continu=
=ed under the charge of the Sub Collector.—

4 My proposal is to add perma=
=nently the Caveripauk Talook of which
Wallajapett is the Cusbah. to the Sub=
Collectors Division.—

5. The number of Europeans employ
=ed on the railway which runs thro: and the
Paulaur Anicut which is situated in the
Caveripauk Talook render it extremely desirable
that. that talook should be under the authority of
a European Magistrate. who resides persma=
=nently in the neighbourhood. and can. in
those cases in which it is necessary
for a European Magistrate is

to

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to adjudicate. afford speedy redress. At present
redress cannot be obtained by the parties referred
to nearer than thirty Miles.—

5.— Should the Board approve of
this arrangement. I propose to place under the
charge of the additional Sub Collector the
Talooks of Sutvaid. Sholinghur. Chittoor.
and Palamanair Mr. Elliott my Assist=
=ant. would have charge of Chendragherry
and the Police of the Zemindaries of
Calastry and Cavetenuggur.—

I consider it so advisable that
the charge of the whole Talook of Caveripauk
should be at once transferred to the Sub
Collector. that I request the Board
will. if they approve of this proposal. per=
=mit me to carry out the measure without
waiting for the appointment of the additional
Sub Collector.—

7. A case has recently occurred
in which Mr. Lee. a Surveyor employed
at present in the Caveripauk Talook. has
been compelled to appear before a European
Magistrate. and in consequence has had

to

to leave his work. to its injury. as appears from a Note from the Civil Engineer and proceed to Chittoor. a distance of upwards of 30 Miles. while. had the Caveripauk Talook been under the charge of the Joint Magistrate. he would not have had to go more than 10 or 12 Miles to have the case. in which he is concerned adjudicated.—

North Arcot—
Collectors Cutcherry
Chittoor 20th—
February 1856.

/Signed/ C. Whittingham
Collector.—

To
G. S. Forbes Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.—

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B. No. 649
From the Collector of North Arcot.

Sir,

Having forwarded to the Head Assistant Collector in charge of the Sub Division a copy of my letter of the 20th Instant No. 21 to the Board of Revenue. on the subject of an increase of the charge of the Sub Collectorate of this District. he has forwarded to me the accompanying letter which contains a proposal for adding the Vellore instead of the Caverypauk Tallook to the Division of

of the Sub Collectorate.—

2. As the proposal contained in this letter provides equally well with the arrangement recommended by me. for the presence of a European Officer in the vicinity of the Railroad and Annicut. and as in consideration of the importance of the Town of Vellore. it may be considered a preferable arrangement. I beg to recommend its adoption in place of the change suggested in my letter.—

North Arcot.....
Collectors Cutcherry
Chittoor 20th
February 1856.

/Signed/ C. Whittingham
Collector

No. 1

To
C. Whittingham Esqre
Collector of
North Arcot

Sir

With reference to your letter of the 20th Instant No. 92 giving cover to Copy of a letter addressed by you on the same date No. 21 to the Board of Revenue proposing the addition to the Sub Collectorate of North Arcot of the Talook

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Talooks of Cavery pauk for certain reasons therein set forth.— I have the honor as the Sub Division is likely to be for some years under my immediate charge to submit the following remarks for your consideration.—

2 It appears to me that if an addition be made to the present Sub Division it would be more advisable to add the Pullicondah Talook both from its Geographical position being South of the Palaur in common with the four other Talooks. and because it in common with those Talooks was made over from South Arcot in Fusly 1218 and its revenue Settlement is precisely the same as those four Talooks whereas the Cavery pauk Talook is quite different besides being North of the Palaur.—

3. The great desideratum contemplated in your letter to the Board would appear to be the providing for efficient European Superintendence of the Police both at Vellore and at Wallajahnug=gur and its environs with especial reference to the Railway and anicut as regards the latter place.—

4. If the Vellore or Pullicondah Talook be added to the Sub Division as suggested by me instead of the Cavery pauk

Talook

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Talook and the Sub Collector and Joint Magistrates Head Quarters fixed at Vellore there would be a guarantee for that by far the most important town being under the immediate eye of an experienced officer under any circumstances and in my own particular case of an officer who is thoroughly acquainted with the town and its very nu=merous and daily increasing population.—

By this arrangement the important town of Amboor would also be under the Joint Magistrates charge.—

