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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Monday the 1st September 1856.—

Read the following Papers.—

1

Bd. No 2810
From the Secretary to Government—

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Public Works Depat. dated the 24th July 1856—

Communicating a Despatch from the Honorable Court regarding a Davas-tanam balance and the discontinuance of payments on account of Pagodas in the Tanjore District &c.— See No 1237 in separate Volume Pkt

2

Bd. No. 2823.
Order thereon

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing Extract Minutes Consultation be communicated to the acting Collector of Tanjore who will at an early date afford the explanation called for by Govern-ment with regard to the discrepancy pointed out by the Honorable Court.—

3

The Board observe that the orders of Government dated 5th February No 119 have been already attended to.—

Ordered also that a letter be ad-dressed to the Accountant General enquiring what amount of the Pagoda Funds remain unexpended in the charge of the officers of Government

To

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To

The Accountant General

Bd. No. 2818

To the Accountant General — } Sir

In G. 1 sept. 56 / 2810 } Extract Minutes

With reference to para 3 of the Consultation dated 21st July 1856 No. 1251 Copy of which is annexed, I am desired by the Board of Revenue to request that you will be good enough to furnish them with a statement of the whole amount of Pagoda Funds remaining unexpended in the charge of the Officers of Government in the several districts of this Presidency called for by the Honorable the Court of Directors in para 3 of their dispatch dated 29th May 1856 No. 7 Copy of which is also subjoined.—

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George —
1st September 1856 — } /Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary

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For Para 3 of Extract Mins. Cons. dated 21st July 1856 and Para 3 of the Court's Dispatch dated 29th May 1856 No. 7 see Nos. 1251 in Separate Vol.

Bd. No. 2993

From the Secretary to Government } Extract from the Minuts of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 1st August 1856—

Referring for the Board's report a letter from the Government of India on the subject of the allowances paid to five Pagodas in the South Arcot District

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Bd. No. 2835 Proceedings thereon.

See No. 802 in separate Vol. P. 102

In the letter from the Secretary to

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the Government of India referred to above, the proceedings of this Government and the Board of Revenue, relative to certain allowances paid to 5 Pagodas in the district of South Arcot are received and a reconsideration of the case is suggested in reference to the remarks offered upon the case.—

2 It is unnecessary to recapitulate the entire case as a resume of it is given in the letter from Mr. Secretary Reade, the two points however to which attention is directed are 1st the reduction of the allowances previously paid, and 2d the refusal to commute the same into a grant of land.—

3 As regards the first point the Board would observe that it appears both from the letters of Mr. Fallowfield the Collector, and the Communication of the Board to Government, that the additional allowance of 700 pagodas per annum was granted to the pagodas because they had suffered a loss to that extent through the new fiscal System established by Regulations XI and XII of 1803, which separated the sea and land Customs, abolished all fees or roofsooms leviable from Merchants for Charitable

From Mr. Fallowfield 25th March In G. 28th April 1806 / 37
To Govt. 11 Dec. 1806 per 52
From Govt. 21 Dec. 1806 In G. 29 January 1807 per 20
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charitable or other purposes, and established a consolidated land custom duty of six per cent in lieu of exciting demands—

4 The payment of this additional allowance has certainly been charged to the general revenue, and not to the Sea or Land Customs—This fact was alluded to both in the Collector Mr. Hall's letter and in the Boards Proceedings. If the allowance had been granted immediately on the alteration in the Customs System, it would probably then have been charged against that department, as an evident part of the new arrangement, but the subject was not brought before Government till 3 years later, when Government passed an order awarding the compensation shewn to be due to the pagodas, but gave no detailed instructions as to the head of revenue against which the payment was to be charged. The allowance has therefore been charged against the general revenue

From Collector 9th August 1855 in Consultation 29th March 1836 para 3

Boards Proceedings to Government 29th March 1836 No 904 P. 5

revenue but the Board are of opinion that it ought to have been charged against the Customs because although these fees were not collected in the name of Government they must the Board think be looked on as a part of the Customs. They were collected by the public servants at fixed rates at the same time as the Government revenue and under Names showing that they were authorised Custom dues on which the Pagodas were allowed to enjoy. under this view it appears to the Board that the Compensation granted in lieu of these fees may be stopped or modified according as the Customs revenue ceases to exist in one or both of its branches without any departure from equity or good faith on the part of Government—

5 2dly The Chief object in granting lands to pagodas instead of money allowances was to sever the connection of Government with Native religious institutions by

by restoring to them the lands ori=
=ginally forming their Endowments In
this Case the Institutions never had
any landed endowment and the Board
thought that it was undesirable to
assign any portion of the permanent
land revenue, in lieu of an allowance
which seems properly dependant on
one of the Extra sources - In this
opinion the Board still Continue -

To

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No. 44

To

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

(6)

Bd. No. 982
From the Collector
of Tanjore

Reporting on the rates of teerwah which will fall on enam land

Sir

I have had the honor to re=
=ceive an extract from the Boards proceedings
dated the 5th Ultimo No. 345 in which I am re=
directed to report the rates of Teerwah which re=
will fall on enam land under the order of
Government dated the 15th of January last in le=
=vying a teerwah Jasty according to the re=
rules now in force in Tanjore -

It will be in the recollection of
the Board that I brought the rules under
which in feild assessed villages teerwah re=
Jasty is levied in this district, to their partic=
=lar notice in the 31st and following paragraphs
of my letter of the 12th of February 1855, & then
expressed my own dissatisfaction with the
rules and suggested certain modification of re=
them but as I have received no communication
3 in reply, the rules remain in force -

3 In woolungoo rented grosparen=
=ted and one year rented villages teerwah Jasty
on poonjah land converted into munjah is
levied according to the average of the re=

munjah

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munjah teeruh of the village and the fol-
=lowing will shew the Board that in proceed
=ing to assess enam lands according to this
system the wish of the Government
that the assessment should be mode=
=rate will not be attained.—

	Average pcum. per Fasly.		Average munjah assessment teeruh	
	Rupees	A P.	Rupees	A P
Crops rented and one year rented villages	8	151	33	10 7
Woolungoo and grain rented villages	9	54	36	4 4½
Field assessed villages	7	139	32	15 ½
Average	8	114¾	34	8 ¼

4 I am of opinion that in one year
rented crops rented and woolungoo villages
the system should be followed which in
my letter of the 12th of February 1855. I took
leave to recommend for the field assessed
villages and that double the poonjah teeruh
should be demanded when dry land is con=
=verted into wet. On that occasion I limited
my recommendation to the field assessed
villages because it appeared that
there

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Board 7th September 54 para 5.

there was at the time some disposition to proceed
with that made of settlement and it was ex=
=pedient to reserve all changes in the rented
villages for the time when the introduction of
a field assessment might be attempted.—

5 In instructing me on the teeruh es=
=tasty to be now assessed on enam lands
I beg that the Board will further say if the
operation of the rules they may lay down
is to be confined to those lands or to be
generally applicable to all dry lands here=
=after converted into wet.—

Tanjore—
Combaconum
3d March 1856.
Bd No 2847
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Proceedings thereon

Submitting a letter from Collector of Tanjore and remark=ing that Teeruh estty on Enam lands in that district be assessed in the manner that had been proposed for Pattahs on Government lands—

/ Signed / H. Forbes
Collector

Under date the 24th of February 1854 the Civil Engineer of the 6th Division addressed the Board in the D of P. W in favor of a Watercess be=
=ing collected from Enamdars in Tanjore when
taking water from a Government source of
supply for the irrigation of dry land the

question

B.d Cons. 6th April/54 D. P. W.

question was referred to the Collector who in

J.C. 29 of April in 2 reported that no such cess had ever been

1st June 1854 - D. P. W.

demanded, in consequence of its having been al-

ways understood that the terms of the summuds

under which the enams were held secured

them from the liability. On examining the clause

in the summud to which the Collector referred

the Board were unable to allow to it the force

B.d proc.s to Tanjore 1st June/54 D. P. W.

which had always been given it in the District,

Proc.s to Govt. 2 Sept.r 1852 and No. 829 R. D.

this view was recognized by the Government

in an Extract from Minute of Consultation, of

In C. 10th May 1853

dated the 1st of May 1853 No. 577.

2 The Government service directed

that the Collector should be called on to report

further on the subject, and say, if any other ground

of exemption than the term of their summuds

were advanced by the enamdars. enquiry was

in vain made by the Collector in the

Duftar of the Rajahs Palace

for any documents bearing on

the

the question, and in their proceedings dated the

30th of November 1855 No. 3195, the Board informed

the Government, that nothing new had been

elucidated. In an Extract from the Minutes of

In Con.n 5th Feby/56 Consultation dated the 15 of January 1855 No. 55 R. D.

the Government directed the Board in commu-

nication with the Collector to consider the pro-

per rate of cess to be charged, and to report

it for the approval of Government. it was

wished that the rate should be moderate, and

uniform, and the same as is paid on Puttah

or Government poonjah land when irrigated

with Government water. The Government

added their opinion that advantage might

be beneficially taken of the occasion to

revise the whole teerva jasty customs

of Tanjore.

para 2. 3 In his present letter the Col-

lector refers the Board to his report of the

In Dy 23rd April/55 12th of February 1855, as containing an account of the

system under which teerva jasty is assessed in the field assess-

ed villages of his District and his own opinion as

to

to the objections to which that syatem is open the report in question has been forwarded to Government with the Board's Proceedings of the 29th Ultimo, and the system referred to is this

poonjah or garden land converted into munjah rates the assessment of the corresponding munjah clash with the proviso that no such land is admitted to a clash lower than the eighth if there be no land in the corresponding munjah clash the newly converted land is placed in the clash above it and if there be no land

Para 3 in any clash above it it is then placed in the highest clash.—

4 In the wet loongoo, and Tarum settled villages not being field assessed, dry land converted into wet is assessed with the average munjah assessment of the village, and the Collector proposes the adoption in all villages however settled of the system he advocated in the 33d paragraph of the report already referred to, Mr. Forbes there recommended that land thus converted should be assessed at the discretion of the Collector on a consideration of

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of its quality, position, advantages, and means of irrogation and it was only in case this proposal should not meet with acceptance that he suggested the adoption of the plan adverted to in his present letter. that double the tase on the land when dry should be assessed upon it when irrigated.—

5 The Board have in the 4th paragraph of their proceedings of the 29th Ultimo recommended the adoption of the first of the two plans suggested by the Collector and as their proceedings are already before the Government it is needless to discuss the subject here. They resolve therefore to submit the Collectors present letter with these proceedings to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council with their recommendation that tecrunjaty on enam lands in Tanjore be assessed in the manner that has been proposed for puttah or Government lands

To

15881 Fort St. George 1st September 1856

No. 102

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre.

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

8.

Bd. No. 1874

From the Collector of South Arcot

Sir

In reference to Extract from the Proceedings of the Board No. 1375 dated 23d. Instant and to Para 13 of the Minutes of Consultation which accompanied it, I have the honor to state that the only expense incurred on account of the experimental introduction of Merino sheep into this District was the disbursement of the sum of Rupees 19 alluded to in my letter to you of the 2d. October last.

South Arcot ---
Collectors Cutchery --
Cuddalore 26th May 1856

/ Signed / A. Hall
Collector

To

15882 Fort St. George 1st September 1856

No. 87

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre.

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

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Bd. No. 1943

From the Collector of Trichenopoly

Sir

As directed by Extract from your Boards Proceedings dated 23d. Instant No. 1375 I do myself the honor to subjoin the only expenses that were incurred in this District for the introduction of the half bred Merino sheep and that only for their transit from the farm in Mysore.

2 I did not charge the Public accounts with this item for the reason that I met the expense from the avenue tree funds not being specially instructed at the time to incur any expenditure.-

3 The sum now requiring sanction is Rupees 14-10-2 made up by the following items.-

	Rs	as	p
Paid to shepherd who went for sheep and drove them down.	7	2	0
Batta to a Daloyet	5	1	0
Gram for road	2	7	2
Rupees	14	10	2

Trichinopoly Collectors Office 30th May 1856

/ Signed / J. Bird
Collector

To

15880 Fort St. George 1st September 1856

No. 92

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre.

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extract from the Boards Proceedings dated 23d. Ultimo No. 1575 Conveying Extract from Minutes Consultation No. 356 and in reply I beg to state for their information that there are no Charges incurred in this District on account of half bred Merino Rams requiring the sanction of Government, all having been authorized by them and closed in August 1852 vide Extract from the Proceedings of the Board dated 12th. of that Month no expence has since been incurred on that account as no Rams of the above kind were left as reported in my letter of the 24th April 1852 No. 37.

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Bd. No. 2315
From the Collector of Coimbatore

Coimbatore Collectors Office 18th June 1856

/ Signed / E. B. Thomas
Collector

To

15884 Fort St. George 1st September 1856.

No. 122.

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre.

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort Saint George.

(11)

Bd. No. 2439.
From the Collector of North Arcot

With reference to Extract Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 23d. Ultimo No. 1575 calling upon me to furnish the information required by Government Paras 5 and 16 of Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 4 April last annexed thereto I have the honor to submit for the information of the Board of Revenue a Statement shewing the results of the experiment made to introduce Merino Sheep into the Congoondy Zemindary.

The entire charges incurred on account of the experiment amount to Rupees 11—1—9.

North Arcot Collectors Cutcherry Chittoor 30 June 1856

/ Signed / C. Whittingham
Collector

Statement.-

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No 1

Fort St George

Statement shewing the deaths and additions to stock of Merino Sheep.—

1st September 1836

Received from the Mysore Commissioners	Sheep originally given To whom given	Numbers given	Additions to Stock	Total Deaths	Deaths	Remainder alive	Increased from the Original Merino Stock	Total Columns 8 and 11
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Ewes Rams Total		Ewes Rams	£ Rs	£ Rs	£ Rs	£ Rs	£ Rs	£ Rs	£ Rs	£ Rs	£ Rs
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North Arcot Collectorate Chittoor, 30 June 1836

/ Signed / C Whittingham
Collector

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No. 91

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. Saint George.

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Bd. No. 2868.

From the Collector of Salem.

Sir

With reference to the Board's Proceedings dated the 23d May last No. 1515 forwarding Extract Minutes Consultation No. 356 under date the 4th April 1836 relative to the failure of the experiment in improving the merino breed in this Country and desiring that a statement of the charges incurred on account of the past experiment may be submitted as early as posible. I have the honr to state that the first batch of sheep was introduced into this District in 1829 and that the sheep were not retained by the Government under their immediate care in the Salem District they were all distributed among the Mootahdars and the Ryotts and in consequence no charges were incurred by Government on account of the Experiment in this District

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District.—

Salem Collectors Office
Salem 26th July 1836.

(Signed) W. A. Brett
Collector

Ordered to be submitted &c with the following letter.—

To

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Bd. No. 2819.

To the Secretary to Govt. Rev. Dept.

In Govt. 23d May 1836.

The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

Sir

With reference to para 8 and 15 of the Extract Minutes Consultation dated 4th April 1836 No. 356. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to submit for the information and orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying letters from the Collectors of South Arcot, Trichinopoly, North Arcot, Salem, and Coimbatore, reporting the Charges incurred for the introduction of half bred Merino Sheep into their districts.—

2 , The expenses incurred on account of the experiment in South Arcot have been already reported by the Board and are mentioned in para 7 of the Extract Minutes Consultation under reply those in Trichinopoly and North Arcot amounted to Rupees 28—11—11 in Salem no charges have

26th May 30th May 30th June 26th July and 15th June 1836.
In Govt. 1st September 1836.
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In Govt. 5th January 1836.

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have been incurred. and all the Charges in Coimbatore were sanctioned by Government on the 2d August 1852 No. 744. The Board recommend that sanction be granted for the expenditure now reported amounting to Rs. 47—11—11

In Con. 12th August 1852.

Sankagherry	19	11	0
Trichinopoly	14	10	2
North Arcot	14	1	9
	47	11	11

3 Adverting to para 5 of the Minutes of Consultation it will be seen from the Statement as furnished by the Collector of North Arcot that 2 Cows and 4 Rams of the Original Merino Stock were given to the Zemindar and a Brahmin of the Conjeevaram Pallicum the yield of these (pure and cross breed) was 31. in Ring a total of 37 and the deaths among the whole were 9 leaving 28 of both Kinds alive.—

4 The Collector has omitted to state whether the result of the Experiment has been more favorable in other respects and whether the people evince any interest on the subject: and the Board have not thought it

Dated 30th June in Con. 1st Sept. 1856

necessary to make a further reference to him, as Government have decided in abandoning the experiment for the present.

Dated 9th inst. July 1856 No. 708 P.D.

Revenue Board's Office,
Fort St. George,
1st September 1856

Signed G. L. Forbes
Secretary

No. 156.

To
G. L. Forbes Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George.

(14)

B. No. 1906. Sir

From the Collector of Chingleput 21. I have the honor to furnish the report called for in Extract from the Board's Proceedings No. 1114 of the 14th Ultimo relative to the Felling of timber and fuel in the Government Forests, and the rents or taxes received from them.

Reporting on the System of renting out the Jungles and levying tax thereon.

2 There are no Forests in Chingleput deserving of the name excepting at Sheharicotah, North of the Pulicat on an island in the lake there. all the other places where there is a growth of wood are patches of Jungle generally near cultivated villages, chiefly in the Caroongoly Outramalore and Chingleput Taluks. They are not of sufficient consequence to render any

any special rules for their maintenance necessary. They are best entrusted to the Merapidars who have an interest in preventing their deterioration and to whom they afford not only valuable farming but also green manure for their fields. Hitherto they have been rented out at the Immanabundy and since I have been in charge of the District invariably to the Merapidars as I have set my face decidedly against giving them to strangers deeming their continuance than any temporary increase of Revenue I would not recommend any change in regard to them, and think they may be safely trusted to the Parties now enjoying them or others of the same class to be disposed of at the annual settlements, or should the Board prefer it they can be given for 3. 5 or 10 years on the average rents of those periods of years on the parties agreeing to hold them I do not believe that they are in any way the subject of intrigue either on my own Office or the Sabeildars & Cutcherries.

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3. The average income derived from them for the last 10 years amounts to Rupees 2283. annually.

4 In regard to Streecharicotha the Board have desired that special rules should be framed which will form the subject of a separate report. This forest is calculated to cover an area of 19000 Cawnies stretching over 32 Villages and contains but a small portion of the largest sized timber. It consist chiefly of brushwood with trees of moderate size and furnishes the chief supply of fuel to the Madras Market. No part of it is let on lease and it is desirable that none should be, as such a system as without resident Merapidars who could become the renters would speedily end in its extermination. Greedy after immediate gain would be sufficient inducement for them to cut down the trees with reference to their growing again, and any prohibitory clauses in the leases would probably be evaded and if tried to be enforced against the wish of the renters could only be so through the tardy medium of the Courts.

5 Under these circumstances the system of taxing the wood on its exportation seems

1st Class woods.
2½ Do. Do.
3½ Do. Do.
4½ Do. Do.
5½ Do. Do.

seems to be the best, and has hitherto been followed. The classes into which the woods has been divided are shewn in the margin, and the receipts for the last 10 years have averaged Rupees 5015 annually. The parties who take the woods are merchants from Madras. It has been objected that to class the woods by the Lac of pieces is to class it in too large quantities. There is truth in this; and it will perhaps be better to reduce the quantity to 10000 or even to 1000 pieces, or logs, or bundles as the case may be. To reduce it lower to the scale, as has been suggested would be of no advantage or object as it is not required on the spot and must be taken away in boat loads and it is evident that the larger the quantity the boats can carry the greater the profit to the exhorter; so that any quantity short of 1000 logs or bundles would never be likely to be wanted.