5. The Head Assistant by resid=ing at Raneepett and being placed in charge of the Cavery pauk. Trivellum and Satghur Talooks on the North of the Palaur and perhaps the town only of old Arcot would thus afford the guarantee contemplated by you for the efficient police of Wallajahnuggur the Anicut and the railway line which runs the whole way through the above three Talooks.—

6. You are aware that I am the first European Magistrate sent to reside at Vellore in 1848. and the improvement of the place

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in every possible way has occupied much of my attention for upwards of Eight years and endeavours in that respect have been acknowledged - independent of the reasons above stated. there are improvements and works of utility in Vellore and its environs which originated with me, which are progress and which I should regret to see pass into other hands as a perfect stranger to the district could not be expected to take the same interest in them that I do.—

7. Ranneepett as you know is the cantonment of Arcot and is divided from the old pettah by the Palaur; and is only 2 Miles from Wallajahnuggur and 5 Miles from Trivellum a place that has nearly quadrupled in size since I came to the District and is daily increasing owing to both the Railway and the new Road of Bangalore via Chittoor passing through it.—

North Arcot.
Sub Collectors Circuit
Cutcherry, Chittoor
22d February 1856

/Signed/ A. W. Sullivan
Head Assistant Collector
in charge Sub Division.

/True Copy/
/Signed/ C. Whittingham
Collector.

Under

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(242-244.)

Bd. No. 727

Proceedings thereon.—

Under the circumstances stated by the Collector. the Board of Revenue sanction the transfer of the Velloor Talook to the charge of the Sub Collector. On the understanding that the arrangement entails no inconvenience or expense as regards accommodation for the Head Assistant and his Cutcherry at Ranneepett

No. 35

To.

G. S. Forbes Esqr.
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

(245.)

Bd. No. 667

From the Collector
of Madura

Sir.

With reference to the Proceedings of the Board dated the 1st and received on the 11th Instant

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Instant. I have the honor to state that there are 14 Salt Chowkeys in this District. of which — 3 have double sets of Pans making altogether 17 Weighing places — to each of which I assigned 2 Sets of Scales in my letter of the 22d October last Total — number of Scals 34. —

2. If it is desired to reduce the number as much as possible I would endeavour to do with 27 Scales. being at the rate of 2 to each Chowkey except one Morecolum. where the manufacture and sale is small.—

Madura ....
21st February
1856

/Signed/ R. D. Parker

Collector

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Order thereon. —

Ordered to lie over. —

To

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No. 18

To,

G. S. Forbes Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

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Bd. No. 766

From the Collector of Bellary

Sir,

Referring to the orders of Government as per Margin, I have the honor to inform you that the Naib Sheristadars situation in this District will be vacant in a few days, the present Naib Sheristadar having been appointed to fill the Office of Head Sheristadar of Chingleput. The present Head Sheristadar of the District Nelacuntarow is a Bramin - and it is expected that his successor on his resignation will also be a Brahmin - under the orders above quoted it will consequently be necessary that a man of another caste be appointed to the situation of Naib. But there is no man in this District of a caste not Brahminical whom I could at present select for the Office and must therefore request the Board will nominate a well qualified man for the situation of Deputy Sheristadar of Bellary.

* Extract Minutes Consultation No. 1642 dated 14th December 1854
Extract Proceedings Board of Revenue dated 5th March 1855 No. 494

Bellary
Collectors Office
28th February 1856

/Signed/ C. Petty
Collector

Order

3969 Fort St. George 10th March 1856.

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.-

(247-248.)

Bd No 728

To the Collector of Bellary.-

Sir Cons. 10th March 1856

To The Collector of Bellary

Sir,

Adverting to your letter of the 28th February explaining the difficulty of supplying the place of your late Nair Sheristadar by a duly qualified person not of the Bramin Caste, and requesting that the Board of Revenue should nominate a Nair Sheristadar.

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Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
10th March 1856.

(Signed) G. S. Forbes
Secretary.

To

3970 Fort St. George 10th March 1856

(249)

Bd No 711

From the Civil Auditor.-

Memorandum.-

The Civil Auditor requests to be furnished with a copy of the Circular order of the Board of Revenue No 657 dated 19th March 1855. to enable him to reply to an enquiry made by the Collector of Masulipatam with reference to certain instructions stated to be conveyed in para 12 of that Circular.-

Fort St. George
Civil Auditors Office.
20th February 1856

(Signed) F. Pushington
Civil Auditor

To

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Ordered that the following Official Memorandum be sent in reply.-

(249-250.)