6 At present the Merchants employ Coolies to fell what timber they require and in the localities that may suit them efforts were made in 1833

to

to confine them to certain spots by dividing the Forests into fine portions but it was found difficult of arrangement and the Coolies were not always to be had. The Plan seems however to be the best as advised for the preservation of the woods and to guard most effectively against its being cut before it has attained its proper growth and it appears advisable that every effort should be made to have recourse to it again. Mr Cotton in his letter of June 1837 described 8 years as the time required for the trees when cut to spring up again and in my letter of the 12 December 1833 I mentioned 5 years as the time supposed to be wanted to bring them to maturity. In explanation of this difference I would beg to state that by 5 years I meant the period when the trees could be cut again, while Mr Cotton referred to the time that it would be better for them to grow before they were cut I believe 7 years is about the time allowed for teakwood to grow in England as before it is cut down for faggots; and in this Country where as vegetation is more luxuriant

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and expired the time should be inserted.

Chingleput District.
Collectors Cutcherry,
Sydapet. 27th May 1836.

[Signed] C. J. Shubrick
Collector

(14-15) Order thereon Ordered to lie over.

Read again Tabular Report from the Collector of Nellore dated 17 June and entered in Consultation 7th July 1836 of lapsed Yemiah.

No. 168.

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

Sir

B[d] No. 3045.
From the Collector of Nellore

In reply to your letter of the 7th ultimo No. 2088 I have the honor to inform the Board that from the enquiry I have made relative to the Yemiah School therein referred to, it appears that the instructions imparted is of a religious nature and that the medium of the Persian, Arabic and Hindoostany languages,

that

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that there are about 12 houses in the vicinity occupied by Mohommedans, and that the school is valued by them

Nellore District.
Collectors Office,
Kistnapatam.
6th August 1836.
B[d] No. 2822.

[Signed] I. B. Elton
Collector

Remarks thereon.

(16-17)

Enc: in J. Nellore 15th January to Dec 6th February 1851.

This grant appears to be supported by documents of the last century one of which purports to be a copy of an Enogetnamah addressed by the Nabob Wallajah on the 16th Mohurrum Hijrees 1207 corresponding with 4th September 1792 to Noor uddeen Mahomed Khan authorizing him generally to employ teachers on 7 Rupees per Mensem for the instruction of Mahomedan Children in the Koran. The other document is a summud

Enc: in J. Nellore 17th June to 7th July 1836.

appointing Mahomed Ebrahim teacher at Nellore on the 17th Rabbisani Hijrees 1207 - This 2d Dec. 1792

person was succeeded in 1824 by his brother's son, who was the last incumbent. The Office of a teacher of the Koran in Nellore thus appears and to have been in existence

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since 1792 On a further reference made by the Board, the Collector reports that in the vicinity of the school there are about 12 houses occupied by Mahommedans by whom

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the institution is held in high estimation and that instruction is imparted to the boys in Persian arabic and Hindoostanee.

2 Under these circumstances the Board support the Collectors recommendation for the continuance of the Yearly allowance to Mahomed Azeezudeen the only surviving brother of the last incumbent from the date of the latters death.

3 It may be added that the continuance of a similar allowance was sanctioned by Government in Extract Minutes Consultation dated 23rd June 1831 No. 609 for the support of a School at Mahomedapooram in the same district.

Ext. Sy. Dy. 1837.

No. 632

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

(18)

Dy. No. 2830.

From the Director of Public Instruction

I have the honor to transmit for the consideration of the Board of Revenue the accompanying Copy of a Letter under date the 17th Ultimo from

Communicating a letter from the Inspector of Schools in the Northern Circars pointing out the desirability of establishing Talook Schools in the Zemindaries of the Districts comprising that charge, and requesting the Board to instruct

instruct the Collectors to address the principal Zemindars within their Districts on the subject.

from Lieutenant R. M. Macdonald the Inspector of Schools in the Northern Circars, suggesting that steps should be taken to induce the Zemindars in the Districts of Ganjam, Vizagapatam, Rajahmundry, and Masulipatam, to establish in their Zemindaries Vernacular schools corresponding to the Talook schools now being established in some of the Government Talooks.

2 The course of instruction in the Government Talook schools is to comprise Reading, Writing, arithmetic after the English methods, Geography and the Elements of Writing whenever any suitable elementary histories may be available. The elements of Geometry and Algebra, and Mensuration of land will eventually be added. The schools are to be essentially Vernacular all substantive instruction being imparted thro the medium but in some of them and especially in those parts of the Country where there is a strong desire for the acquisition for English and where it may be possible to provide the means of teaching its rudiments without in any way interfering with the primary design of the schools

Schools as a means of imparting useful knowledge and Cultivating the moral and mental faculties of the pupils so through the medium of the Vernacular, it is proposed to superadd instruction in english and to have its rudiments taught in the highest class. The Inspectors however have been instructed to prevent any undue prominence being given to the english instruction in the school course and it has been laid down as a rule that no boy shall be admitted into the english class until he shall have attained a certain prescribed standard in the Course of Vernacular instruction and further that in the periodical examinations the advancement of the boys in their Vernacular studies or in other words in a knowledge of the subjects studied by them in their Vernacular language shall be the main test of proficiency.

3 The Government Taluk Schools are to be of three grades and the expenditure sanctioned for each ranges from Rupees 30 to Rupees 50 per mensem. Each pupil is to be required to pay a fee of 2 annas per mensem.

4 It is obviously very desirable that this system of Superior Vernacular Schools should be introduced into the Zemindary Talooks and that the expense of maintaining them should be undertaken by the Zemindars, and I have therefore the honor to request that the Collectors of the Districts referred to in Lieutenant Macdonald's letter may be instructed "to address firmauns to "the principal Zemindars within their districts, "pointing out to them that it was the custom of "the ancient Rajahs to encourage learning by "grants of land and gifts of money to learned "Brahmins, that it is in their power to imi- "tate the example of their ancestors, but in a "more enlightened spirit, by the establishment "of good vernacular Schools in their Zemindaries, "and by informing them that any efforts which "they may be willing to make for the extension of "education will be favourably viewed by Govern- "ment".

5 The Office of Commissioner in the Northern Circars having been abolished, I have deemed it expedient to address the Board of Revenue on this subject in preference to communicating with the local officers direct as the arrangement proposed will probably re-

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require the sanction of the Board.

6- Lieutenant Macdonald's suggestion in regard to the establishment in the Vizianagrum Zemindary of a School of a somewhat higher order and in which english should form a more important element in the course of instruction than will be the case in the Talook Schools, has my full concurrence.

7- The necessary arrangements for the organization and inspection of the projected Schools in communication with the Zemindar will of course be entrusted to Lieutenant Macdonald.

Octacamund Office of the Director of Public Instruction - 24th July 1856.

Signed J. A. Arbuthnot
Director of Public Instruction.

No 30.

To
A. J. Arbuthnot Esquire
Director of Public Instruction.

Sir.

1- In para 6 of his letter of the 27th ult Ultimo a copy of which was forwarded to you with my letter No 22 of the 7th Instant, the Acting Collector of Ganjam incidentally alludes to the proposition made by him some time ago for

Refers Mr Knox's letter to the Commissioners Northern Circars No 30 of 21st February 1855 para 9.

establishing a School at Purlah Kemedy to be paid for out of the surplus funds of the Zemindary, over which no orders have as yet been passed.

2- My reason for not selecting Purlah Kemedy as a station for a Talook School is stated in a letter to the Acting Collector copy of which is herewith annexed. It would probably not be etiquette for me to address the Commissioner on the subject, but as the expediency of establishing a Vernacular School at Purlah Kemedy does not seem to admit of any question, I trust that you will see no objection to supporting Mr Knox's proposition.

3- In connection with this subject I beg to submit for your consideration the propriety of steps being taken to ascertain what probability there is of other Zemindary Schools being founded and the best means of promoting so desirable an object.

4- The question is one of importance owing to the number and extent of the ancient Zemindaries scattered throughout the greater part of the Northern Circars.

5- The number of Vernacular Schools allowed is so limited that it is obvious that many

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many Talooks will not have the benefit of a Government School, even if we exclude the Zemindaries from the sphere of our operations, while the propriety of excluding them must depend on the inclination or disinclination of the Zemindar to do on his estate what the Government are doing elsewhere -

6- It seems probable that some of the Rajahs, if appealed to, would be willing to cooperate with Government in promoting the cause of education by establishing Schools in their Zemindaries, similar in character to the intended class of Talook Schools and by placing them under the same supervision to which the Government Schools will be subject - Wherever they are willing to do this, it does not seem advisable to supersede their efforts -

7- This appeal will necessarily come with much weight from the regular local authorities, the value of which aid and influence in a matter of this kind is sufficiently obvious -

8- I would suggest therefore that the Agents in Ganjam and Vizagapatam and the Collectors of Rajahmundry and Masulipatam be requested to address firmans to the

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principal Zemindars within their districts, pointing out to them that it was the custom of the ancient Rajahs to encourage learning by grants of land and gift of money to learned Brahmins, that it is in their power to imitate the example of their ancestors, but in a more enlightened spirit, by the establishment of good Vernacular Schools in their Zemindaries, and by informing them that any efforts which they may be willing to make for the extension of education, will be favorably viewed by Government -

9- In the larger and important Zemindary of Vizianagrum, the establishment of a School of a somewhat higher order, and nearly if not quite assimilating to the proposed class of Zillah or Anglo-Vernacular Schools might perhaps be suggested -

10- It would be premature to enter any further into the subject, until it is known in what localities and to what extent the Zemindars are willing to undertake to establish Schools on their estates -

Office of Inspector of Schools. Bardampore 17th June 1856

/Signed/ R. M. Macdonald
Inspector of Schools.

/True Copy/
/Signed/ A. J. Arbuthnot
Director of Public Instruction

15901 Fort Saint George 1st September 1836.

P.D. No. 2900.

Proceedings thereon — The Board resolve to forward copies of the above Correspondence to the Collectors of the Districts noted in the Margin, as requested by the Director of Public Instructions in view to their carrying out his suggestions.

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Ganjam
Vizagapatam
Rajahmundry
Masulipatam

Copies of the correspondence will also be furnished to the Collectors of Guntoor, Nellore, North Arcot and Madura with the same object.

20.

P.D. No. 2930.

From the Supg. Engineer Central Circle. } No. 5120.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works Fort Saint George Under date the 1st August 1836.

Read the following —

No. 177.

To The Chief Engineer in the Department Public Works Fort Saint George.

Sir With reference to your resolution of the 17th Instant No. 1975, relative to a letter received by you from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, number and date

"Revenue derived from Navigable Canals."

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† dated 10th July 1836 No. 2126.

° dated 10th March 1836 No. 37.

date in the margin, I do myself the honor to explain that the export duties alluded to in the 34, 35, 36 paras of my report upon the trade of the Pulicat Lake and Cochrane's Canal, have no connection whatever with the toll levied at Madras upon the tonnage of every boat arriving there from the Lake or the Canal; they are duties raised by tale or measure upon the cargoes of all boats leaving Cusbah Streamwise to pass.

2- I regret that I am unable to give a reason for the levy so made at Cusbah upon exports but subjoin a translation of the Peshcars Tariff as guidance that the portect is so assessed my impression is that the impost is of the nature of forest dues and that on account of the greater facility of collecting it, it is received at the waters edge instead of at the jungles.

Guindy Road Madras 27th July 1836. } (Signed) A. W. Chambers, Lieut. Superintendent of the E. I. Canals.

List of dues raised as heretofore at

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at Streehurricottah.

	Rs. A. P.
An 1 Lac of 1st Class firewood	262-8-0
" 1 " " 2d Do	197-8-0
" 1 " " 3d Do	160-0-0
" 1 " " 4th Do	91-0-0
An every 30 pieces of the wood called Vannangoo	0-2-8
" 20 bundles of brushwood each bundle containing 30 sticks	0-11-7
An 20 bundles of thin sticks each bundle containing 60 sticks	0-11-7
An every Palmyra	
An 1 Garce of Charcoal	1-1-6
An 1 Garce of Shells	11-0-0
	0-11-0

(Signed) Somasoondra Pillay

Peshcar

Streehurricottah

Resolved that a copy of the above letter be forwarded to the Board of Revenue with reference to their Secretary's letter No 2926 of the 10th July 1856.

(A true Extract)

(Signed) G. C. Collyer, Captain

Supg. Engineer Central Circle

Proceeding.

15907 Fort Saint George 1st September 1856

Bd No 2825.

Proceedings thereon -

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In the above letter the Chief Engineer requests the Board's opinion on a recommendation made by Lieutenant Chambers that "the tolls, cists, or forest dues levied by Government on raw produce" be revised, that the general toll on the Canal be reduced from four to two annas a ton and that a Magistrate or Joint Magistrate be appointed specially to the Canal.

para 31 Dated 10th May. Encl: in A. Chief Engr. 22d May Rec. 10th July 1856

2. The first point to which the Superintendant refers is the collection made on account of Government from the renters of the shell quarries in the Pulicat lake, and he recommends that the rent be abolished, and that the quarries be thrown generally open.

3. This question the Board remark has been already definitively settled by Government in Extract Minutes Consultation dated the 11 of February 1856 No 149. - The Government then observed that the system of farming out the quarries was unobjectionable the amount so levied they looked upon, not as in reality a tax, but as strictly a rent, and they were of opinion that if the demand were relinquished by Government it would certainly be enforced by-

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by the village authorities for their own benefit - Both Government and the Board doubted whether the rent added to the price of chunam, as it was evident that as the renter paid a fixed sum, it was his interest to dig and sell as much material as possible within the term of his lease, and to effect that, it was necessary that the price should be low. The Government having decided in concurrence with the Board that no change in the management of the quarries was either necessary or expedient the Board are unable to second the Superintendant's present suggestion -

para 32- 4- The next point referred to by the Superintendant in his report to the Chief Engineer is, the tax levied on wood cut in the Strachurreattah jungles and on the supposition that the tax is levied to prevent the destruction of the jungles, and believing that their great extent renders any fear of their exhaustion needless, he recommends "unrestricted export."

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5- The question of the Strachurreattah jungles is now under discussion by the Board and the Government and pending a settlement, no order on the subject can be issued - The Board may however remark that neither they, or the Government share the Superintendant's impression that the jungles are inexhaustable - on the contrary, all that has lately been reported by the Collector of Chingleput shows that extensive encroachments have been of late year made, and that effective conservancy is needed -

6- Lastly the Superintendant recommends a general reduction of toll from four to two annas - The whole question of tolls was fully discussed by the Board in their letter dated the 4th December 1834 and the Government in Extract Minutes Consultation dated 15th January 1835 No 73 - acquiesced in the Board's recommendation that four annas or tow should be the rate at which the tolls should be collected - In the 9th paragraph of their letter the Board entered on a calculation of the amount which would fairly be received by the state as interest on its outlay in improving the canal, and on improvement only, as the original cost was supposed to have been already more than repaid - and in reimbursement of ordinary repair, and the cost of an establishment, and they then shewed that 21,000 Rupees was

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was the sum that Government might reasonably claim to receive. By the Statement given in the 13 paragraph of Lieutenant Chamberss present report it appears that the past year Rupees 29,593 have been credited to Government from the Canal and considering that the existing rates of tallu have only been in operation for two years and have not yet quite yielded the sum which it was considered at the time they were fixed, they ought to yield to Government, the Board dont consider it expedient at present to recommend that the rates be lowered.

The question of giving Magisterial authority to the Civil Engineer has been already negatived by Government, but the Board will take the opinion of the Collector of Chingleput as to the prosperity of giving the powers of an Ameen of Police to some native functionary on the spot.

Ordered that copy of these proceedings be forwarded to the Chief Engineer, and that the papers received with his letter of 10th July 56. the and 22d May 1856 be returned

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To

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

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B. N. 3299

From the Collector of Canara

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 30th Ultimo I have the honor to forward copy of a letter from the Sub Collector from which the Board will observe that Mr. Robinson has not been able to effect the purchase of any Buffaloes of the breed specified by the Collector of Tanjore, but that he will lose no opportunity of doing so.

† To the Collr. of Tanjore dated 31st July 1856.

Collectors Cutcherry
Mangalore
18th August 1856

/Signed/ W. Fisher
Collector

No. 1

To

The Collector of
Tanjore

Sir

With reference to your letter of the 22d June 1856 to the address of Mr. Fisher I regret to state that my endeavours both thro the Collector of Dharwar and the Firm of Messrs Bruce & Co. to procure Buffaloes of the breed specified

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specified by you, have hitherto failed. I see for the present any reasonable prospect of being able to execute this Commission shall however you still desire to purchase these I shall again be on the butt out for any may be brought for sale about the close year to any of the neighbouring mar-

Sub Collectors Cutchery
Since 31st July 1856

I Signed I A Robinson
Sub Collector

True Copy
I Signed I W Forbes
Collector

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Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded

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

24
B. No. 3278
From the Collector
of Nellore } Sir

With reference to the concluding para of my letter of 12th Instant in which I stated that the view I then took of the

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of selling lands held on Puttah for arrears of Revenue would probably not be found to be really opposed to the ruling of the Court of Sudder Adalut. I have the honor to lay the following further observations before the Board and trust the importance of the question to the interests of Government in this District may be deemed sufficient grounds for again troubling them.—

2 The balance accounts to the end of July having been since made up I find that notwithstanding the special exertions that have been made / several of the Tahsildars in the Principal Division who had large balances outstanding in their Talooks having been called up early in July and questioned why they had not attached the lands of the Defaulters / there was still outstanding on the 31st of that Month about 7,000 Rs. of Amany land Revenue.—

3 The Jummabundy has been carefully conducted, and finished in good time. The Season on the whole was favorable, and the high prices of agricultural produce tended to lessen the pressure of the assess-

ment

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Assessment yet this large balance was outstanding a month after the close of the [illegible]

4 I cannot but attribute this state of things in a great measure to the Collectors and Tahsildars hands being weakened by the operation of the new system of attaching the ryots puttah lands for arrears of revenue

5 Were I convinced that the state of the Law required this course to be pursued in the first instance I should bow to it till changed by Competent authority, but being persuaded that neither is this the case, nor has it been really ruled to be so in the Proceedings of the Court of Sudder Adawlut of the 12th March 1829, which I consider to be the Grounds of the Board's Circular order No. 1279 dated 30th April 1829 I think it right to bring the question as regards this District specially to their notice.—

Vide Circular orders of the Board of Revenue Vol. 1 Page 90-95.

6 I have already I consider sufficiently done this as regards the Regulations in my last letter on the subject I now propose to offer a few observations on the Sudder Courts Proceedings above adverted to

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7 It is there laid down that "If "the Defaulter be a Zemindar, independent "Talookdar, or actual Proprietor of the land "on account of which the arrear is due, and "the revenue is payable by him to the Collector, "or to his subordinate Officers immediately on "account of Government, or if he be a Farmer, "holding his Farm immediately from Governme "ment, then the arrear is recoverable under e "the rules prescribed in Regulation XXXII of "1802. But when lands are held in attachment "by the Collector or other Public Officer, on "behalf of a Proprietor or Farmer, or when "lands are under the immediate Management "of the Collector, or other Public Officer "without any settlement with a Proprietor, "or Farmer, then the Defaulters, standing "in the same relation to the Collector as "they would stand to the Actual Proprietor "or Farmer, supposing the land in the i "immediate possession and Management of "a Proprietor, or Farmer, under engagements "with the Collector, the arrears due by them "are recoverable in the mode prescribed in "Regulation XXVIII of 1802 in other words the

arrears

"arrears recoverable under Regulation XXVII of 1802
"are arrears of public revenue strictly so called,
"payable by Proprietors or Farmers immediately
"to the Collector or other Public Officer of Govern-
=ment, under Settlements permanent or tempo-
=rary; and the arrears recoverable under Regu-
="lation XXVIII are 1st. arrears of rent, or the private
"Revenue of Proprietors or Farmers, payable immedi-
="tely to them, or for their behoof to the Collector
"or other Public Officer, or to a Manager
"or 2dly arrears of public revenue payable to the
"Collector or other Public Officer, but not under
"a settlement with a proprietor or Farmer."