Bd No 725.

To the Civil Auditor.-

Memorandum.-

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to forward to the Civil Auditor a printed Copy of the Circular requested by him.-

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
10th March 1856.

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Secretary

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Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George.... } /Signed/ G. S. Forbes
10th March 1856.. } Secretary.

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Fort St. George.... }
Civil Auditors Office.. } /Signed/ F. Pushington
29th February 1856 } Civil Auditor

To,

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Ordered that the following Official Memorandum be sent in reply:—

(249-250.)

Bd No 725.

Memorandum.—

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Auditor.... }

Revenue Board Office..
Fort St. George... } /Signed/ G. S. Forbes
10th March 1856.. } Secretary

To

3971 Fort St. George 10th March 1856.

No. 62.

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

(251)

Bd No. 786

From the Collector...
of Chingleput....

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 14th November 1855. I have the honor to state that the Memo of Mr Bayly so far as it concerns the land measures of this District is generally correct. With regard however to para 6 I beg to observe that the mamool Cawney has not the same area in all the Brahmin or in all the Sudra Villages but that it varies from ½ to one of the Standard Cawney in the former and it exceeds the standard Cawney in various degrees to within 20 per Cent in the latter Villages. I do not attribute these inequalities to any acts of the native Government whose partiality would have been in favor of the Brahmins but I rather incline to the opinion that the divisions of the lands must have been originally made amongst the Villagers themselves who must have fixed the Mamool Cawney of their respective Villages, and as agraharums or Brahmin Villages where held in Aridicary or in divided shares, whilst those of Sudras or Munnavadoos were generally Pasoongaray, or held in common, the standard of measurement or the Cawney may be supposed to have been assumed at a smaller area in the former, with the view of attaining greater precision in the division of the land which was intended to be permanent and not charged annually or at certain intervals as in sudra Villages held in common where inequalities in the division were therefore of less consequence and remediable —

2. The Cawney of 72,000 Square feet and the Cutta Royer Cawney referred to in Para 4 of the Memo. are obsolete and I have not been able to trace them either in the existing land measures or in the traditions of the inhabitants which renders it doubtful whether they were ever in general use —

Signed/ C. J. Shubrick
Collector

Ordered to lie over —

To

Chingleput District
Collectors Circuit Cutcherry
Saveyoor 14th March 1856

(251-252.)

Order thereon

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No. 42

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

(253.)

Bd No. 751

From the Collector...
of Tanjore....

Sir

I have the honor to request the Boards instructions regarding the abkarry rents for Fusly 1266. with reference to your letter dated the 24th December last —

The rents have hitherto been

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given Talookwar, have always been sold by public auction in the presence of the Collector. and the sale has never been adjourned —

The average aggregate

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sum for which the rents sold — in the past ten years was Rupees 108225. the aggregate of the — highest sums bid in any one of the past ten years was — Rupees 131378 and the aggregate of the lowest Rupees 82420 —

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4 If the rents are to be given as hitherto, talookwar, there will be no objection to fixing the upset price at the lowest of the past ten years, as there will be sufficient competition at the auction to ensure the rent fetching its full value. But if an upset price is to be fixed for the whole Zillah, and the lowest rent of the past ten years be named as the minimum, it is probable that the rent will be knocked down at that sum.

There is not sufficient capital among those who now take the rents to enable them to undertake the rent of the whole Province, and if any capitalist from elsewhere should offer the minimum, no one here will compete with him, and the abkarry revenue will recede to the extent of about 30,000 Rupees.

6 I wish that the rents should be offered at Trangambar about the 15th of May and I request the Boards instructions as to whether, under the circumstances which

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which I have mentioned, I am to advertise an upset price for the whole Zillah, or to confine it to each Talook.

Tanjore ....
Combaconum ...
1st March 1856.

Bd. No. 729

Proceedings thereon.

(253-254)

(Signed) H. Forbes
Collector

The Board of Revenue

authorize the Collector to put up at public auction the abkarry Farms for Fusly 1266 Talookwar as hitherto, for a period of 5 years at the minimum upset price of the average rents of the last 10 years. If suitable offers are not obtained, they are to be put up for one year.

No. 65

To

G. S. Forbes Esqr.
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

(255)

Bd. No. 799

From the Collector of Chingleput ..