8 The circumstances of the case at issue in the Ryotwary parts of Nellore are similar to those alluded to in this quotation, where lands are under the immediate Management of the Collector without any settlement with a Proprietor, or Farmer. There are settlements in this District with proprietors as the Venkatagherry Zemindar and other holders of perma-
=nently assessed lands: and there are settle-
=ments with Farmers by which exclusive rights are meant, as may be easily seen by a reference to Regulation 29 of 1802 Section 8

where the under farmers tenants and ryots of such Farmers are spoken of, chiefly in the Sydapoor Talook a Zemindary purchased for arrears of revenue, where the lands not having been surveyed, the Villages are rented out; the three description of tenure thus coexisting in the same District renders the distinction between them easier of appreciation.—

I At seems needless to say more and I beg in conclusion to request instructions as to whether I am to act on the Board's Circular Order No. 1619 under local circumstances to which it does not appear applicable, and which were not specially before the Board at the time it was issued, or whether I may consider myself at liberty to make use of the provisions of Regulation 28 of 1802, which there appears nothing in the Judder Courts ruling to prevent my doing.—

Nellore. - - - -
Collector Office.
20th August 1856

(Signed) F. B. Elton
Collector

Order thereon (24-25.) Ordered to be recorded the Board's views on this subject and the course to be followed by the Collector having been explained

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explained in their Proceedings of 21st August 1856.—

No. 178

To

J. C. Sim Esquire
Sub Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

26

B. No. 3309
From the Collector of Madura — } Sir

With reference to the list of the
9 Aug 56 =tions furnished from your Office, for July
last, specifying those forwarded to me for
Petition No. 1781 of 1856. has not reached
this Office.—

2 I make this intimation as directed by
the Board in Para 2 of their Circular dd.
21st May 1856 No. 1281.—

Madura — —
21st August 1856 } / Signed / R. C. Parker
Collector

B. No. 2821
Proceedings thereon
26-27

The Board observes that the Petition
No. 1781 of 1856 was despatched to the Collector
on the 6th August 1856.

A copy of the Office Abstract of the
Petition is herewith forwarded and the Collector
can call on the Petitioner for any further infor-
tion he may think it desirable to obtain. To

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No. 2056

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B. No. 3205
From the Actg Secretary
Marine Board } Sir

To
The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

I have the honor by desire of the
Marine Board to request you will be good enough
to forward copy of the report furnished by the Col-
lector of Vizagapatam dated 25th Ultimo on the subject
of Act XXII of 1855 and from any other District received
by you.—

Madras Marine Board Office } / Signed / W. Thomson
18th August 1856 — — — — — Acting Secretary

B. No. 2846
28-29
Proceedings thereon

Ordered that the original letters
from the Collectors named in the Margin, on the subject of introducing Act XXII of 1855 into their Districts be forwarded to the Acting Secretary to the Marine Board in compliance with his request. It is requested that these replies may be returned at an early date to the Boards Office.— To

From Ganjam	22d	July	in Cons 7th	August 1856 No. 2922
" Vizagapatam	25th	July	in Cons 7th	August 1856 No. 3006
" Rajahmundry	23d	July	in Cons 14th	August " No. 2914
" Masulipatam	4th	in Cons	16th	August " No. 3168
" Guntoor	6th	in Cons	12th	August " No. 3087
" Nellore	22d	in Cons	26th	July " No. 2806
" Chingleput	16th	in Cons	17th	July " No. 2672
" South Arcot	11th	in Cons	15th	July " No. 2632
" Madura	15th	in Cons	22d	July " No. 2733
" Canara	17th	July	in Cons 7th	August " after 2785
" Malabar	19th	in Cons	26th	July " No. 2807
" Sea Customs Madras	26th	July	in Cons 8th	August No. 2857
" Tinnevelly	26th	August	in Cons 1st	September " No. 3389

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No. 253

To

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G. S. Forbes Esquire

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

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B. No. 3389

From the Collector

of Tinnevelly } Sir

With reference to your Circular of the 3d Ultimo, I have the honor to inform you that out of the 4 Ports in this District mentioned in the list which accompanied the above Circular, and included in the appendix to Act VI of 1846, Tuticorin alone being the Port the most important of the four to which ships and large Vessels frequently proceed should in my opinion be made subject to the provisions of Act XXII of 1855 therein referred to.

2 The other three Ports being of minor importance should I think, be exempted from the operations of the act above quoted.

Tinnevelly — Collectors — Circuit Cutcherry Paupanasum — 26th August 1856

(Signed) J. Silver

Collector.

Read

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Resolved that the following letter be despatched —

To The Secretary to

Government

Revenue Department

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Sir

B. No. 2815

To the Secretary to Government Revenue Department

Reporting on the subject of Machinery with Regard to the Effect which has followed its free importation and as to the scope which should be given to the Customs Tariff —

Dated 5th Sept. 1856 Rec'd 7 July 1858 22 Sh.

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to acknowledge receipt of your Address to Government Revenue Department dated 19th ultimo with its enclosure Copy of a letter from the Secretary Board of Trade to Government Revenue Department dated 19th June 1856 No. 628 and to request you will submit to the Government for the information of the Board of Revenue the following remarks regarding the Construction to be given to the term Machinery in the Customs tariff and the effect which has followed the free importation of Machinery both as regards the prosperity of the Country and the development of Native enterprize —

2 The Government having called upon the Board to report on this subject after communicating with persons competent from their experience to aid them in forming an opinion on the points noticed by the Supreme Government in their letter

Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce
Secretary to the Trade association
Porto Novo Iron Company's Superintendent
Collectors of
South Arcot — Tinnevelly
Ganjam — Malabar
Rajahmundry — Canara
Masulipatam — Collector of Sea Customs Madras
Major Cotton with reference to Government workshops in the North.
Comiah Chetty Agent to the Railway Company
Major Pears Consulting Engineer
Doctor Hunter
Mr. Moncrieff Civil Engineer in Charge of the Government Foundery and workshops at Dum: =laishmaram
Mr. Faulkner Superintendent of Engs. Department
Mrs. Sugar Factory at Rajahmundry

letters were addressed to the persons named in the Margin. To these letters the following replies have been received =

2773 Chamber of Commerce 22d July Recd 28th augt 1856
2865 Collector Sea Customs 26th July " "
2958 " 2d Augt " 6th "
2666 Doctor Hunter 15th July " 17th July
2658 Master of the Mint 15th July " 16th July
2826 Civil Engineer Godavery Division 22d July " 28th augt 1856
2796 Mr. Faulkner 19th July " 8th augt "
3733 Collector Madura 11th Augt " 21st augt "
3231 " South Arcot 15th " 21st augt "
3272 " Tinnevelly 19th " 25th Augt "
3271 Railway Agent 22d July " 25th Augt "

3 As these Communications contain much valuable information the Board are unwilling to defer their Reply to

to the Registration of Government pending the receipt of further Replies. The substance of these letters is as follows =

1st The Chamber of Commerce (whose Members are all more or less occupied in exporting the Raw produce of the Country in various stages of preparation) Expresses a decided Conviction of the benefits which have resulted from the unrestricted importation of Machinery both in the development of the Resources of the Country and on the Stimulus given to the industry and intelligence of Native artisans who are now frequently found Capable of Repairing and even Constructing portions of Machinery. They Recommend that no restriction should be placed on the importation of Machinery and that the widest possible Construction should be given to the terms although the Chamber are silent as to the effect which freedom from duty has had on the importation of Machinery their Recommendation to extend this freedom as far as possible seems to indicate an opinion that importation will thereby be increased =

5 On the other hand the Collector of

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of Sea Customs argues that the Machinery now
in use in this Country would be here, whether
the duty had been levied or no, to draw this
Conclusion from the Circumstance that the
Machinery now in use is necessary to oper-
-ations Conducted on a Scale which would
render the duty a matter of trifling import-
-ance - It will be seen however that the use
of Machines is not limited to Concerns of
such Cost and magnitude, so that Mr.
Underwoods argument is only of partial
application From a 2d letter from the
Acting Collector of Customs which is
also forwarded with its enclosure the Board
learn that Mr. Underwood has refused
exemption from duty to bonafide Machines
in seven different instances and as they
think erroneously Mr. Underwood will be
Requested on his return to explain the
grounds of his Refusal to admit these ar-
-ticles duty free as also his instructions
to the Collector of Madras to Collect duty
on parts of Machinery and on Models of
Machines imported by the Bayfood
Iron Company

6 Doctor Hunter has furnished the

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the Board with a list of Machines designed
for various purposes ordered by natives
from England for their own use such
as Looms of various Kinds Rice cleaning
Machines Oil presses and printing presses
he testifies to the eagerness with which Models
are sought for and imitated by Natives in
-stancing the already extensive introduction
of the Fly Shuttle and Lathe with Fly wheel
as improvements on their own Contrivances
Numerous models of simple and useful
applications of Machinery have already
been prepared by Doctor Hunter and it
is his opinion that great advantage
would result from providing a complete
Collection of models for public inspection
He would extend the exemption from duty
as widely as possible to every thing Connected
with Machinery

7 Colonel Cotton acting Master of the Mint
has also expressed a very decided opinion in
favour of the free importation both of all
Kinds of Machinery and also of plate iron
as being a necessary Component part in
the Construction of most of the Machines
used in preparing the Raw produce of

the

the Country for exportation and in that of the boats destined for Canal and River Irrigation. He is of opinion that the more extended employment of European Machinery the greater will be the benefit to the Native artisan who finds in them Models for imitation.

8 Mr. Ironcruff, Civil Engineer of the Godavary division gives a list of the articles to which he would apply the exemption now granted to Machinery under the Rules he includes besides Machinery of every description all the tools which are required for working in Iron and even suggests that all English tools might be admitted duty free as they are greatly preferred by Native Craftsmen.

9 Mr. Faulkner who has imported Machinery very extensively states that he has been refused Remission of the duty on detached portions of Machines and on articles necessary in putting them together such as Rivets for boilers wire gauze for seed cleaners and also on plate iron to be used in the Construction of boats and boilers. He adds that Machines sent out piece meal and made up in the Country

Country are much Cheaper than those made up in England and he seems to have acted on his experience to some extent as he states that the workmen so employed have multiplied greatly in number during the last 8 years Mr. Faulkner suggests that not should only plate iron for the hulls of Steamers be exempted but that the indulgence should extend to all plate iron and even iron destined for other uses and to Steel and files.

10 The Collectors of Malabar and South Arcot though writing with limited means of judging of the results of the use of Machinery in their districts express themselves decidedly favorable to the exemption from duty of all Machines connected with agriculture, mining operations Railways Irrigation Railroads Steamers and state that Native artisans are already led to imitate the Machines which they see in operation around them.

11 Mr. Hall Recommends that the terms of the Rule should be more precisely defined than they now are but states that

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that no instance has occurred of exemption being refused.

12 The Collector of Tinnevelly informs the Board that the importation of Machinery has been limited hitherto, to Cotton Screws and their appurtenances and that he does not feel able to offer an opinion on such limited grounds.

13 Major Jenkins agent to the Madras Railway Company has forwarded letters from the Chief Engineer and Locomotive Superintendent of the Company. The former Mr. Bruce gives no opinion Regarding the influence of the Customs Rule but considers that there can be no room to doubt the benefits conferred on the Country and on Native artizans of the extended use of Machinery both as an aid to agriculture and as a means of instruction to artizans which is indispensable to their acquiring the power of creating Machines for themselves.

14 Mr. Wright the Locomotive Superintendent holding the same opinion enters at greater length than on the

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the subject he considers that the exemption accorded to Machinery operates as a great encouragement to its importation and that many Natives who have shewn a desire to import Machinery Regard it in that light since whatever may be the amount of Revenue sacrificed by the free admission he would look upon it as so much Capital profitably invested.

15 Mr. Wright gives instances in which Natives both individually and associated have determined on procuring Machinery for agricultural or manufacturing purposes, a general desire to avail themselves of the aid of Machines appears to be gaining ground among intelligent Natives.

16 As regards the effects exercised upon Native industry Mr. Wright points out that for some time to come it must undoubtedly aid in the production of Products by Native workmen while eventually the latter may probably become qualified to supply the wants of the County themselves

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themselves at a cheaper Rate than English Manufacturers.

17 It is unnecessary the Board should think to dwell at any length on the question of the benefits resulting from the importation of Machinery as even on the proportion which they bear to the Revenues relinquished by Government in its free admission. They would therefore simply add their decided concurrent with the testimony so generally given by the majority of the authorities they have consulted.

18 The advantages to be gained by Native artificers are the Board should equally important & would be premature to speak of discouragement a branch of industry which does not yet exist and which can only be originated and fostered by the free use of European Machinery. Native workmen must see Machines in operation before they can appreciate and desire to imitate them and in order to succeed in such attempts the opportunity

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of close and frequent observation is essential.

19 To fulfil these conditions in reference to the bulk of the industrial Community the use of Machinery must extend far and wide throughout the Country and in proportions as the Native Craftsmen become capable of replacing or originating Machines of less cost than they can be imported. the demand will naturally and gradually be transferred to the Native Market.

20 The extent to which freedom from duty has encouraged importation is necessarily matter of inference rather than fact. The Collector of Customs alone holds the opinion that the sacrifice of Revenue has been without influence on the extent of the importation. admitting the necessity for keeping large and valuable works fully supplied with the necessary amount of Machinery and that the duty is of little moment in Comparison with this necessity enough has

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has still been brought forward to shew that the question is by no means confined to works of the magnitude contemplated by Mr. Tenterwood, and that the aid of Machinery is likely to be extensively sought by Planters to whom the absence of an import duty is matter of Calculation and encouragement—

21 The Board therefore view in the Rule as it stands a beneficial stimulus to the introduction of Machinery— It remains to offer an opinion on the scope which should be given to the term Machinery—

22 It has been unduly narrowed in the opinion of the Board by the Collector of Sea Customs and by the Local officers who refused to Mr. Faulkner a remission of duty on some of the Component parts of Machine all such however, simple, they would include under the term of Machinery plate iron for whatever purpose

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purpose designed might also the Board think be with advantage admitted free— as its principal application are to those simple Machines which are used in preparing the Raw produce of the Country for the purposes of trade it seems desirable also to assist the development of Canals and River Navigation by facilitating as far as possible the Construction of the iron vessels which are best adapted for this purpose—

23 The Board are also of opinion that very great advantage would result if the general term were extended for a limited time to include tools of every description many of the most essential parts of all Machines can be made only with the aid of the best English tools and as the object of the Government is to encourage native manufacture it seems obviously right to facilitate the attainment of the means by which alone manufacture is possible—

24 In Closing their Remarks the Board would express their satisfaction and hope with which they regard

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Regard the growing desire now shewn by the in-
=telligent portion of the Community to avail them-
=selves of European science in their mercan-
=mercial negotiations and industrial under-
=takings which cannot fail to be follow-
by the most satisfactory results.

Revenue Board office
Fort St. George
1st September 1856

(Signed) G. S. Forbes
Secretary

Received the undermentioned
Miscellaneous Letters and Statements.

32
Mr No. 2024
From the Collector of Madura. Statement shewing the quantity
of Salt in store available for exportation to
Calcutta at each of the Ports of Export on 31
July 1856.

33
Mr No. 2023
From the Collector of Madura. Statement shewing the quantity
Salt in store available for exportation to Calcutta
each of the Ports of Export on 15th August 1856.

34
Mr No. 2021
From the Collector of Tuticorin. Stating that the monthly re-
=turns therein mentioned are not sent as none of the
particulars which they are to contain have occ-
=curred during July 1856.

35
Mr No. 2022
From the Collector of Tuticorin. Stating that the monthly re-
=turns therein mentioned are not sent as no case of
suspension or removal have occurred in July
1856.

36
Mr No. 2025
From the Collector of Madura. Rain Report for the Month
of July 1856.

J.G.B.

Proceedings

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue Tuesday
the 2d September 1856.

Read the following Papers.

37

B. No. 3375.

From the Secretary to Government — Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Marine Department Dated 17th October 1855.

No. 226.

Read the following letter from the Acting Secretary Marine Board.

Submits Extract from a letter from Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co. on the question of levying tonnage dues on Vessels after an interval of only Six Months instead of leaving the Charge within that period after an interval of only 2 or 3 Months according as the Vessel visits the Ports in different Calender years say in November and January with Board's Observation thereon.

Here enter 2 September 1856

In this letter the Marine Board bring before Government the question for what term Vessels having paid Port dues in a given Port, are to be exempted from paying them again at the same port. The "Berkshire" was at Madras in May 1855 and again in July and on each occasion she paid Port dues Rupees 109-2-0

She

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The Agents for the Ship Messrs. Arbuthnot & remonstrate against the Second Charge, but the Collector of Sea Customs maintains that it is in accordance with established rule, and the Marine Board submit the case for the orders of Government.

2.

On the 10th. May 1845 the Government of India passed an order that no Vessel should be required to pay Tonnage dues more than twice in the same year, at the same Port. This order which at first referred only to the Out Ports of this Presidency was on the 28th. September 1848 declared by the Government of Fort St. George to be applicable also to Madras itself.

3.

On the 13th. April 1847 Government directed that Chinese should not be required to pay Tonnage duty more than twice in the same year in the same "District."

4.

On the 11th. December 1857 the Marine Board issued a Circular Order referring to the two Orders above cited, and intimating that "the Tonnage duty" is not to be levied more "than once in Six Months, and that the Calendar "year is to be used in computing the period for "which the Charge is to be made." On the 14th

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14th. February 1852 this order was declared by Government to be applicable to Madras. The meaning of the Order is somewhat obscure but it appears from Mr. Underwood's letter received with that now under notice that it has been interpreted to signify that Tonnage dues are demandable once in each half of the Calender year, or in other words, that a Vessel paying such dues is exempted from a Second demand at the same Port only until the end of the June or December next succeeding which ever month comes first.