Sir,

With reference to Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated the 1st Ultimo, I have the honor to State

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	No. of balances
Chunamboocolum	1
Poongolum	1
Copparelwoy	1
Vadasamenjary	2
Covelong	2
Pycmore	1
Cadoombody	1
Cheyoor	2
Chunambut	2
Porto Novo	1
	14

State that 14 balances are required for the sale of salt in this District as specified in the margin, 4 of which it is desirable should be capable of weighing a larger quantity of Salt than a Maund being required at places where the sales of Salt are considerable and request that arrangements may be made for their being supplied accordingly

Chingleput District.
Collectors Circuit...
Cutcherry.....
Chingleput.....
14th March 1856...

/Signed/ C. J. Shubrick
Collector

255-256.
Order thereon.— Ordered to lie over

To

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No. 47

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

257

Bd. No. 784
From the Collector
of South Arcot...

Sir,

With reference to the Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 25th ultimo No. 546, communicating copy of Extract from Minutes of Consultation under date 5th Idem, and calling for information regarding the Pagoda Funds in this District, I have the honor to state that the sum of Rupees 680-11-5 stands in my accounts as the unappropriated balance of the Fund in question, and that there has been no income currently accruing in this District from such a source since the connection of Government with the Pagodas ceased in 1841 and 1842—

South Arcot.....
Collectors Circuit.....
Cutcherry, Vullavanoor.
4th March 1856...

/Signed/ A. Hall
Collector

Ordered to lie over—

Extract

Order thereon.—

257-258

3975 Fort St. George 10th March 1856.

Sir, I have the honor to state that 14 balances are required for the sale of salt in this District as specified in the margin, 4 of which it is desirable should be capable of weighing a larger quantity of salt than a maund being required at places where the sales of salt are considerable and I request that arrangements may be made for their being supplied accordingly—

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Copaneluoy	1
Vadasamenjary	2
Covelong	2
Pycmore	1
Cadoombedy	1
Chegoor	2
Chunambut	2
Poiche Hoozoor	1
	14

Chingleput District.
Collectors Circuit...
Cutcherry.....
Chingleput.....
14th March 1856...

/Signed/ C. J. Shubrick
Collector

255-256.
Order thereon.— Ordered to lie over

To

3976 Fort St. George 10th March 1856

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Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

257

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/Signed/ A. Hall
Collector

Ordered to lie over...

Order thereon.—

Extract
Extract

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that the Court of Directors of the ~~East~~ East India Company should put the Government of India on their guard against the practice.—

India Board 11th December 1855 } /Signed/ Danby Seymour

To

Sir James C. Melvill. K.C.B

Sir, Vde Vde Vde

The Commissioners for the affairs of India understand that the order of the Lords of the Privy Council against the exportation of Salt petre to Foreign Ports required that Salt petre put on board ship before the order was issued should be re landed.—

The Board are of opinion that the instructions sent to India on this subject should be construed with equal strictness, and they therefore request that the Court of Directors of the East India Company will prepare the draft of a Despatch accordingly.—

India Board December 13th 1855 } /Signed/ H. D. Seymour

/True Copies/
/Signed/ C. Beadon
Secretary to the Govt of India

/True Copies/
/Signed/ F. Pycroft
Chief Secretary

Resolved

3980 Fort St. George 10th March 1866

Resolved that Copy of the above letter and of its enclosure be furnished to the Board of Revenue and that they be requested to address immediate orders to the several Collectors of Maritime Districts putting them on their guard against attempts to export Saltpetre illegally under fictitious names.—

To The President & Members of the Board of Revenue

/True Extract/
/Signed/ F. Pycroft
Chief Secretary

Ordered that the following Circular be addressed to the Collectors of Maritime Districts.—

259-260

Bd No 732 Circular

Circular

Sir, It having been brought to the notice of the Court of Directors that Salt petre is exported from Indian ports under various fictitious descriptions as yellow Alkali &c. the Board of Revenue have been directed by Government to warn you that attempts of this nature require to be specially guarded against. you will accordingly be careful a strict scrutiny shall take place in all cases of Shipments so as to prevent saltpetre being exported under any other designation.—

10th March 1866

Revenue Board Office Fort St George 10th March 1866 } /Signed/ G. S. Forbes Secretary

Resolved that the following letter be despatched.—

261

Bd No 731

To The Collector of Madura

To The Collector of Madura

Sir, I am directed by the Court of Accountant General's Boards to request you will forward to them an Bill for one thousand Rupees made payable to the Secretary and Treasurer to the Madras