5. The Marine Board now points out that this rule acts harshly and unfairly. If a ship touches at a port in January and again in June the Second visit is free but if having arrived and paid dues in June, she comes again in July after the lapse it may be of only a single Month, a Second payment is demanded. It is often convenient to a Ship to touch at

Madras

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Madras a second time within Six Months, to complete her Cargo or to take in Passengers, but under the rule as now acted on, the mere accidental circumstance that the 30th. June or the 31st. December has or has not intervened determines whether the Second visit is liable to the demand of Port dues—

6. This is clearly unreasonable if Government can afford to exempt a Vessel from a Second demand from December to June, they can afford to allow the same exemption from March to October. The Order of the Government of India of 10th. May 1845. on which the subsequent orders are based does not at all require the unequal rule which is now acted on and on the considerations above set forth, the Governor in Council is now pleased to modify the rule, and to direct that henceforward, a vessel shall not be required to pay Port dues at the same Port more than once within any Six Months, the said Six Months to be reckoned from the day of arrival on

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the last occasion of paying to the day of arrival on the present occasion. Under this rule, when a Vessel claims exemption from Port dues, it will only be necessary to ascertain whether she has paid dues on an arrival within the Six Months preceding her present arrival if she has done so, she is not to pay again—

7. The Governor in Council is also pleased to direct that this new rule shall be applied to the case of the arrival of the "Berkshere" in July last—

8. As respects the Provinces, this rule will be applied to the order of Government of the 13th. April 1847, by substituting the "same District" for the "same Port"—

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

37-38

B. No. 2874

Proceedings thereon.— Ordered that Copy of the above Extract Minutes Consultation be forwarded to the Acting Collector of Sea Customs at Madras and Paras 5-6 and 8 to all Collectors of Maritime Districts for information and guidance—

Extract

15940 Fort St. George 2d. September 1856.

B. No. 3094

From the Secretary to Government

39

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 9th August 1856.

Stating the views of Government with respect to the claims of Puttaby Ramier to succeed to the Goodemeluay Shrotriem, and referring the question back for more accurate enquiry by the Board as regards the alleged adoption of the above individual by the late holder.

(See No. 841 in Separate Volume) P. 103

39-40

B. No. 2285.

Resolution thereon -

Resolved that the foregoing Extract Minutes of Consultation be communicated to the Collector of Chinglepet, who will make further enquiry into the alleged fact of Puttaby Ramier's adoption and report the result with such further evidence as may be addduced in support of it - If the original documents called for in Para 7 can be verified by registry or otherwise, he will satisfy himself on that point -

41

B. No. 3324.

From the Secretary to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department Dated 25th August 1856.

Communicating the orders of Government with respect to the continuance or otherwise of certain lapsed yeomials and Enams in the District of Kurnool -

(See No. 893 in Separate Volume) P. 105

Order

15941 Fort St. George 2d. September 1856.

B. No. 2841.

Order thereon -

41-42

Ordered to be communicated to the Officiating Government Agent for information and guidance - The Board have received a further report on the subject of the Lungerkanah endowment - alluded to in Para 4 which will be laid before Government -

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43

B & Ro 3321.

From the Actg. Deputy Secretary to Government -

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Dated 26th August 1856.

Order of Government on the Statement made before the Torture Commission from Raga: -wa Sharry an inhabitant of the Village of Maloona in the Talook of Vunthavasy in the Zillah of Chittoor dated 7th February 1855 No. 182.

It appears from the Collector's report that there are no grounds whatever for the charge of bribery against the Nail Sheristadar and the Petitioner retracts his Statements made before the Torture Commissioners further notice of this case is therefore unnecessary -

/Signed/ G. N. Taylor.
Acting Deputy Secy: to Govt.

43-44

B. No. 2830.

Order thereon -

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector

45

B/. No. 3325.

From the Secretary to Government.

Collector of North Arcot for information.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 26th August 1856.

Communicating certain correspondence from the Military Department relative to the removal of a hedge and the filling in of a tank situated below St. Thomas' Mount and claimed by the Portuguese Mission as its property and requesting the Collector of Chingleput to report on certain points with reference to the claim advanced.

See No. 895 in Separate Volume P. 107

45-46

B/. No. 2835.

Order thereon.

Ordered to be forwarded to the Collector of Chingleput for report.

47

B/. No. 3347.

From the Secretary to Government.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 27th August 1856.

Authorizing the refund of Rupees 25. being the fine imposed on one Gopoorien by the Collector of Tanjore

See No. 904 in Separate Volume P. 111

47-48

B/. No. 2838.

Order thereon.

Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Collector of Tanjore for information and guidance.

Extract

B/. No. 3370.

From the Secretary to Government.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Public Works Department dated 28th August 1856.

49

Communicating the observations and orders of Government on a letter from the Chief Engineer with respect to an increased allowance for the maintenance of the Roads of the Coimbatore District.

See No. 1537 in Separate Volume P. 112

49-50

Order thereon.

Ordered to be recorded.

No. 48.

51

B/. No. 3373

From the Secretary to Government.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 29th August 1856.

Read the following report from the Civil Auditor.

(Here enter 26th August 1856.)

To The Right Honorable the Governor in Council grants leave of absence to Mr. T. Clarke Collector of Malabar for 15 Months, under Section VI of the Civil absence Rules, to proceed to England on sick Certificate from the date of his embarkation on the Steamer as also leave for a period not exceeding 42 days under

under clause 4th of the above Section as amended by the order of the Government of India dated 27th June 1856 to enable him to proceed to Madras for the purpose of embarking. In the event of Mr. Clarke's electing to embark at Galle, leave according to distance at ten Miles a day, will be allowed under the rule and order above as quoted, to the place where he may quit the limits of this Presidency.

2. As it would however be very inconvenient for Mr. Clarke to leave the District as just at the present time before arrangement can be made for the charge of the District, the Governor in Council desires that unless absolutely compelled by the state of his health to leave earlier, Mr. Clarke will retain charge until the end of September at least unless relieved by a successor at an earlier date.

Ordered that the Report of the Civil Auditor with the above resolution be communicated to Mr. Clarke.—

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

Ordered to be recorded.

Extract

51-52
Order thereon.

B. No. 3376.
From the Secretary to Government.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 29th August 1856.

53

Requesting the Board to furnish information as to the probable duration of the operations of the Madras Survey

/ See No. 910 in a Separate Volume. / P. 117

53-54
B. No. 2842.
Order thereon.

Forwarded to the Collector of Madras, who is requested to ascertain and report the probable duration of the Survey.

No. 111

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

55.
B. No. 2458.
From the Collector of Tanjore.

Sir,

I have the honor to receive an Extract from the proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated the 1st April last No. 930.

The petitioner traces his descent as

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from an original yeomiahdar named Sashadry and his relation to him is shewn in the following genealogical tree in which he is marked D.

Sashby

A

Sashastry shastry = original grantee.

B

Syashastry Son

E

Eswera shastry Son

G

Ramashastry Son

C

Son Appasawmy Shastry.

F

Adopted Son & Nephew Vencata = narainshastry yeomiahdar.

H

Son Soobba shastry dead.

Another Son of Venca = tanarain = shastry.

D

Son Sammatha = shastry Board Petit = tioner.

I

Son Annashastry dead.

J

Shawa shastry absent.

3. He states that the yeomiahdar marked **F** had been paying to him and to **I** and **J** their shares in the Yeomiah (which had descended to them from **A**) up to the end of fusly 1255 and 1260 respectively. He admits that the Yeomiah certificate is held by only **F** and bases his claim, upon his descent from the said original yeomiahdar. He has further proved, in the absence of any written document

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in support of his claim, that **F** had been paying to him his share up to fusly 1255 by the evidence of 4 witnesses inhabitants of his village - This evidence however is impeached by **F** as given by interested parties -

4. The original yeomiah certificate having been granted to **F** soon after the assumption of the Country, and the funds from which the Yeomiah is disbursed having been up to fusly 1261 kept in deposit, no sanction was necessary for the disbursements made upto that fusly, but from fusly 1262 in which the revenues from these and other sources were incorporated with the Jyen† Beriz this yeomiah has been and still continues to be disbursed to **F** under the sanction conveyed in para 2 of Exctract from Minutes of Consultation under date the 6th April 1852 -

† Vide Pro: of Board 23d Sept.r 1850.

T. B. 6th Dec.r 157. B.d's Pro: 23d Febry. 1852.

5. With reference to the requisition contained in the 2d para of the Proceedings under reply, it does not appear upon enquiry that the Petitioner's claim is barred by lapse of time -

(Signed) J. W. Cherry. Acting Collector.

Tanjore, Rody curray, 30th June 1856.

Ordered

15950. Fort St. George 2d. September 1856.

Ordered that the following Official Memorandum be sent.

55-56

B. No. 2832.

To the Acting Collector of Tanjore.

Memorandum.

The Acting Collector of Tanjore is requested to return the Petition No. 20 of 1856 as addressed to Government as it does not appear to have accompanied his letter of 30th June No. 111.

In Cons: 2d. September 1856.

Revenue Board Office, Fort St. George, 2d. September 1856.

(Signed) G: S: Forbes. Secretary.

To, No. 88.

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

57

B. No. 2833.

From the Actg. Collr. of Guntoor.

Sir,

In reply to Extract Proceedings Board of Revenue dated 19th Instant, I have the honor to report that 7,800 Indian Maunds of Salt have been engaged for export to Chittagong at a freight of 40 Rupees per hundred Indian Maunds which arrangement was sanctioned by the Board on 14th Idem. The Salt will, I expect, be shipped in a few days.

Guntoor District, Collector's Office, Condanced 22d. July 1856.

(Signed) H: Newill. Acting Collector.

Order thereon. 57-58

Ordered to lie over.

C.B.

To,

15951. Fort St. George 2d. September 1856

No. 81.

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

59

B. No. 2883

From the Acting Collector of Masulipatam.

Submitting for the decision of the Board, a question arising out of the lapse of Pensionary allowance enjoyed by a female of one of the under branches of the family of the Ex Zemindar of Vinnacottah and Goodewadah in the District of Masulipatam

Sir,

Para 1 I have the honor to request you will be good enough to lay before the Board of Revenue for their orders, the following question arising out of the lapse of a Pensionary allowance enjoyed by a female of one of the under branches of the family of the Ex zemindar of Vinnacottah and Goodewadah.

2 Under the orders of Government dated 28th February 1850 communicated by the Commissioner on the 4th March following a monthly allowance of Rupees 1000 was granted to Crimdanah Panpiah Row, who was left to make his own arrangement with the other members of the Family respecting its distribution which was last made as noted below.

B. A. P.

C. Panpiah Row Ex zemindar and Head of the family — 573 — 5 — 4

C. Venkata

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C. Vencata Nursimha Jaganadha Row brother of Dº	90	—	—
C. Rama Row brother of Dº	90	—	—
C Sobhanadry Row and Jagana dah Row Sons of the late Rayeru Row brother of Dº	90	—	—
C Venkata Krooshana Row and Venkata Nursimha Row Sons of the late Boochy Panpiah Row Dº Dº	90	—	—
C. Atchamah widow of the late Lutchma Row Dº Dº	33	5	4
C. Ringamah widow of the late Venkatrow Dº Dº	33	5	4

In consequence of Complaints of non payment being preferred by the two last against the Head of the family, Government under date 29th June 1855 Nº 780 confirmed to them the said amounts of allowance with arrears and authorized the Commissioner to carry the arrangement into effect by retaining a portion of Panpiahs allowance Accordingly orders were issued for the due payment monthly of Rupees 33 — 5 — 4 to each of the females with arrears at 100 Rupees per mensem to be deducted out of the total Sums paid to Panpiah Row

Matters standing thus Atchamah died childless on the 16th November 1855 This event has given rise to different claims Panpiah Row has petitioned that as the Head of the family the Sum hitherto paid to the deceased, may revert to him together with the remainder of arrears undis charged. His nephews Sobhanadry Row and Soggamadha Row claim it exclusively for themselves on the plea that their father and the husband of the deceased, were born of one Mother. Rama Row has requested that the arrears may be paid to one Sooranany Vencanah, a creditor of the deceased and that the Monthly allowance for October and part of November should be paid to him in payment of funerab expences he incurred. Ven Rata — narsimha Jaganadha Row prays that the allowance of the deceased may be divided between him and the younger branches. Sooranani Ven Ranah, as creditor of the deceased, claims the whole of the arrears due to the deceased. —

On

4 On the petition of Sanpiah Row Mr. Inshington passed the following order "on the amount with arrears due up to the "date of her decease to Atchama Row being discharged "there will be no further claim in connexion "with her against the Ex zemindar. The Collector "considers that the last person who should "claim from the Collector, money belonging to "the Estate of the deceased is the man who "so long and so unjustly kept her out of her allowance "leaving her to be dependent on others or to starve. "The amount will continue to be deducted as "heretofore until the whole arrear be discharged. "The money will be retained in deposit in the "Collectors Treasury until any party shall produce "due authority from a judicial tribunal to re- "ceive the same whether as the representative "of the deceased Atchamah or under any other "duly Established plea."—

5 It is not clear in this order whether Mr. Inshington meant that the deduction monthly of Rupees 33—5—4 on account of the deceased

deceased should cease or in other words the sum enjoyed by her revert to Sanpiah Row as the Head of the family. The question now for decision, is whether in such cases the right to the lapsed portion vests in the Head in whose name only the Pension was granted or whether the whole sum paid to them is to be diminished by the lapsed amount. I am myself of opinion that the former is the right course and would therefore recommend its adoption in the present case.—

Masulipatam Collectors Cutcherry 24th July 1856.

/Signed/ S. Fraser
Acting Collector

B. No. 2859
Proceedings thereon
59-60.

The Board see no reason to disturb the order passed by the late Collector directing the deduction from the Ex zemindars allowance of the arrears due by him to the deceased up to the date of his death the money thus accumulated should be kept in deposit to the credit of the deceased's Estate until a legal claim to it is established before the courts.—

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2 The Board consider that the allowance hitherto assigned to Atchamah does not lapse to Government but reverts to Cundanah panjiah Row as the head of the family and the party in whose name the monthly allowance of Rupees 1000 was granted.—

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Fº 162

To

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

Bd. Nº 3190

From the Acting Collector of Ganjam

Sir

With reference to the late Commissioners Endorsement on Petition Nº 842 of 1856 I have the honor to report that Cheracoo Soobarow is the man whose case came so prominently forward as the man who was mobbed for giving information about smuggled salt just before Mr. Prenderagast took charge in return for this I employed him as acting Police Gomastah at Chetterpoor where he quarrelled with the Head of Police afterwards he was at Berhampoor as Acting Cutwall and for a time in charge of

of the Police. in both cases I got frequent Complaints of his neglect of duty from Europeans as well as Natives.—

2 Three charges were brought against him two for Bribery both cases were tried by Mr. Davidson who acquitted the man but considered he had acted very indiscreetly in accepting money which he did and sent it to the Hoozoor in the 1st case the Evidence was very defective in the second two men swore to having given him one 12 the other 8 Rupees but on their unsupported Evidence he could not be convicted in this case he sent up 8 Rupees as one of these cases occurred on the 5th April and the other on the 28th I could not but suppose that money had been taken in the interim or the second party would not have thrown away his rupees and C. Soobarow was cautioned to be more careful in future. Soon after this the Head of Police having returned C. Soobarow was out of employ. One night he appre-hended a man going along the road with two letters from a merchant to another in Ganjam

one

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one was said to contain a bill of sale the other 100 Rupees note. Soobarow sent the letter and bill of sale to the Assistant Agent but denied all Knowledge of the note the first letter was sent up unopened Mr. Davidson dismissed the charge of taking this 100 Rupees note but recorded his opinion that his stepson the man was wholly uncalled for and till the defendant "tempered his zeal with prudence he was unfit for public employ" in this Jemmundi and he was not again employed till at Mr. Davidsons request he was tried as salt Goomastah of Mowsoorcottah, there he failed in his duty and in spite of repeated orders neglected to get on with the storing till at last one day Mr. Davidson went over there unexpectedly and finding &c. nothing done and no one Except one Dundasseu at the spot he dismissed the petitioner as incorrigible, on which without giving over charge of his records or cash he went off without leave to Vizagapatam. He professes to feel much hurt that he has not been made a Tahsildar or Manager of Kemmidy but the Board &c will

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Police Constable of Ganjam from 1st August 1856 to 22nd Ditto 1856 — 2-7
Cutwall of Pondicherry from 11th October 1854 to 6th June 1855 — 5-8
Police amen of Pondicherry from 25th June 1855 to 31st August 1855 — 1-6
Salt Goomastah of Ganjam from 1st Sept 1856 to 9th Ditto 1856 — 10-15

will I think agree that my Endorsement to his petition is fully borne out and that Petitioner is not fitted for public Employ. His Service amounts to 10 months and 15 Days as shewn in the margin.—

His petition is returned herewith

Ganjam District
Collectors Office.
Chatterpoor
1st August 1856

/Signed/ W. Knox
Acting Collector

B.d No. 2882
Order thereon

Ordered that the following Endorsement be passed on Petition No. 842 of 1856.—

"The Board have received a report from the Acting Collector on Petitioner's Conduct while in office and decline to interfere."—

No. 126.

To G. S. Forbes Esq.re
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

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B.d No. 3172
From the Collector of Coimbatore

Submits a proposition with reference to the sale of Punjah Lands under the Kadapully and Aracanacottah new channels in Suttimungalam Taluk—

Sir By the extention of the 2 Channels Kadapully and Aracanacotta in Suttimungalam Taluck about 700 Bullahs in one, and 100 in the other of dry land / Some Cucar waste, Some held on Poonjah and Grass puttah / will become capable of

irrigation

irrigation there are innumerous offers and applicants for the new Nunjah.—

2 I propose with the Boards leave, to dispose of it as follows. On the old waste there are of course no claims I propose to put up to Competition this land; as the only fair way to Ryot and Government it will fetch a considerable Sum, and reimburse Some of the outlay and it will also be open and fair to all. other portions of the land are held on old Poonjah Puttahs, by poor Ryots who have contributed nothing to the improvement but have a claim on the land as dry Punjah Cultivators of long standing.— I propose to let them retain their puttahs if they wish/ now as new Nunjah/ on payment to the Circar of half of the sale price voluntarily bid by the other purchasers again there are a few recent Puttadars who have only taken up land since Fusly 1261 on speculation to get a hold and possession of it on hearing that the channel was to be enlarged" they are not Ryots of the place, with any local claims, but speculators who have held these Punjah Puttahs/ without cultivating/ for a few years merely to establish a

footing and claim on the lands. Such claim is hardly admissible I would however allow them the land and 3/4 of the upset price as they have a Puttah though a recent one to Show, Such Puttahs must have been knowingly given by the Curnum or Tahsildar for the purpose of giving a claim in anticipation of the expected new Nunjah.—

3 Judging from present enquiry the lands will fetch, if Sold about 30 or 40 Rupees per Cawny— I would allow the present Punjah holders therefore/ of old date/ to pay only 1/2 of that Sum— latter holders speculators/ since the extension of the new cut began/ 3/4ths of the full price all will agree to this arrangement/ which indeed appears the only fair one.—

4 To allot the land in any other way will be to open a way to fraud and partiality the land will go to friends or followers of the Tahsildar or Curnum an auction Sale is the only fair test of the value of the land and the best mode of disposing of it. The plan has the civil Engineers concurrence and the people

peoples generally

Coimbatore &c. }
9th August 1856. } Signed/ E. B. Thomas
Collector

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.

To

The Collector of
Coimbatore

Sir

63-64
B. N. 2853
To the Collector &c. of Coimbatore &c. — Communicating instructions with respect to the disposal of the waste lands which will be brought under irrigation by the extension of the Tandapully and Aracancotta Channels. —

In reply to your letter dated 9th August detailing the arrangements under which you propose to dispose of the waste lands which will be brought under irrigation by the extension of the Tadapully and Aracancotta Channels I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you that the Government in Para 15 of their Minutes Consultation dated 8th May 1856 / No. 867 P. W. D. &c. / copy of which is herewith forwarded for your information / objected to the disposal of waste land by auction, under similar circumstances on the ground that the claims of the ryots of the Soil would be prejudicial. —

In corr. 27 May 1856

2 The Board are therefore unable to sanction

sanction the plan you propose either in reference to the immemorial waste or to occupied lands now paying a poorjah assessment whether recently occupied or otherwise. The waste land will consequently be made over to applicants in the usual way preference being invariably given to the ryots of the Village in cases when they are desirous of cultivating and able to undertake the ground they apply for. —

2 The rate to be levied on these lands will henceforth be a fixed munjah rate to be determined with reference to the present classification of the land which will be transferred to the corresponding classes of Nunjah. —

The Board consider it desirable that the distribution of these lands as on all other occasions when considerable tracts are newly allotted for cultivation should receive your special attention with a view to prevent the undue engrossment of too large a proportion by persons who are unable to undertake its cultivation and in order that the claims of the poorer ryots may not be unjustly overlooked or set aside. —

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George &c. }
9th September 1856. } / Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary

To

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To

G. S. Forbes Esq^re
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St George

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B^d No 3187

From the Acting Collector of Guntoor

Sir

In returning the Petition No 41 of 1856 bearing the Boards endorsement dated the 28th Ultimo, I have the honor to submit a copy of the report thereon alluded to as directed.

Guntoor District Collectors Office Condanced 12th August 1856

/Signed/ H. Newill
Acting Collector

Enclosure No 2

Endorsement on Petitions No 348 and 778 of 1855

The Enam land referred to by the Petitioner was resumed in 1848 nearly nine years ago in Common with other Enams which were proved to have been recent grants made by the mother of the late Zemindar of Pasully who had the Village of Navarum assigned to her for her maintenance and which reverted to Government on her demise Petitioners Father since deceased did not then produce any Documents to prove the Con-

-trary Petitioner has now brought forward two Summuds dated in 1771 which he alleges to have been granted by a former Zemindar authorizing the alienation of the Enam he claims He has also produced several Doombalahs, but their genuineness is open to strong suspicion. In fact Petitioners Father was Committed for trial before the Criminal Court at Guntoor in 1848 on a charge of forgery connected with the said Summuds and Doombalahs, and altho he was released, the acquittal does not substantiate the genuineness of the Papers in question. There is a discrepancy in the extent of land as entered in the Summud. Petitioner claims 1 Coorkel, and the Summud shews two, the cause of which Petitioner is unable to explain satisfactorily. He has also produced other papers which throw further doubts on the correctness of the Summuds. Under these circumstances and considering the long period which has elapsed between the period of resumption and the date of the complaint the Acting Collector does not think there is ground for the admission of Petitioners claim

Guntoor District Collectors Office Moondeadoo Dendy 13th May 1856
B^d No 2856
Resolution thereon
(65-66)

/Signed/ H. Newill
Acting Collector

/True Copy/ /Signed/ H. Newill
Acting Collector

Resolved that the report forwarded by the Acting Collector be laid before Government in accordance with the instructions conveyed in their Endorsement dated 16th July 1856 on Petition No 1337 of the same year

15966 Fort St. George 2d. September 1856.

No. 345

To

G. S. Forbes Esqr.

Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

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B. No. 3195
From the Collector
of Tinnevelly

Sir

With reference to your letter of 13th March last directing me to address the Board with some specific plan for the expenditure of the accumulated quitrent of the Courtallum Cuzbe I have the honor to inform you that I have with the principal view that the works to be performed should be as far as possible in connection with Courtallum itself and in communication with the Acting Civil Engineer, decided that the Devastanum fund in question amounting to Rupees 8270-12-5 should be expended on the following works of Public utility Viz.t

1	Erecting a Choultry at Cadiem on Road No. 10	800--
2	Widening Courtallum Bridge on Road No. 9	1200--
3	Do. Tenencary Bridge on Do.	1220-12-5
4	Blasting and clearing out Bathing place under the Courtallum fall	500--
5	Renewing Pavement and laying down gravel on the approaches to Do. fall	500--
6	Improving Right Road through Tenencary	1500--
7	Repairing the large tank in the town of Tenencary	350--
		5970-12-5

2 Inquest the favor of your obtaining the early sanction of the Board prior to my submitting the Estimates and plans through the usual channel when the Civil Engineer promises to furnish me with the same date applied for in order to enable me to give orders for the preparation of the making materials before the setting in of the N. E. monsoon so that they may be ready to commence with the works immediately after the rainy season.

Tinnevelly Collectors
Cutcherry
Tenencassy 12th August 1856
Dt. No. 2878

/ Signed / S. Silver
Collector

Proceedings thereon
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The Board observe that in a recent Circular Order it has been decided that all local funds shall be made available for the formation of District roads

2 A copy of para 11 of the Extract Minutes of Consultation in question explaining their views on this subject is herewith forwarded to the Collector who will be guided by it in determining on Communication with the Civil Engineer the Object on which the funds now referred to should be expended.

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No. 96.

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

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Bo. No. 3198.
From the Collr. of Salem ... } Sir,

Reporting upon Board's Petition No. 785 of 1856.

Adverting to the Board's endorsement on Petition No. 785 of 1856, calling for a fuller explanation on the subject of that petition than the endorsement under date the 31st December afforded, I have the honor to give the following explanation - The Petitioner states that in Fusly 1264, he applied for possession thereof, that he expended upon these lands Rupees 50 to bring them under cultivation in the succeeding fusly (1265); that during the settlement of Fasly 1264 the Sub Collector unjustly issued a temporary puttah in the name of the petitioner for one year / Fusly 1264, and a permanent puttah in the name of one Veerachetty and another, the former holders of the land, and that from this unjust order he has preferred his present complaint to the Board under clause XV Regulation IX of 1822. The petitioner prays that the order of the Sub Collector during the settlement of Fusly 1264, setting aside the petitioner's claim to the lands

lands in question may be cancelled, and that the lands may be put in his possession.

2. From the records of this Office it appears that the lands in question were held for some years past by Veerachetty and Vasundeva and were left waste by them in Fusly 1263; that during the settlement for that Fusly the lands thus left waste were excluded from the settlement and that the petitioner having in the month of November of the following fusly applied for the same lands for pasture they were made over to him on pasture teerwah. The lands above referred to were made over to the petitioner on the understanding that he was to have them that fusly only on the ground that they were then under the attachment of the Court in satisfaction of a decree against the former puttahdar.

3. Prior to the settlement of fusly 1264, one of the former Puttadars, named Veerachetty, offered to take up the lands again on the full assessment, and to pay the balance due from him for fusly 1262. At the settlement for the same fusly, the Sub Collector decided that a temporary puttah for one year (fusly 1264) should be given to the petitioner for pasture teerwah, and that the former holders Veerachetty

Veerachetty and Vasundeva, should be put in possession of the lands from Fusly 1265.-

4. The talook of Denkencottah was settled by myself in fusly 1265. at the Immanabundy for that year it appeared that an arrear of Rs 12 a 3 p 9. was due on the same land for fusly 1262. I then ordered, in conformity with the Sub Collector's previous decision, that the lands should be entered in the name of the former puttadar; and 2ndly that the land should be attached for the old arrears if they were not paid. a question was raised between the two former puttadars whether the land should be entered in the name of one only or in their joint names, but no claim was made by the present petitioner.-

5. On the foregoing grounds I do not consider that the petitioner has any just claim to the lands.-

Salem Collector's Office -
Ofsoor, 13th August 1856

(Signed) H. A. Brett
Collector

3d No. 2883
Order thereon.- Ordered that the following Endorsement be passed on Petition No. 785 of 1856.-
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The Collector informs the Board that the lands

Fort St. George, 2d September 1856.

lands in question was given to Petitioner for pasture on the understanding that he should hold them only for one year.

Under these circumstances the Board cannot interfere.

No. 167

To,

G. J. Forbes Esqr.

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort St. George,

Sir,

Not having been furnished with a list of the different things in the Printing apparatus lately furnished to this Collectorate, I am not aware whether there is the printing paper and ink or not, if there be none, I request that you will have the goodness to direct one of the shops at Madras to furnish me a supply by the first sea opportunity Messrs. Benning & Co are to send up a Ship soon. The Bill for the cost may be sent direct to me for payment

Ganjam District,
Collectors Office,
Chittepore, 14th August 1856.

(Signed) W. Knox.
Acting Collector

71

Bd. No. 3294
From the Actg. Collr. of Ganjam

72

Bd. No. 2848.
To the Collr. of Ganjam

To,

The Collector of Ganjam.

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated 14th August

Fort St. George, 2d September 1856.

Mons 2d Sept/56. August 1856. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you that they have this day forwarded to the Collector of Sea Customs, for despatch to you by the first sea opportunity a Package containing 10 lbs of black Printing Ink - the cost, including the tin Canister, being Rupees 25-12-0 which sum, I request you will have the goodness to remit to this Office at your earliest convenience.

2. With regard to the supply of Paper I am desired to observe that Government have already ordered, in Extract Minutes Consultation 28th November 1855, No. 1799, that Paper for Vernacular work should be provided from the amount sanctioned for Saderward, and for English work, that is, for forms or other documents in substitution of writing in the English Department, from the store of English Stationery should you however experience any difficulty in procuring in your District any particular kind of paper requiring for your press, the Board will cause the necessary purchases to be made for you at Madras, the value of the same being afterwards remitted by you.

Revenue Boards Office
Fort St. George,
2d September 1856.

(Signed) G. J. Forbes.
Secretary

To,

15972 Fort St. George, 2d September 1858.

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Bd. No. 2854.

To the Actg. Collr. of Sea Customs

To,

The Acting Collector of
Sea Customs.

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to forward to you the accompanying Package containing Printing Ink, for the Collector of Ganjam, and to request that you will be pleased to despatch the same by the first sea opportunity - the usual proportion of the freight, payable at Madras, will be disbursed at this Office.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
2d September, 1858.

/Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary

No. 103

74

Bd. No. 3230

From the Actg. Collector of Guntoor

Submitting his views as directed on the subject of the abolition of the Dittum.

To,

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

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Board's Circular Proceedings dated 12th Ultimo conveying orders upon the review of the Settlement of fusly 1263 (1853/54) in the Extract Minutes Consultation dated 11th March last, and to submit my views, as directed, on the subject of the abolition of the Dittum.

The

15973. Fort St. George, 2d September 1858.

2. The Dittum in this District is comparatively of recent origin having been adopted in conformity with the practice existing elsewhere, upon the general substitution of mucta or money rates for the shaving and renting systems which prevailed in many parts of the District.

3. The object of the dittum settlement in securing a clear understanding at the commencement of the season as to the occupation of the Ryots, is doubtless good in some respects, but the numerous evils which have attended it as already described by the Board and with regard to which I claim no general exception for this District, shew that it has answered no good purpose, and as the Government has already concurred in the propriety of its discontinuance it is only necessary for me to add that I have for the current fusly ventured to dispense with it, having previously made known as widely as possible this intention and the stipulation that the last fusly's holdings would be considered as still occupied and chargeable for the next year, unless notices of relinquishment were given within the last day of the fusly.

So

Fort St. George, 2d September 1856

4. So fas as the present season has progressed attended as it has hitherto been by very favorable circumstances, I perceive no difficulty or embarrassment in the step, but on the other hand consider it of much advantage, in the removal of that check to freedom of occupation which was imposed by the interference of the revenue Officers with the Ryots arrangements. The first effect of the withdrawal of the dittum arrangement was carefully watched, as it was to be expected that notices of relinquishments would come in in proportion to the extent to which the dittum might have imposed a constraint to occupation but it was found that these notices of relinquishments were few, and less than in some previous years. This however may, in a great measure, be attributed to the favorable character of the season, and the encouragement held out by it as well as by the previous years good outturn, to enlarge rather than to contract the cultivation

Para 2 Ex. Minute Cons 10th March 1856

5. It remains to notice the measures alluded to by Government as

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as necessary for providing for the relinquishment and occupation of lands and also for their transfers. The former has already been provided for in the manner above described.† The occupation of new lands is also a matter easily arranged under the general rules now in force. In the case of transfers it has been the general practice for the party transferring the land to give a notice of relinquishment, and the transferee one of occupation, so that these cases resolve themselves into those last named, with the exception that the relinquishment is admissible after the period fixed for the unconditional abandonment of other lands.

† Para 3

6. The above changes are registered by the Curnums who have been furnished with tabulated forms for the purpose as the new Forms of Village accounts do not seem to provide for it. On examination of these returns by the Tahsildar or other Talook servants as soon as the cultivation season closes should correct irregularities and prepare them for adoption at the Jamabundy settlement without confusion or delay.

7. A few words may be here said about the Dittum Bunger alluded to in para 3 Extract Minutes Consultation above quoted. The

The principle there laid down having already been expressed in the Extract Minutes Consultation dated 8th September 1855 regarding the Poollary of this District, was kept in view in making the settlement of fusly 1265. The remission of 2/3rds of the Village poollary as well as the favourable season and good prices enabled me in a great measure to carry out the course prescribed and almost entirely to dispense with remissions on uncultivated lands in occupation, as has already been described in the correspondence on the Poollary arrangement. Without the relief afforded by the abolition of the Poollary this more satisfactory footing of the land assessment could scarcely have been gained, but it will now probably be retained, exceptions being permitted for "clear circumstances of season" as allowed by Government, and provision being made also for any undue depression of prices of agricultural produce by some measure suited for the purpose.

Para 15

8. In the Palnaud, however where with entire freedom of cultivation it has been the long continued practice only to charge lands actually cultivated, I do not think it expedient to introduce any sudden change. The new

new imposition of rents on the Hills and Jungles in that tract renders it also desirable to abstain from pressing taxation beyond its present limits as regards the ryots holdings. The rule of charging only cultivated lands with perfect freedom of relinquishment, which is generally taken advantage of for changing lands very extensively every few years has perhaps worked well, tho' the latter practice is not altogether consistent with permanent holdings, while again the nature of the land is such that it will not bear continual cropping without intervals of rest for fallow-

Guntoor District.
Collr's Office Condaveed.
4th August 1856.
Bd's No. 2860
Proceedings thereon.
74-75.

Signed/ H. Newill
Acting Collector

ing. The Board approve the steps taken by the Acting Collector in carrying out the abolition of the Dittum and notice with satisfaction the success which has attended the introduction of the new rules regarding occupied land left waste owing probably, as the Collector observes, to the relief afforded by the Poollary remissions.

2. The circumstances of the Palnaud as regards the occupancy of land are exceptional, owing to the nature of the Country the Board are willing therefore that the new rules

rules should not be pressed in the Palmaud Talooks untill permanent holdings become more general.—

No. 97

To,

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

(76)

Bd. No. 3216 From the Collr. of Salem. Reporting upon Petition No. 662 of 1856

Sir

Adverting to the endorsement of Government on petition No. 662 of 1856, calling upon me to report through the Board of Revenue, whether there request of the petitioner to screen the Civil Court for the recovery of his shares in the Agraharum of Nina Malay can be complied with, I have the honor to submit the following explanation.

2. The petitioner states that out of the 20 shares into which the agraharum of Nynamalay is divided, 4 shares belonged to the petitioner's father that after the death of the petitioner's father in the year 1855 Manmada the above mentioned 4 shares devolved on the petitioner by right of inheritance; that about 20 years ago, on the petitioner leaving Shendamangalum, his native Village, to settle himself at Mayavaram, he committed the 4 shares above

above referred to, to the charge of his nephew named Vurda Iyengar, on the condition that his nephew should give up the land when required by the Petitioner that the petitioner returned about 2 years ago to his Village, and requested his nephew to restore the 4 shares left in his charge, on which his nephew delivered up 3/4 shares, and declined to restore the remainder. The Petitioner therefore prays that he may be allowed to be instituted a Civil action for the recovery of the remaining shares.—

3 It appears on enquiry that the three shares and a quarter which the plaintiff claims from the defendant, on the plea that they belonged to the Plaintiff's father, consists of acres 17-19-5 assessed at Rupees 37-6- In the Survey accounts the agraharum is not devided into shares, but from the "Cosum accounts" or the Village register of the year 1796/97 Nala, a copy of which account has been preserved in the talook records, the 3 shares now under litigation are entered in the name of one Cooppieengar, and the other 1/4 share in the name of another person, named Pareesashiengar who was the father of the defendant. The plaintiff states that Cooppieengar was his father, and that

consequently

consequently he is entitled to Cooppiengar's share that Pariasaehiengar the father of the defendant assigned the above mentioned 1/4 share, another 3/4 share (not under litigation) to, to Vencata Vurdon Ingengar and some others, as remuneration for some religious services in the temple, and that the above mentioned 1/4 share, by virtue of the above assignment, devolved upon Ramakistnien, the grand father of the Plaintiff on the mother's side and from him passed to the plaintiff.-

The defendant, on the contrary, denies that the abovementioned Cooppiengar was the father of the Plaintiff, or, that the Plaintiff committed to his charge any shares in the Agraharam. He further explains that the 3 shares now under litigation belonged to another Cooppiengar, and not to the father of the Plaintiff, that this Cooppiengar having died without issue, the abovementioned 3 shares were enjoyed for some years by one Anunta Lutchmin ammal, the aunt of the above Cooppiengar, that, on the death of anunta Lutchmammal without issue, the same shares devolved on the defendant's father, the nearest of kin to the deceased and that the other quarter share was the property of the defendant's father is proved by the "Cosum" accounts, or Agraharam Enam Rage

5 Under these circumstances, there appears to

to be no reason why the Petitioners application under Regulation IX of 1831 for leave to sue in the Civil Courts should not be complied with.-

Salem Coll.r's Office
Collector ... } /Signed/ H. A Brett
14th August 1856 ... } Collector

Bd's No. 2858
Resolution thereon
(7677)

Resolved that the foregoing report be laid before Government with reference to their Endorsement on Petition No. 662 of 1856.-

2. The Board see no objection to permission being granted to Petitioner to sue in the Courts under Regulation IX of 1831 for the recovery of his asserted rights.-

No. 170

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

(78.)

Bd's No. 3213
From the Coll.r of South Arcot

Sir

I have the honor to request that you will be so kind as to submit to the Board of Revenue whether petty repairs may not be made to the Government House at Cuddalore and defrayed from the rent, leaving the balance only to be brought to the credit of Government.-

2. At present the whole of the monthly rent

rent Viz.t Rupees 87-8-0 is carried to the credit of Government, and when the smallest repairs are required to the building, estimates, either ordinary or occasional, as the case may be, are prepared and the amounts charged against the General Revenue

3. I have recently had occasion to make several emergent repairs to the building and its outhouses, not altogether exceeding in cost one Months rent.

4. It appears to me therefore that the simplest way would be for the Collector to have power to execute such repairs and to pay for them from the rent before it is credited to Government.

5 I am at present as indeed, I have been since I joined the District in 1854 in the occupation of the House in question upon the usual rent, but it might happen that another person might rent it, in which case he would expect that petty repairs of an urgent nature would be executed by the Collector, as his landlord.

South Arcot . . . . .
Coll.rs Circ.t Cutcherry . . .
Pallicondah . . . . .
11th August 1856 . . .

Bd No 2856

To the Coll.r of South Arcot.

Signed/ Arthur Hall
Collector

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.

To The Collector of South Arcot

78-79

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 11th August, proposing that petty repairs required by the house belonging to Government at Cuddalore and now in your occupation should be undertaken by the Collector at his discretion and the cost defrayed from the rent of the house, I am directed by the Board to

to observe that they do not think this system would meet the approval of Government, and that it will be preferable that you should report from time to time what expenditure is required.

Revenue Bd Office . . . .
Fort St. George . . . .
22d September 1856 . . .

/Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary

No 132

To

G. S. Forbes Esq.re
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

80

Bd No 3290

From the Coll.r of Coimbatore . . .