3981

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Madras Bank. This amount is intended to be paid into the Bank to the credit of Mr A B. Vatier who appeared at the Sudder Udalut on this day on behalf of the Shevagunga Minor in the matter of Rhotama Nauchiar Petitioner who sought to obtain permission to sue in forma pauperis for the Shevagunga Estate. The Court declined to grant the application and you will debit this sum to the account of the Estate.—

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
10th March 1856

/signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary.—

Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous Letters and Statements.—

262
Mr. No. 613
From the Collector of Nellore. Abstract of Collections and charges in the Nellore Collectorate for Fusly 1264

263
Mr. No. 612
From the Collector of Madras. Statement shewing the Gross Collections, Charges, Net Revenue & the per centage of the disbursements on the Gross Revenue in Fusly 1264.—

264
Mr. No. 610
From the Collector of Nellore. Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of Revenue for February 1856.

265
Mr. No. 609
From the Collector of North Arcot. Statt. of Season for February 1856.—

266
Mr. No. 643
From the Collector of Trichinopoly. Rain Report for February 1856.—

Mr. No. 462
From the Collector of Trichinopoly. Return of Petitions referred to the Collector for disposal, for February 1856.—

267.

Pro:

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No. 56

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Tuesday the 11th March 1856.

Read the following Papers.

Public Department.

268

Bd. No. 338
From the Acting Dy Secretary to Government

Memorandum

The Acting Deputy Secretary to Government has the honor to forward to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue twenty two Copies of Lieut. O'Connells' Report on the Supply of water to the Town of Madras. three Copies for the use of the Boards' Office and the remainder for distribution.—

/signed/ G. N. Taylor
Acting Dy Secy to Govt.

Fort St. George
11th February 1856

To The Secretary Board of Revenue

Ordered to be recorded

267-269
Order thereon.

No. 299

Bd. No. 332
From the Secy to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 10th March 1856.

270

Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue 7th March 1856 (No. 708)

Here enter

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council authorizes

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authorizes the collector of chingleput to file the answer to Suit No. 1 of 1856 instituted against him and another in the Principal Sudr Ameen's Court at that station and to conduct the defence in the first instance at the public expence, but his Lordship in Council will determine, when a copy of the decree is submitted whether the costs, if any be adjudged against the collector, shall be borne by him or by the Government. The Board advert to amendments made by them in the collectors draft answer but no such amendments appear in that paper.

2. The Governor in Council resolves to request the Board to call the attention of the Officers Subordinate to them, again to the notification at page 635 of the Official Gazette of the 19th August 1842 respecting the docketting of enclosures to letters. The mode there prescribed should be strictly attended to, that is to say not only the description and date of the enclosing letter should be given but also the description, date and purport of the enclosures.

To The President and Members of the Board of Revenue

/A true Extract/
/Signed/ J. D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government

271
Bd. No. 734,
Proceedings thereon — Para 1 Will be communicated for information and guidance to the collector of chingleput with a memo of the corrections made by the Board in his draft answer.

270-272
Bd. No. 795
Further Proceedings thereon — Para 2 will be circulated to all collectors for information and guidance

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No. 13

To

G. S. Forbes. Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

Sir

With reference to the

Proceedings of the Board of

Revenue under date the —

1st Instant, accompanied

by Extract Minutes of —

Consultation dated 18th Janua-

ry last, I beg to inform the

Board

273.
Bd. No. 646
From the Ag. Collector of Canara

3985 Fort St. George 11th March 1856.

Board that a list of the Salt

Tamahs together with the number

of Scales required at each

is given in the Memo which

accompanied my letter of the

20th July last.—

Collector's Cutcherry
On circuit
Kirmungaiseer
16th February 1856.

/Signed/ W. Fisher
Acting Collector

273-274

Order thereon.— Ordered to lie over.

To

3985 Fort St. George 11th March 1856

No 58.

To. G. S Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

275

Bd. No 611
From the Collector
of Chingleput.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith an Estimate of charges proposed to be incurred for making a wooden Treasure Box required for the use of the Vadamangary Salt Pans in this District to replace an old one rendered unserviceable and request that the Sanction may be obtained for the amount, Vizt.

Rupees 27 8 "

Chingleput District
Collectors circuit Cutcherry
Wallajahbad
18th February 1856

/Signed/ C. J. Shubrick
Collector

Estimate

3986 Fort St. George 11th March 1856

Estimate of Charges proposed to be incurred for making a wooden Cash chest for the use of the Vadasemmengary Salt Pans in the District of Chingleput.