Sir,

With reference to the Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 31st Ultimo No 2412, conveying the Extract from the Minutes of Consultation No 776 of the 28th idem, I have the honor to request that the Board will be good enough to obtain for me 30 sets of Black leather and Buff Accoutrements from the Tannery at Hoonsoor for the use of the Peons of my Office escorting Treasure to the Neilgherries twice a month.

Coimbatore . . . . .
18th August 1856 . . .

/Signed/ E. B. Thomas
Collector

Bd No 2852

Proceedings thereon

80-81.

The Collector is requested to submit an Indent, thro' this Office on the Commissary General for the articles alluded to in the foregoing letter

To

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Fort St. George 2d September 1856

No. 168

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

Bd No. 3323
To the Ag Collr of Ganjam ...
8/12 Instant
No. 5 Copies

Sir

I have the honor to transmit the accompanying letter and list received from the Civil Engineer and as I hope that next year that the road to Butteley will be commenced on, I request the sanction of the Board for the disbursement of Rupees 778-14-0 from the surplus funds of the Purlakemedy Estate being the price of the tools Vca proposed to be purchased for the Maramut works in the Zemindary. Captain Campbell wrote to me on the same subject, and will probably have purchased some of these tools for use in building his Cutcherry Vca

Ganjam District ....
Collectors Office ....
Chetterpore 18th August 1856 ..

/Signed/ H. Knox
Ag. Collector

To H. Knox Esqre
Acting Agent of the Governor of
Fort St. George
Ganjam

No. 564

Sir,

I have the honor to forward a list of Tools on

15985.

Fort St. George 2d September 1856

hand in Lieutenant Meyers store in good order, but I find very moderately priced, and would beg to suggest should it meet with your approval that the same be purchased, and handed over to Captain Campbell about to assume charge of the Maramut in the Nemedy Zemindary. Tools, he will have to purchase for the other roads and works, and these are at hand at moderate prices.-

Civil Engineers Office
9th Division Camp ...
at Chicacole ...
12th August, 1856 ...

/Signed/ W. J. Birdwood
Major
Civil Engr 9th Divn

/True Copy/ Signed/ H. Knox
Ag Collr

List of Centrings Tools Vca belonging to Boondy road

Number	Articles	Size		Price of Each			Total		
				Rs	a	P	Rs	a	P
3	Centrings	1 yard span		5	"	"	15	"	"
2	" Dc	1½	2 Dc Dc	6	"	"	12	"	"
1	" Dc	2	Dc Dc	8	"	"	16	"	"
1	" Dc	3	Dc Dc	12	"	"	12	"	"
1	" Dc	4	Dc Dc	16	"	"	16	"	"
40	Brick moulds	1	Foot Dc	"	5	"	12	8	"
24	" Dc	9	Inches Dc	"	4	"	6	"	"
22	Holl Dc	1	Foot Dc	"	5	"	6	14	"
2	Round Dc			"	8	"	1	"	"
300	Mamaties			"	12	"	225	"	"
280	Pick axes			1	"	"	280	"	"
38	Crow bars			1	12	"	66.	8.	"
39	Hammers			2	"	"	78.	"	"
4	Jumpers			3	"	"	12	"	"
1	Brass tamping bar			6.	"	"	6	"	"
1	Iron Surveying Chains			10	"	"	10	"	"
2	Cash chests			2			4.	"	"
	Unserviceable			Total Rupees			778	14	"
22.	Mamaties								
9	Pickaxes								

Camp at Bindy
29th July 1856. ...

/Signed/ M. Meyer, Lieut
Sept. of Boondy road

/True Copy/ Signed/ W. Knox
Acting Collr

The

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Bd. No. 2833

Proceedings thereon

82-83

The Court of Wards sanction the disbursement of Rupees 778-14- from the surplus Funds of the Purlah Kimedy Estate for the purchase of Tools &c. required for the Maramut Works in the Zemindary as particularized in the enclosure No. 2 which accompanies the forgoing letter.-

No. 64

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Bd. No. 3301

From the Coll. of Rajahmundry &c.

To

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

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2d. Instant and to state that my reply to the Boards Circular dated 24th September 1854 therein referred was submitted on the 10th July 1855. Copies of the same and of the Statement enclosed are herewith forwarded.-

Rajahmundry District
Collectors Office
Dowlaiswaram
18th August 1856.

(Signed) A. Purvis
Collector

To

No. 1

The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Extract of the Proceedings of

C.B.

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of the Board of Revenue under date the 21st. Septr. ultimo last forwarding copy of the Honorable Courts letter of the 30th May 1854 and calling for any further information which may tend to make the information required by the Honorable Court more Complete.-

2 The Board are aware from my letter of the 26th February last that there no papers were up to that date either under Recd. or received in this office or had been mislaid and the Boards letter to Government Referred to in 24th Augt. 1854.- the Proceedings under reply was not forwarded with the Boards letter of the 26th March.-

3. I beg to transmit a Statement containing the little information which can be gleaned from the accounts of this office but am afraid it will throw but little light on the subject.-

Rajahmundry District
Collectors Office
Cocanada 10th July 1855

(Signed) A. Purvis
Collector

Statement

15988 Fort St. George

2nd September 1856

No 2 Statement Shewing the differences between the figures in the Returns of Cultivation &c. prepared by the Honorable Court of Directors and those in the accounts of the Collector's office—

District	Irrigated Land		Dry Cultivation		Total Cultivated Land		Land Revenue	Barren Land	Uncultivated Land	Land not alienated in Inam	Total area Cultivated & uncultivated
	Quantity acres	Assessment thereon Rupees	Quantity acres	Assessment thereon Rupees	Quantity acres	Assessment thereon Rupees	Rupees	acres	acres	acres	acres
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Rajahmundry as per Statement which accompanied the Honble Court's Letter dated 30th May 1854	87757	44,9987	13,328	8,8310.3	2,750.85	133331					
Columns 1 to 7 as per Jummabundy accounts in the Collector's office for Fusly 1260 Corresponding with the 1850/51 adopted by the Honorable Court & Columns 8 to 11 as per Jamabundy accounts for Fusly 1263	These particulars not to be found in the Jamabundy accts				22,554	1,17,833	199115	199095	173245	24,3907	91,3801
As per Demand Collection and Balance Statement up to 11th July 1851	99519	36,2099	2,23,757	76,018	3,11,894	1,15,817					
											5,75,318
											15,19,119

The figures in Columns 1 to 6 with the Cultivation Returns of any Fusly on the Collector's Records will be taken up for Cultivation in Fusly 1260 as will be seen from the Jamabundy heading of those Columns—It has therefore been considered necessary to Seems to have adopted the accounts of 1850/51 which Corresponds with the Jamabundy accounts of Fusly 1263 excepting the Total area of the Inam being no such account for Fusly 1263—

It will be observed that there is a difference both in the accounts and the demand Collection and Balance Statement which I Regret I am not able to explain—

Rajahmundry
Collector's office
Cocanada 10th July 1856

It is not possible to ascertain on what data the figures of the Total area Inam Land entered by the Honorable Court—

Total of Government Estates—
Do of Proprietary Total of Zemindaries—

of the Statement which accompanied the Honble Court's Despatch do not agree those in Columns 2-4 & 6 Correspond with the Amaramu Sheet or assessment of land of that Fusly but not with the actual Cultivation as would seem to be intended from the in the General Columns the right figures for Fusly 1260 as the Honble Court It is necessary to observe also that the figures entered in Cols 8 & 11 are taken from the and Zemindary Estates for which the accounts of Fusly 1261 are adopted there

ccount of land and assessment of Cultivation lands between the Jamabundy

(Signed) A. Turnio
Coll.r

(True Copy)
(Signed) A. Turnio
Collector

15989 Fort St. George 2nd September 1856

Bd's Lr. 2814 9
Proceedings thereon
From Collr. 10 inst
30th July 1855
84-85

On the receipt of the letter referred to above the Board forwarded to the Collector of Rajahmundry a printed copy of their letter of 24th August 1854 and stated that they would be glad to receive any further Remarks or explanations that he might wish to offer To this letter Communication no Reply has been received and as the information furnished in Mr. Purvis' letter of 10th July 1855 did not embrace all the particulars required and as the whole of the papers were not then before him it was considered but a partial Reply to the Board's Circular of 21st September 1854 and he was again called upon for an answer - If the Collector therefore has any further Communication to make he will do with the least practicable delay -

To

+ Ltr. 30th July 1855

In Corr. 30th July 1855

15990 Fort St. George 2nd September 1856

No. 104

86

Bd's Lr. 3295-
From the Collr. of Guntoor

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

Sir

In a Memorandum from the Secretary to Government dated 2nd Instant it is directed that all the items of "Sundry Small Farms and Licenses should be transferred to the head of Land Revenue In this District - These items are as follows -

1 Tax on the privilege of drawing Toddy from Palmiras and date Trees	1265-	7134-
2 Do on Palmiras yielding fruits	"	380-
3 From Small Salers used for making Cas Kets &c	"	201-
4 Sales of Palmira leaves and Trees to Ryots &c for building purposes	"	1103-
		8818-

Sundry Small Farms
Coolies Rumum
Union Cess
Sundry Small Farms

It appears to me that Rent of the Toddy farms or the privilege of drawing toddy from the Govern: -ment trees may perhaps more properly belong to the

Ale Kerr

15991 Fort St. George 2nd. September 1856

Abkarry than the Land Revenue and may possibly be so entered in some other Districts This and also the 2d. and 3d. items are included in the abkarry Rents Recently undertaken for the next 3 years but there would be no difficulty in classing them in the accounts under any heads that may be thought proper - I shall be glad to receive the Board's instructions on the subject -

Guntoor District
Collectors Office
Condaveed
20th. August 1856 -

(Signed) J. H. Neville
Acting Collector

J. H. B.

Ordered

15992. Fort Saint George 2d September 1856

Ordered that the following Official Memo be sent.

86-87
P. No. 2828
To the Secy to Government
In Cons. 2d Sept. 1856

Official Memo.

Sir,

The Acting Collector of Guntoor in a letter to the Board dated 20th August 1856 No. 104 acknowledges the receipt of a Memorandum from the Secretary to Government dated 2d August directing that all items of Sundry Small farms and Licences should be transferred to the head of Land Revenue No copy of that Memo. having been forwarded to the Revenue Board Office, the Secretary has the honor to request that the Revenue Secretary to Government will be pleased to furnish him with a copy

Revenue Board Office,
Fort Saint George,
2d September, 1856.

(Signed) G. S. Forbes
Secretary

No. 183

To
G. S. Forbes Esqre
Secretary to the Court of Wards
Fort Saint George

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After P. No. 3317
From the Collector of Madura
To Court of Wards 20th February 1856
From Do. 17 March 1856

Sir

With reference to the correspondence noted in the margin, I have the honor to forward copy of points recorded by the Subordinate Judge of Madura in Suit No. 1 of 1856 in which he has exempted the guardian and myself from the Suit -

Madura
21st August 1856

(Signed) R. D. Parker
Collector
Original

Fort Saint George 2d September 1856

No 1

Original Suit No 1 of 1856

Points for Plaintiff

1 Prove the execution of the agreement 6th November 1849-

2 Prove the exertions made in consideration of the same-

The 1st and 2d Defendants being unnecessarily included are exempted from this Suit. The costs incurred by them to be collected from Plaintiff

The 3d Defendant Exparte-

22d July 1856

/Signed/ J. R Cockburn

/True Copy/

/Signed/ P D. Parker Collector

88-89

Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded

To

No 68

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort Saint George

90.

Bd No 3407

From the Collr of Rajahmundry

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue under date the 13th March last annexed to the Minutes of consultation of the 01st of January requiring information in regard to the number of Peons employed in connection with Maramut Works previous to the transfer

transfer of the executive to the Engineer Department

2 My reply to a similar reference was submitted on the 20th June last to the Commissioner for the Northern Circars, I did not under these circumstances consider it necessary to forward a separate reply to the communication from the Board but as this Circular is noticed in your letter No 2148 of the 1st Instant I think it as well to enclose a copy of my communication-

Rajahmundry District

Collectors Office

Rajahmundry 22d August 1856

/Signed/ A Purvis

Collector

Encl No 1

No 68

To

The Commissioner for the Northern Circars

Vizagapatam

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Extract from your Proceedings of the 8th February last forwarding Minutes of Consultation of the 01st of the previous Month requiring information in regard to the number of Peons employed in connection with Maramut Works previous to the transfer of the executive to the Engineer Department, which in this District as you aware is complete-

2 I regret to say that I find it quite impracticable to state with any hope of being near the

the truth the number of Talook peons employed before the change of System, on Maramut business - is That some were always so employed there cannot be a doubt though as the System, in regard to ordinary works appears to have been to hand Money over to the Village Officers and hold them responsible for the due execution of the work the employment of a Peon on each work of any magnitude, as was the practice in some Districts, was not necessary. During the years the Anicut was in progress, a large number of Peons must have been constantly employed in collecting coolies, some of these were probably supplied by the Engineer, and their pay charged to the work. Peons had also to be kept at Dowlaiswaram.

3 The number of Peons at present in each Talook is I have no hesitation in saying, barely sufficient for the satisfactory performance of the Police and Revenue duties therein. You are aware that it was till this year the practice to employ, during the early part of each year, a number of extra Peons, or Mahasoodars, as they were called. This practice has now been very properly put a stop to, but the work has borne heavily on the fixed Establishment. While therefore I am of opinion that the existing Establishment is not more than sufficient

sufficient to the performance of the duties which devolve on it, I am free to admit that being relieved of all Maramut work some reduction may be made and the Establishment be still as efficient or I fear I must say not more inefficient, than before. If the reduction is considered imperative I would suggest it should be in the Talooks and to the extent shown in the Margin. It must not in considering the subject be forgotten that when a work of any magnitude was in progress, temporary peons were employed, and their pay charged to the work, and that in the Delta Talooks before the construction of the anicut, and the gradual introduction of the System of channel irrigation, but little Maramut work was required. I cannot advise the reduction of the Establishment in any of the frontier Talooks.

Amlapoor	2
Rally	2
Cotaramachun	4
Druvpoor	
Benavole	3
Peddapoor	3
Capaveram	3
Rajahmundry	2
Mogultoor	4
Woondy	3
Tanooko	4
	30

at 4 Rs per month
120 Rs

4 With reference to the 4th para you justly describe it as a very important subject of the distribution of the water for irrigation I am of opinion that when the arrangements are more fully matured it will be desirable that the regulating the supply of water from all but the main channels should be entrusted to the Revenue and Village

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Village Officers but until the extent of land likely to be eventually irrigated is more accurately ascertained and masonry sluices constructed in the banks of the main channels I think the distribution of the water had better remain as at present with the Engineer Department.

Rajahmundry District,
Collectors Office, . .
Cocanada, 20th June, 1856

/Signed A. Purvis
Collector

/True Copy/
/Signed A Purvis
Collector

90-91
Order thereon

Ordered to lie over

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

92

Bd No 3358

From the Offg Agent to the Governor at Kurnool

Sir,

I have the honor to state that the Boards Proceedings dated 15th July 1856 No 2204 conveyed in the Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 3d July No 685 has been lost by the Translator and to request you will have the goodness to furnish me with another copy thereof in order that I may prepare an estimate of the probable charges to be incurred on account of Village accounts

Kurnool, Govt Agents Office 22d August 1856

/Signed/ J. G. Ruffell
Offciating Agent to the Governor

ordered

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Bd No 2840

Order thereon

92-93

Ordered that a spare Printed Copy of the Board's Circular of the 15th July 1856 and one of the Extracts Minutes consultation therein alluded to be forwarded to the Officiating agent in compliance with his request.

To
No 101
G. S. Forbes Esqr
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George

94

Bd No 3391

From the Collector of Cuddapah

Sir,

In reply to your Circular letter No 2067, forwarding Copy of Government Minutes Consultation dated 19th June 1856 No 628, I have the honor to state for the information of the Board, that only six instances of the importation of machinery of any Kind are recorded in the Sea Customs accounts of this District.

2 The machines imported were with the exception of a printing press, all for cleaning or preparing Cotton or Coffee, and two only seem to have been destined for Canara

3 Even the most common agricultural implements used here are imported and as far as the interests of the District are concerned the greater

greater the encouragement given to the introduction of Machinery the better.

4 Cotton screws are about to be introduced by one firm, and though they are not strictly speaking used for any of the purposes enumerated in para 3 of Mr Beaden's letter such Machinery should surely be exempted from duty, as tending directly to the preparation for export of a staple of the Country, and being of a character quite beyond the manufacturing powers of native artizans.

5 Whilst the introduction of Machinery must lead to great improvements, and both develop and economise the resources of the Country, and restrictions requiring definition are always more or less open to doubt and misconstruction, I must venture to express my opinion in favor of the free import of Machinary of all and every Kind, as sanctioned by the notification of Government dated 13th July 1855.

Coll.rs Cutcherry
Mangalore, 22d August 1856

/ Signed W. Fisher
Collector

94-95
Order thereon

Ordered to lie over
No 102.
G. S. Forbes Esqr
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George

To

96.
R. No 3365
From the Coll.r of Malabar

Sir

Under the Boards instructions dated

dated the 30th April 1855 No 1049, I have the honor to request their authority for selling by public auction the property specified in the accompanying advertisement with the view of realizing the balance of Revenue therein shewn the payment of which has been improperly withheld without any reasonable excuse for its non-payment.

2 The Balance has accrued on lands under the management of the defaulters who hold puttahs for the same.

The head of family enjoys a Mali Kanah allowance and had appointed as his Steward Mainco tha Nair one of his Anendiravennars (heirs) and elder brother to Padanetyedathil Nair the first named in the List empowering him to receive the allowance and distribute it as well as to manage his private estate only requiring him to make the annual payments. In consequence of some private disagreement the Steward was dismissed and the head of the family now receives the Mali Kanah and declines to pay the Riots of the other members of the family as had been the practice up to the date of the quarrel.

3 The other Members decline to make

make good the arrears and refer the Tahsildar to the head of the house.

4 As the lands on which the arrears have accrued are in the enjoyment of the parties named in the list, and as they are by the Pattahs held by them the recognized and constituted proprietors I conceive they are responsible for the Tax of such lands and must pay the same.

5 I have accordingly informed them they must make good the balance and that any claim they may have to participate in the Mali Kanah will be separately considered and the question decided on its merits but that it cannot be allowed to effect the payment of Government dues.

6- They decline acquiescence in this decision and are still in arrears which I see no other way of collecting than by the sale of the land of the defaulters for which I now solicit the sanction of the Board.

Malabar Collr Office
Calicut 22d August 1856 } [Signed] T. Clarke
Collector

Read advertisement.

Talooks	Villages	No of Defaulters	Extent	Assessment	Amount of arrears
Cottabrambad	"	7	"	68 14 "	665 11 4

B. No 2839

Proceedings thereon. (96-97)

Under the circumstances stated in the foregoing letter the Board of Revenue authorize the sale for arrears of Revenue of the lands alluded to, and direct the publication in their Office of the advertisement forwarded by the Collector, Saturday the 4th October next being fixed for the day of sale.

From

16003 Fort St George 2d September 1856

98

Bd No 3369

From the Collector of Malabar } Read letter submitting an Indent for Buff leather Belts required for the use of the Magisterial and District Police Peons and requesting authority for the issue of the same.

98-99

Order thereon.

Vide Remark 23d September 1856 over.

Ordered to lie

To.

16004. Fort St George 2d September 1856

No 127

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

100

Bd No 3332
From the Asst Collr of Tanjore } Sir.

I have the honor to submit herewith the Statement called for in the Board's circular under date the 10th July last, according to the form therein furnished.

Tanjore 23d August 1856 } /Signed/ J. W. Cherry
Acting Collector.

Bd No 2857
Proceedings thereon

Encl. No 1 Statement returned

100-101

The Board observe that the number of Capital Crimes entered in Column 13 of the above return is incorrect. If there be no cases ready for report and 86 be deducted from the total in Column 10 the number unexamined must be 1897 instead of 68. The Statement is returned for amendment.

No 82

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

102

Bd No 3354
From the Collr of Cuddapah } Sir.

With reference to the Circular letter from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue under date the 30th April last, No 1049 I have the honor to forward herewith an advertisement

No 1

16005 Fort St George 2d September 1856

No 1 received from the Sub Collector of Cuddapah for the sale of certain Pattah lands belonging to the Ryots of Doopaud Talook for arrears of Revenue for the Current Fusly and request that the Board will sanction the disposal of the same by public sale on the date specified in the advertisement.

Cuddapah Collectors Office 25th August 1856 } Signed } M. Murray Collector

Read Advertisement

Talook	Villages	No of Defaulters	Extent of Lands	Assessment	Amount of arrear
Doopaud	Bommeredy Pully Tungeralla Pully	7	63	10	5

Bd No 2834
Proceedings thereon.
102-103

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 the date of Sale being altered to Wednesday the 8th October next. Mr Murray will be pleased to make a corresponding correction in the advertisement published in the District.

2 It is observed that if no payments have been made in this Fusly. Column 9 should shew the full assessment of the Lands. The Collectors attention is called to the Board's Circular order dated 9th April 1856 No 1038 directing that the time of Sale be fixed six Weeks from the day on which the letter is despatched to this Office.

For

16006. Fort St George 2d September 1856.

No 168

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

104

Bd No 3325
From the Collector of North Arcot

Sir,

Para 1 In an Extract from their Proceedings dated the 23d October 1855 the Board of Revenue request to be informed of certain particulars in regard to a ruined tank in the Village of Nagalapooram in the Sutnaid Talook, which a ryot named Kistna reddy had applied for permission to repair at his own expense.

2. The tank in question has remained in its present state from time immemorial and no repairs appear ever to have been executed to it. The Anycut under it has therefore never been calculated. The Tahsildar however reports, that should the tank be repaired, about 88 Cawnies of Poonjah land, at present assessed at 105 Rupees, will be brought under Punjah Cultivation, which will increase the revenue to 310 Rupees the net increase being 205 Rupees. A portion of this Poonjah land

land has been cultivated every year, in the past fusly 1265 the extent cultivated was 19 Cawnies. The Petitioner Kistna reddy states that he made his application without a full knowledge of these particulars, that he is now anxious that the restoration of the tank should be undertaken by the Government, and that when this has been done he is prepared to bring under Punjah Cultivation about 54 to Cawnies of land. Other parties are prepared to cultivate the remaining 34 Cawnies

3 The Civil Engineer having been requested to give his opinion regarding the capabilities of the tank, and the probable cost of repairing it, has forwarded to me a letter dated the 2. July 1856, with copy of one from Captain Walker the executive Officer of this District, together with an Original Estimate amounting to Rupees 600-10-9 for repairing the tank.

4 I have the honor to forward Copies of the two letters above referred to with the original Estimate and to express my opinion

† To be returned

opinion that the restoration of the tank should be undertaken by the Government.

North Arcot
Collectors Cutchery
Chittoor 25th August 1856

(Signed) C. Whittingham
Collector

Enc 1
No 934

To C. Whittingham Esqre
Collector of
North Arcot

Sir,

With reference to your Communication noted in the margin, I have the honor to forward copy of letter No 66, dated the 28th ultimo, from Captain Walker, together with an Estimate for repairing the ruined Tank in the Village of Nagalapooram, and an agreement made by Kistna Reddy. Should you approve of the tank being restored, I should feel obliged by your returning the Estimate, with any remarks you may have

No 362 dated 25th October 1856 & No 88 dated 27th February 1856

to

Fort St. George 2d September 1856

to offer, for entry in my list of Estimate to be submitted to the Central Office on the 10th of next month.-

North Arcot
District Engrs Office
Camp Arcot 2d July 1856

(Signed) C.C. Johnston Capt
District Engineer

(True Copy)
(Signed) C. Whittingham
Collector

Encl No 2
To Captain C.C. Johnston
District Civil Engineer
Sir.

With reference to the Copies of correspondence as per margin for forwarded with your letter No 565 dated 7th April 1856- I have the honor to inform you that I proceeded to Nagalapooram and inspected the ruined Tank alluded to in the Petition from Kistnah Reddy and beg to forward the report on it called for by the Collector of North Arcot, for the information of the Board of Revenue as requested

No 362 From the Sub Collr in Charge of North Arcot to Civil Engineer 4th Division
No 88. From Collr of North Arcot to Civil Engineer 4th Division

2 It appears that Kistna Reddy the

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the Petitioner has a grant of land situated immediately under this Tank amounting to 54 7/16 Cawnies the yearly Revenue to Government from which is rated at Rupees 72-2-7 and portioned out as per Statement in the margin but of which at present only 18 11/16 Cawnies are under Poonjah cultivation yielding a Revenue of Rupees 31-4-9 only.

+ Present Poonjah Cultivation

26 7/16 Cawnies	1st Class at Rs	1-12-0 per annum	47-3-10
28 3/32 Do	2d Do	14 Do	24-14-9
54 7/16 Cawnies	Total 6	Rs	72-2-7

3 Kistnah Reddy states that he is unable to cultivate more ground at present in consequence of a Scarcity of water, but that were the Tank put in thorough repair he would be in a position to cultivate the whole 54 7/16 Cawnies in Poonjah Crops which he calculates would then yield a yearly Revenue to Government of Rupees 261-15-8 shewing an increase of Revenue over, as the present of Rupees 189-13-1 as per Statement in the margin-

* Proposed Poonjah Cultivation

26 7/16 Cawnies	1st Classed Rs	5-4-0 per annum	138-12-9
28 5/32 Do	2d Do	4-6-0 Do	123-2-11
54 7/16 Cawnies	Total future Revenue Rupees		261-15-8
	Deduct present Revenue		72-2-7
	Total increase of Revenue C. Rupees		189-13-1

The

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4 The proportions of the Tank even when put in repair would not be sufficiently large to irrigate the whole of the proposed Nunjah crops of the ordinary kind but the description of grain cultivated in this part of the Country called in Tamill Vaudasumba does not require water for the first 40 or 50 days after it is sown, and after that period only once a week to a depth of about 3 inches It is sooner about the middle of august and takes about 5 months before it is ready to be cut, and as the greatest part of this period especially the latter when water is most required, is during the rainy season that is every probability of the supply in the Tank proving sufficient.

5 The Tank is situated at about a mile from the base of a long range of Hills and is solely dependent on the rain for its supply of water, which is brought from the Hills by channels cut by the Ryots themselves.

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6 I beg herewith to forward Estimates amounting the Companys Rupees 600-10-9 for a Calingalah and Sluice which are required and also for the repairs of the Tank bank itself which though only a third class one in size, is of very considerable height and thickness many places, and very strong being covered with thick close brush wood, and the interior shape firmly revetted with iron stone large quantities of which are scattered over the bed of the Tank.

7 As a precautionary measure I have obtained an agreement from Kishnah reddy hereunto forwarded by which he binds himself to cultivate the whole extent of the land Viz. 54 9/16 Cawnies in Nunjah, as previously stated in the event of the Government putting the Tank into thorough repair.)

8 The Statements of present and probable increase of Revenue obtained from the Tehsildar of the Sutanadee Talook at Nagalapooram.

District Engineers Office
Camp Arcot
1st July 1856

(Signed) C. Walker Captain
Executive Officer of N. Arcot

(A true Copy)
(Signed) C. C. Johnston Captain
District Engineer
of North Arcot

(True Copy)
(Signed) C. Whittingham
Collector

16013.

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Estimate of Expense of Repairing the undermentioned No. 3 work in the District of North Arcot.

Nature & Name of Work	Raising: Length	Raising: Breadth	Raising: Height	Raising: Total	Widening: Length	Widening: Breadth	Widening: Height	Widening: Total	Total Cu. Yards Earth Work	Old Stone	New Stone
40	3	1	120	40							
28	2	12	8	38 8	28	8	1	8	21		
12											
20	1	14	4	9 6	28						
20	1	3	2	2 15/20							
24											
24											
204											
12	1	6	4	4 3 12							
28	1	12	8	24 8 28							
8	3	4	1	8 39							
8	1	12	8	7	8		12	1 8 9			
4	3	1		12	4						
60	1	12	8	43 12 60							
24	Yards New Calingalah										
24											

Old Thannadar
Nagalapooram Examined Jan 3d 57

12 Yards Calingalah
36 4 5 720
41 2 6 5 672½
52 3 5 780
24 4 6 3 324
28 3 3 252
2538½
38 6 9 3 1039.6

Camp Nagalapooram
28th June 1856

From North end	120		
	59	3	
New Calingalah			
	9/2	15/2	
24 yards Sluice required			
Good		3	
	4	8	
	24		
	39		
	16		
	12		
South end	43	12	
	381	4	
Total cubic yards	9	4	8
3 Cut Stones			
Foundation			
Sundries			
Foundation to Body			
Do to Retaining Wall			
Do to Wing			
Wings above			
Brickwork in Chunam	258½		
Cc Yds of Rough Stone Work	38½		
13 Dam Stone			
Foundation			
Sundries			
Total of Estimate			

Rate			Amount of each Article	Work	Total
	1	Cc Yd	20-11-3	20-11-3	
	2 8		236 4		
	2	Each	6 - -		
			15 - -		
5		Pr Cent	12 13 9		
				270-1-7	
	1 6	Cc Ft	242 10 9		
	6	Pr	14 7 -		
	2	Each	24 - -		
			12 - - -		
5		Pr Cent	14-12 -		
			309-12-9	600-10-9	

(Sig) C. Walker Capt
Executive Officer
of N. Arcot

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B. No. 2864
Proceedings thereon
(104-105)

Ordered that the original Estimate which accompanies the foregoing letter be returned to the Collector of North Arcot.

The restoration of the Tank by Government appears from the data furnished by Lieut. Walker to be desirable, as the outlay will probably be repaid in the 4th year; this however is a question to be determined by the Civil Engineer in Consultation with the Collector and does not call for the instructions of the Board.-

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No. 167

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

B. No. 3324
From the Collector of North Arcot

Para 1

Sir,

I have the honor to state that agreeably to the instructions contained in an Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 9th May 1856 No. 1355, the Tahsildar of Vellore Talook was directed to put up to sale on the 12th June last the lands of five Villages of the said Talook attached for arrears of Revenue, but the Tahsildar not only omitted to do so, but seems to have been unaware of the receipt of the order, for he subsequently applied for instructions on the

+ Veerapamhapooram
Ambour
Coapum
Abdoollapooram
Yadienjuth

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the subject of the sale, as if no order had been sent him.-

2 This omission, attributed to press of business by the Tahsildar, having been brought to the notice of Mr. Sullivan the Sub Collector, while he was making the Summahbundy settlement in the Vellore Talook, he gave orders for the immediate sale of the lands; the sale accordingly took place on the 28th June and 2d July.

3 The defaulters in the three Villages named in the margin, paid up their arrears before the sale the result of the sale of the lands of the attached in the other 2 Villages is shewn below.

+ Coapum
Abdoollapooram
Yadrienjah

* Veerapatchepooram
Ambour

No.

16016.

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No. of Defaulters	Arrears due for fusly 1264	Extent of Land put to sale		Names of individuals who purchased the Land	Amount Sold	Overplus to be restored to the late defaulters
	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p		Rs a p	Rs a p
				1 Veerabadra Setty		
				1 Jayaram Setty		
25	76 92	25 78	141 7 41	1 Ponnapah Naid	80 9 -	3 1570
				1 Toodundy pillay		
				1 Cundasawmy gaudoo		
				1 Somalinga Cherry		
				1 Jayara Setty		
				1 Veerabadra Setty		
				1 Jayaram Setty		
				1 Toodundy pillay		
				1 Jayaram Setty		
				1 Veerabadra Setty		
				1 Fakeer Saib		

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16017

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Sheet before referred to in the

Letter from Collector of North Arcot

dated 20th August 1858

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

3 In the manner of the Sales

Specified in Columns 5 and 6 for

receiving the overplus Amount

mentioned in Column 7 to the Late

Defaulters.

4 Some delay has occurred

in making the necessary references

to the Tahsildar to ascertain

if the Claimants of the Sale which was not

forthcoming of the Sale which was not

in the first instance furnished.

North Arcot.

Collectorate Cutchery

Chittoor 20th August 1858

Signed G. Whittingham

Collector

Certified

A.R.

1818

(106-107)

B.t P. 2836

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Proceedings thereon

The Board of Revenue

confirm the sale of the lands

alluded to in the foregoing letter,

and authorize the Collector

after carrying to the credit

of Government the amount

of arrears against the late

Proprietors, to disburse to them

respectively the remaining

sale proceeds.

J. G. B.

To

1819

Fort St. George, 2d September 1856.

No. 177.

To

G. S. Forbes Esqr.

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue.

Fort St. George.

(108)

B. No. 3372.

From the Collector of South Arcot.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge your letter of the 15th Instant No. 2574 conveying the orders of the Board of Revenue for me to provide for 10 native Servants displaced from the Board's Office, upon vacancies occurring in this District.

I beg very respectfully to represent that it will be a serious hardship for the servants already employed in this District to find the highest situations bespoken by so many strangers, and it will also be prejudicial to the Public Service that they should be thus excluded from promotion for the time it will take to absorb the parties named in the list annexed to your letter.

If it became generally known, (as it undoubtedly will) that there were servants not at present in the District, who were to be appointed to the Sub or Naib Sheristadarship

of,

Fort St. George, 2d. September 1856.

or to any of the Tahsildarships which become vacant, it would naturally damp the ardour and energy of those of the public officers here who have rendered themselves eligible for such posts, and thus do much harm.

I trust therefore that the Board of Revenue will be pleased to modify their instructions so as to leave it to my discretion either to place any of the people referred to in situations in this District when vacancies occur or not as I may deem best.

South Arcot Collector's
Circuit Cutcherry Palliem
Cottah 25th August 1856 } /Signed/ A. Hall
Collector.

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.

To,
The Collector of
South Arcot

(108-109)
Bd. No. 2837.
To the Collector of South Arcot — Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 25th August 1856, regarding the employment of servants about to be reduced on this Establishment. I am directed to explain to you that

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that letters of similar purport to that addressed to you were circulated to several other Districts. It is not expected that more than one or two of these Officers should be provided for in any one District.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George,
2d. September 1856. } /Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary.

No. 297.

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

(110)
Bd. No. 2333.
From the Collr. of Chingleput ... } Sir,

With reference to Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue under date 13th June last, and my reply thereto of the 24th Idem, I have the honor to forward for their information copy of a letter received from the Collector of Rajahmundry intimating that the Vessel therein adverted to is ready for sailing to Chittagong.

Chingleput,
Collector's Cutcherry,
Sydapet 26th August 1856. } /Signed/ C. I. Shubrick
Collector

16622

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Encl No. 1.

No. 604

To, C. Stubrick Esqre

Collector of Chingleput

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 31st. Ultimo, I have the honor to inform you that the owner of the vessel has applied to be permitted to reship the salt, the vessel being now ready for departure. The accounts for the delay which has taken place by the extent of the repairs necessary. I have the honor to enclose copy of a Statement made by him before the Sea Custom Durogah Coringa for your information.

Rajahmundry District.....
Collector's Office, ------
Dowlaiswaram 15th. August 1858.

(Signed) A. Purvis
Collector

(True Copy)
(Signed) C. Stubrick
Collector

110-111 Order thereon.

Ordered to be recorded

To

16623

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No. 136.

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

112

Bd. No. 3368.

From the Collector of Trichinopoly.

Sir,

I do myself the honor to transmit the prescribed Advertisement for the sale of certain lands of this District the property of Ryots in the Talook of Lalgoody who have failed to satisfy the demand for arrears of Revenue due on account of Fusly 1265, And I solicit your Board's sanction for the sale taking place.

2. The arrear for the Fusly amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 940-6-9 is justly due by these proprietors, who have shewn no intention or inclination to make good the Government demand, notwithstanding the service upon them of the legal notice. I have therefore no other alterative than to let the Law take its Course.

Trichinopoly.....
Collector's Office
28th. August 1858.

(Signed) I. Bird
Collector.

Advertisement

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Bd. No. 2831.

Number	No. of Taluk	Advertisement No. of Village	No. of Defaulters	Extent of Land	Assessment	Amount of Assessment
1	1	8	26	42 4 5	251 11 8	251 11 8

Proceedings thereon.- Under the circumstances stated 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 Monday the 6th. October next being fixed for the day of sale.

(112-113)

No. 299.

To, G. S. Forbes Esqre.
Secretary to the Board of Revd.

(114)

Bd. No. 3338.

From the Collector of Chingleput -

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for publication in the Board's Office the accompanying advertisement for the sale of lands attached for arrears of Revenue for Fusly 1266 in the Chingleput Taluk amounting,

	Rs.	a	p.
Rahemaukhan and Ofsmaukhan.....	47	5	7.

in the aggregate to Company's Rupees 47 5 7

The names of the Defaulters and the Balances outstanding against them are noted in the margin.-

Chingleput District,
Collector's Cutcherry,
Sydapet 27th. August 1856.

/ Signed / C. I. Shubrick
Collector.

16025.

Fort St. George, 2d. September 1856.

Bd. No. 2829.

Proceedings thereon.- 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 15th. October next being fixed for the day of sale.

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2. It is observed that the Collector should have explained why Column 9 has been left blank in several cases.-

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No. 173

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

(116)

Bd. No. 3352.

From the Coll. of North arcot

Sir,

I have the honor with reference to Extract Proceedings of the Board of Revenue No. 2423 dated 31 11th. Ultimo to state that in accordance with the instructions therein contained, I called upon

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upon Gopaula charry the Tahsildar of Trivattoor, to resign immediately on the receipt of my takeed which was dated the 4th. Instant. Having waited till the 14th. Instant without receiving any reply from Gopaula charry, I requested Mr. Sullivan to supersede him by an efficient successor which has accordingly been done.-

North Arcot, ...
Collector's Cutcherry
Chittoor 27th. August
1856.-

/ Signed / C. Whittinghame
Collector

116-117.

Order thereon, Ordered to be recorded.-

Fort St. George, 2d. September 1856.

No. 176.

To

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

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B. No. 3396.
From the Collector of North Arcot. } Para 1

Sir,

I have the honor with reference to your letter of the 21st. November 1855 No. 3089 regarding the preparation of Returns of the prices of Grain in this District to submit Copy of a report, drawn up by the Acting Additional Sub Collector, Mr. Banbury, to whom I had referred the papers on the subject received from the several Talooks. These were not all received till last Month.

2. I regret that so long a period should have elapsed from the date on which the report was written, but I was unwilling that it should be submitted without examination — and my time, and that of my Sheristadar's Cutcherry has lately been so entirely engrossed by the Jummabundy Settlement and the steps necessary to be taken for Collecting the heavy balances that it has

has been found impossible to pay an earlier attention to the subject.

3. There seems nothing to be added to Mr. Banbury's report.

North Arcot,.....
Collector's Cutcherry,
Chittoor 29th. August 1856.