	Rupees	As	Rupees	As
To 7½ Square feet of Teak wood at 2½ Square feet per Pagoda	10	8		
To Carting Do		6		
To Sawing Do	2	8		
To Cart hire for conveying the wood from Madras to Sydapet		12		
To Carpenters hire	5			
To Iron Smiths Do	3			
To Iron materials	5	6		
Total amount requiring Sanction is Rupees Twenty Seven and Annas Eight	27	8		

Chingleput District
Collectors Cutcherry
Hallajabad
18th February 1856

(Signed) C. S. Shubrick
Collector

Proceedings

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Bd. No. 937
Proceedings thereon
275-276

The Board of Revenue authorize the Collector to incur the charge alluded to in the foregoing letter and to include the actual disbursement in the Statement of charges incurred without Estimate these proceedings being quoted in Support of the Same

Read again Return from the Collector of North Arcot dated 20th and entered in Cons. 23 February 1856, of Persons charged with Offences under Regulation IX of 1822 for January 1856.

277.
Bd. No. 736
Proceedings thereon.

The Board presume that the monigar of Chittatoor has also been dismissed for appropriating Government money to his own use.

Read the following Papers

278.
Bd. No. 807
From P. Rungasayee chetty
Madras

To G. S. Forbes Esqre
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St. George
Madras

Sir

I have the honor to Solicit the favor of your granting me permission to export 17500 Indian maunds of Salt from the District of

3990 Fort St. George 11th March 1856

the Selections from the Records of the Bombay Government Official Correspondence relative to the assessment of certain Districts in Sind.

284-285 Order thereon — ordered to be recorded.

Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous Letters and Statements

286 Mis. N. 620
From the Acting Collector of Ganjam. Season Report for February 1856.

287 Mis. N. 621
From the Collector of Nellore. Season Report for February 1856.

288 Mis. N. 618
From the Collector of Bellary. Season Report for February 1856

289 Mis. N. 616
From the Collector of Chingleput. Season Report for February 1856

290 Mis. N. 619
From the Collector of Salem. Season Report for February 1856.

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Mis. N. 615 / 291
From the Collector of Madura Season Report for February 1856.

292 Mis. N. 617
From the Collector of Malabar — Season Report for February 1856.

293 Mis. N. 623
From the Collector of Rajahmundry. Statement of Salt Petre Shipped on board English Vessels &c during February last (none)

294 Mis. N. 624
From the Collector of Nellore — Informing that no Salt Petre was Shipped in January 1856.

295 Mis. N. 625
From the Collector of Chingleput. Informing that no Salt Petre was shipped during January & February 1856.

296 Mis. N. 622
From the Collector of Malabar. — Informing that no Salt Petre was shipped in February 1856.

297 Mis. N. 626
From the Collector of Rajahmundry. Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of Revenue for February 1856.

298 Mis. N. 628
From the Collector of Madura. Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of Revenue for February 1856.

From

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Mr. No. 627
From the Collector of Malabar. — Statement of Demand
299 Collection and Balance of Revenue for Fe
bruary 1856. —
300
Mr. No. 629
From the Collector of Madras. — Statement of Demand Collection
301 and Balance of Revenue for February 1856. —
Mr. No. 625
From the Collector of Madras. — Average Bazar Prices of Grain
302 for February 1856. —
Mr. No. 647
From the Collector of Rajahmundry. — Statement Shewing the quantity
of Salt in Store available for exportation to Calcutta
303 on the 1st March 1856. —
Mr. No. 648
From the Collector of Tanjore. — Statement Shewing the quan-
tity of Salt in Store available for exportation to
304 Calcutta on the 29th February 1856. —
Mr. No. 649
From the Collector of Madras. — Statement Shewing the
quantity of Salt in Store available for exportation
305 to Calcutta on the 29th February 1856. —
Mr. No. 651
From the Collector of Malabar. — Reports that no persons
were tried under Regulation IX of 1822 in January
306 last. —
Mr. No. 652
From the Collector of Malabar. — Return of Village Officers
referred to in Regulation VI of 1831 suspended
307 or dismissed in January last. —
Mr. No. 650
From the Collector of Chingleput. — Registers of Answers made to
Petitions presented to the Board for February 1856. —

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