(Signed) C. Whittingham
Collector

Encl: No. 1.

To, C. Whittingham Esqre
Collector of North Arcot

Sir,

Para 1 Agreeably to the request contained in your letter of the 12th. Ultimo, I have the honor to submit some remarks regarding the preparation of returns of the prices of grain in this District I trust that my recent acquaintance with North Arcot, and the little time, I have had for considering the present subject a very important one will be considered sufficient causes for any want of information, or suggestions that may be found in the observation I am about to offer.

2. The price lists transmitted monthly to the Board from this District shew the average selling prices

prices per garce of 3,200 measures of the staple produce of the District in the four Chief Towns of this Collectorate. Viz. Chittoor Vellore, Wallajahbad, and Arcot, the resident merchants monthly give in a return of the prices prevailing in these towns during each day of the month and the several Cutwals daily note down the same particulars at the end of the month should any descrepancies be found to exist between these two accounts, enquiry is immediately made, and the difference rectified. the accounts are then averaged and forwarded to the Hoozoor where the average of the prices prevailing at the four abovementioned towns is struck, a separate return made out and forwarded to the Board of Revenue.

3. In the 14 Cusbah stations of the district price returns are similarly prepared and monthly transmitted to the Hoozoor, these are averaged and with the Tanabundy report a Statement of the average price prevailing during the year prepared from the above date is submitted to the Board.

4. From the year 1838 to the year 1848 the price returns were prepared on the basis of a measure

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measure containing Rupees 150 in weight taking horse gram as the standard of the contents of the measure. In the latter year Mr. Bourdillon then Collector of the District proposed that the official price currents should be framed on the standard of a measure the contents of which would weigh in horse gram 120 Rupees this was urged on the grounds that a measure of like capacity was used by Mr. Groeme in fixing the commutation prices of the District, and that a similar one was prescribed as a standard in the Board's Circular order dated 19th August 1841. Mr. Bourdillon's proposal was acceded to by the Board in their proceedings dated 9th May 1853, and confirmed by the Government in Minutes of Consultation dated 11th August of the same year.

5. It will be seen therefore that the monthly returns forwarded to the Board do not shew the prices prevailing over the District at large, but merely those ruling at the four principal commercial towns in the Province. They also only shew the selling Bazar rates of the articles for the period in question, giving no information regarding

J. F. B.

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regarding wholesale transactions, or the prices at which the Merchants buy from the producer.-

Chittoor
Chendragherry
Wallajahbad
Sholinghur
Tridellum
Sautghur
Palamanair
Arcot, or Ranepet
Vellore
Tirvettoor
Palcor
Wundawash
Suttimaid,
Tencatagherry
Cattah

6. In order to obtain a fair criterion of the prices prevailing over the entire District, the average of each of the 14 Cusbah, stations marginally named, might be monthly submitted to the Board, after being prepared at the Hoozoor where the requisite data are furnished as above shewn; strict orders being at the same time issued to the local authorities to see that the entries made really bona fide ones. and not merely approximates. It does not appear necessary to send for and compare the local measures with the standard in the Office, as this has already been done, and a Statement of the result was submitted to the Board, by Mr Brett with his letter of the 21st July 1852.

7. It appears to me that the most feasible manner of procuring accurate returns would be the establishment of

public

public market, and then on the appointed days the wholesale, and retail selling prices would be easily obtainable without any unnecessary or vexatious interference on the part of the Government servants. At present the wholesale prices actually prevailing are by no means easily obtained, or reliable when furnished, as the merchants dealings with the Ryots are chiefly of the nature of private transactions, and very frequently an arrangement has been made between the buyer and producer before the crop is cut. The establishment of weekly markets would doubtless be attended with many difficulties, and obstructions, Natives naturally look with suspicion, and distrust upon any new schemes, and it is not unlikely that the wholesale purchasers would prefer their present quiet and private method of conducting their transactions, to the more public and open plan now advocated.

8 Should however these difficulties and obstructions be finally got rid of, and the proposed measure carried into effect, it would certainly be highly beneficial, and most probably very agreeable to the people generally.

The Ryots, would know exactly at what price they should part with their produce, the retail buyers would be similarly made acquainted with the wholesale prices and the producers being fully assured that a ready market was obtainable for their grain at a fair price would come freely forward, and thus greatly diminish the present system of hoarding so selfishly, and frequently resorted to by the native merchants. It would be necessary to frame some rules, and regulations of a municipal character, for the management of markets thus instituted and I presume a legislative enactment would be essential to enable the local authorities to carry these arrangements into effect, and punish those persons who failed to conform thereto. It is true that small weekly markets called in tamil "Santhay" are held in many towns; but the commodities brought for sale consist rather of articles of husbandry, wearing apparel, and for domestic use than of grain, and I do not suppose that wholesale transactions between

merchants

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3 The Palmyra also is not abundant, and is neither used by, nor included in the bases of the Abkarry Renter.

4 The only Palmyra tope of any extent in the District is at the Village of Oopillaiyaram in Torriore, and this is included on the general rent of topes along the foot of the Putcheemallay hills.

5 Whatever toddy may be drawn here is from the Cocoanut tree, and that with the consent of a Proprietor who leases out his trees at option to the toddy drawers under the Renter so that no trespass upon land can occur, or any inconvenience to the Ryot other than that of his own creation.

6 The Abkarry Farm rents here, in Trichinopoly do not include the right to draw liquor from any tree whatever. This is left to the Ryot to permit or not as most conducive to his own interests and wishes. At the same time it is not competent to the Ryot to draw toddy from his own tree without the license of the Renter of Abkarry.

7 Adverting to the question of Ryots

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Ryots right to all trees of whatever description standing on waste land taken up by him, I am of opinion his proprietorship is undoubted the instant the land is assigned to him. He takes the land and all it contains on the understanding with the Government that the land tax is duly rendered. It is for the Government and its Revenue Officers to be careful how they make over land containing taxed paying trees. But having done so, I conceive the transfer is valid and the rightfully made over to the Ryot, depending always on the prompt paying of the land tax.

8 No special rules appear to me to be necessary as far as this District is concerned.

Trichinopoly Collector's Office 27th August 1856

(Signed) J. Bird Collector

Ordered to lie over. To

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merchants and Ryots with regard to produce takes place on these occasions.

9 With regard to the concluding para No. 6 of the minutes of Consultation it would I fear be a task of great difficulty to obtain any thing like reliable information concerning the sales negociated at each price. In London where large auction sales of various kinds of merchandize &c. take place at the Docks and other public places, this information can be readily procured with accuracy, but in the present state of affairs in this country especially in Mofussil towns I do not see how it is to be managed so without objectionable interference on the part of those employed to ascertain these particulars.

10 Annexed is a list of those grains the prices of which exercise an influence on the prosperity of the people, and the percentage of the cultivation occupied by each kind throughout the entire District for fusly 1264 is also shewn

Paddy 11½ per Cent of the whole cultivated area
Cumboo 5½ --- do --- do
Raggy 23½ --- do --- do
Cholum 4½ --- do --- do
Horse Gram 5½ --- do --- do
Varagoo 4½ --- do --- do

shown agreeably to para 6 of the Board's

†Herewith returned Proceedings.

North Arcot Addl Sub Collectors Cutcherry
Chittoor 14th July 1856

(Signed) Geo: Bambury
Ag Addl Sub Collr

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Order thereon.

True Copy
(Signed) C. Whittinghame
Collector

Ordered to lie over
No 139.

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

(120.)
Ba No 3403
From the Collector of Trichinopoly

Sir

Para 1 As directed by the Board's Circular No 2505 with Extract from Proceedings dated the 14th Instant I do myself the Honor to submit the information required by the Government in respect of the practice prevailing in this District with reference to the inclusion or otherwise of the Date and Palmyra trees in the Abkarry Farms.

2 The Date as a tree is rare in this Province, and where it is found it is more of a brush wood shrub, and therefore is useless to the Abkarry Renter for the extraction of liquor. The

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

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Bd. №. 3399
From the Collector
of North Arcot

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 16th Instant, I have the honor to submit two Statements, showing the amount of Expenditure &c. of the Lungerkhanahs at Arcot and Vellore for Fusly 1265 or from 1st. May 1855 to 30th April 1856 as therein requested.

North Arcot
Collectors Cutchery
Chittoor 30th August 1856

(Signed) C. Whittingham
Collector

122-123 Order thereon.
J. B.

Ordered to be recorded.
Resolved

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Resolved that the following letters be despatched.

Bd. №. 3846
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Estimates of Extra charges proposed to be incurred in Fusly 1266 in the undermentioned districts Submitted for the orders of Government.

№	Districts	Estimated charges for Fusly 1265	Estimated charges for Fusly 1266	Increased	Decrease	Remarks of the Board of Revenue	Orders of Government
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1856							
227	19th June Sup. 2d Sept.	Rajahmundry	" " "	350 " "	350 " "	" " "	" "
227	18th June Sup. 26th Nov. 59	Chingleput	1102 8 "	962 8 "	" " "	140 " "	" "
230	420 20th June Sup. 26th Sept.	Madras	For the Establishment of Elephants	301 10 "	305 " "	" "	3 11 "	" "
2681	5 July up. 2d Sept.	Guntoor	For purchasing Palmyra Jaggery &c.	29738 " "	26322 " "	3384 " "	" "	" "
2788	11 July Sup. 2d Sept.	Canara	15105 " "	13701 " "	" "	" "	1401 " "	
2812	12 July Sup. 2d Sept.	Orissa	Maintenance of Elephants & children &c.	2500 " "	2300 " "	" "	" "	200 " "
		Agency	Extra charges	75 13 "	64 4 "	" "	" "	11 9 "
2822	2 July Sup. 2d Sept.	Vizagapatam		1150 " "	1150 " "	" "	" "	" "
2849	27 June Sup. 2d Sept.	Malabar		72 5 4	112 " "	39 10 8	" "	" "
2860	30 June Sup. 2d Sept.	South Arcot		10 " "	133 2 "	123 3 "	" "	" "
2523	5 July Sup. 2d Sept.	Nellore		170 11 7	137 10 "	" " "	" "	33 1 7
2570	2 July Sup. 2d Sept.	Ganjam		1605 8 "	1526 " "	" " "	" "	79 8 "
2690	10 July Sup. 2d Sept.	Tanjore		411 7 "	2020 8 4	1608 15 4	" "	" "
2808	1 July Sup. 2d Sept.	Salem		122 10 "	455 15 "	333 5 "	" "	" "
2878	21 July Sup. 2d Sept.	Coimbatore	For feeding Elephants &c.	2067 8 7	1873 " "	" " "	" "	194 8 "
3102	2 Aug. Sup. 2d Sept.		For Furniture &c.	" " "	100 " "	100 " "	" "	" "
3137	9 Aug. Sup. 2d Sept.	Tinnevelly		502 4 9	439 5 4	" " "	" "	62 15 5
3112	7 Aug. Sup. 2d Sept.	Bellary		361 " "	155 12 8	" " "	" "	205 3 4
			Total Rupees	50093 5 9	54097 " 4	6331 7 0	" "	2327 13 4

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(Signed) G. S. Forbes
Secretary
№ 1

No. 1.

Rajahmundry Rs. 136.

The Board have passed on this occasion the charges for supplying articles for the printing Office, but the Collector will be informed that it is expected when the Press is fairly established that the receipts will cover all its expenses.

Chingleput Rs. 120

The charge for House Rent for the Circuit Cutcherry will be separately disposed of when the decision of Government as to its future location is Communicated to the Board. Meanwhile the amount is excluded from the Estimate.

Nellore Items Nos. 9 & 31 Rs. 29 each.

It is observed that the estimated price of two Carpets required for the Mo[illegible] Salt Department is very high and the Collector will be requested to explain the necessity for these articles.

Ganjam Rs. 20

The travelling allowance of the Head Goumastah of the Salt Department should not have been entered in the Estimate, but should be included in the Statement of Batta paid to other Servants. The Collector will also be pleased to explain the nature of the "Extra Charges" of this Office.

† Rs. 5

The charges for remitting Treasure have also been excluded as the amount will be passed by the Civil Auditor.

Ganjam Rs. 71
Tanjore 276. 11-4

The charges for Salt Morals in the districts of Ganjam and Tanjore, have been omitted.

as weighments will soon be introduced instead of measurements. Any repairs that may be required to the morals already in use should be executed and charged for in Contingent Bills. The price of 200 lbs of Thread required for Ordgain accounts should be charged to the Sodeward allowance. The amount has therefore been omitted.

Tanjore Rs. 12½

The Collector will be requested to furnish explanation as to the necessity for the charge for preparing ammunitions as it is only recently that 1000 Cartridges and 50 lbs of Powder have been supplied for frightening Wild Beasts.

Coimbatore Rs. 60

Canara Rs. 80.

The Collector will be requested to explain the necessity for the charge for the destruction of papers to the 5a books, Meanwhile the charge has not been passed.

Deducting the sums above noticed the Board recommend under the explanations afforded by the Collector in the accompanying Estimates, that Sanction be granted for the proposed disbursements, amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 51,097 0 4. Fifty four thousand and ninety seven and pice four.

The Board observe that the Estimated and not the actual charges on account of Establishments should have been entered in the Statements from Malabar, South Arcot & Bellary and the Nilgiri agency. The necessary alterations have

have been made in this Office, and the Collectors attention will be called to the Board's Circular order dated 7th May, 1836 para 2 No. 1138 It is also observed that several items estimated for in Fusly 1765 in the districts of Nellore, Tanjore, Salem and Tinnevelly are not exhibited in the Estimates for Fusly 1766 These omissions have been entered from Statements in this Office, and the Collectors will be requested to see that the whole amount estimated for in the previous fusly is exhibited in comparison with that for which the Statements is prepared.

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B/d No. 2813.

To The Chief Engineer

To,

The Chief Engineer.

Sir,

Mr. George Gomperty Examiner on the Board's Establishment, who is an applicant for pension having stated that he was employed in the Office of the late Inspector General of civil Estimates and subsequently in the Department of Public Works in the situations noted in the margin, prior to his entertainment in the Board's Office on the 1st May 1848, I am directed to request that you will verify the service of that individual in those Departments and furnish me with a certificate of the same for submission to Government with his application.

As Temporary Examiner in the Department of Inspector General of civil Estimates and subsequently in the Department of Public Works from 9th August 1836 to 1st January 1840 as Permanent Examiner from 1st January 1840 to 1st May 1848 — 8-4-0

Total — 11-8-25

Y-M-D 3-4-25

Revenue Board Office, Fort St. George, 2d September 1836.

/ Signed / G.d. Forbes

Secretary

To

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B/d No. 2814

To The Adjutant Genl. of the Army

To

The Adjutant General of the Army

Sir

Mr. George Gomperty Examiner on the Board's Establishment who is an applicant for pension having stated that he served in the H.C. Artillery under the feigned name of George Gregory for the period noted in the margin, I am directed to request that you will be so good as to verify the portion of the service of that individual and furnish me with a certificate of the same for submission to Government with his application.

In the Artillery from 13th October 1814 to 9th August 1835 — Y. 20 M. 9 D. 27

Revenue Board Office, Fort St. George, 2d September 1836.

/ Signed / G.d. Forbes

Secretary

3367

From the Secretary to Government dated 28th August 1830

126

Read Ecshack communicating the orders of Government on letters from the Chief Engineer with respect to the expenditure for works in certain Districts which were not included in the Budget of 1830/31.

126-127

Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded.

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From the Collector of Coimbatore 7th August 1836

128

Read letter forward Copy of letter from the Joint Magistrates of Ootacamund No. 106 with an Indent for Stationery

128-129

Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded

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3111
130 From the Acting Collector of Ganjam. Read Statement of Extra Tentage drawn by the Collector and his Subordinates in the month of July 1836.

130-131 Order thereon Ordered to be transferred to the Civil Auditor.

132 2771 From the Collector of Chingleput. Read the undermentioned Statements Estimates of Extra charges proposed to be incurred in Fusly 1266.

133 2127 From the Collector of Vizagapatam. Statement of Extra charges proposed to be disbursed in the Salt Department in Fusly 1266.

134 2469 From the Collector of Malabar. Estimate of Extra charges proposed to be incurred in Fusly 1266.

135 2480 From the Collector of South Arcot. Estimate of Extra charges proposed to be incurred in Fusly 1266.

136 2808 From the Collector of Salem. Statement of Extra charges proposed to be incurred in fusly 1266.

137 2570 From the Collector of Ganjam. Estimate of Extra charges proposed to be incurred in fusly 1266.

138 2523 From the Collector of Nellore. Estimate of Extra charges proposed to be incurred in fusly 1266.

139 2654 From the Acting Collector of Guntoor. Forwarding an Estimate of Extra charges proposed to be incurred in fusly 1266.

140 2690 From the Acting Collector of Tanjore. Estimate of Extra charges proposed to be incurred in fusly 1266.

From—

2812
141 From the Officiating Agent Wellington Tracts of Orissa Forwarding for Sanction two Estimates of charges proposed to be incurred for fusly 1266.

142 2781 From the Collector of Canara. Estimate of Extra charges proposed to be incurred in the Revenue Department in fusly 1266.

143 2875 From the Collector of Coimbatore. Estimate of charges proposed to be incurred in fusly 1266.

144 3102 From the Collector of Coimbatore. Forwards for Sanction an Estimate amounting to Rs. 180 for preparing Tables &c. for the use of the writers Office.

145 3112 From the Collector of Bellary. Estimate of Extra charges proposed to be incurred for fusly 1266.

146 3137 From the Collector of Tinnevelly. Estimate of Extra charges proposed to be incurred for fusly 1266.

132-147 Order on the 15 above mentioned Statements Ordered to be Submitted for the Sanction of Government.

148 In No. 3183 From the Collector of Coimbatore. Read Indent on the Superintendent of Stationery for Stationery &c. required for the Office of the Joint Magistrates Official Establishment for the year 1837.

148-149 Order thereon Ordered that the Original Indent be passed and forwarded to the Secretary to the Military Board.

Received the undermentioned Board's Bureau's letter

150 No. 2035 and Statements.

From the Collector of Cuddapah. Return of fines imposed and Stoppages made from the Pay of Public Servants during the quarter ending 30th June 1836.

From.

151
Mf No. 2030
From the Collector of Salem. Return of Public Servants suspended or dismissed from employment during the 1st Quarter of 1856

152
Mf No. 2032
From the Collector of Salem. Reporting the non submission of certain Returns from 1st Quarter of 1856.

153
Mf No. 2031
From the Collector of Salem. Return of Public Servants suspended or dismissed during the 2d Quarter ending 1856.

154
Mf No. 2036
From the Collector of Cuddapah. Informing that no cases have occurred for entry in the Returns with mentioned for the Quarter ending 30th June 1856.

155
Mf No. 2037
From the Collector of Guntoor. Pain Report for July 1856.

156
Mf No. 2034
From the Collector of Coimbatore. Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of Revenue for July 1856.

157
Mf No. 2033.
From the Collector of Coimbatore Comparative Statement Shewing the Collection in Fusles 1265 and 1266 upto 31st July 1856.

158
Mf No. 2028
From the Collector of Salem. Stating that no Persons were charged with Offences under Regulations IX of 1822 and VI of 1831.

159
Mf No. 2029.
From the Acting Collector of Masulipatam. Statement Shewing the quantity of Salt in Store available for exportation to Calcutta at each of the Ports of Export on 18th August 1856.

160
Mf No. 2027
From the Collector of South Arcot. Statement Shewing the quantity of Salt in Store available for exportation to Calcutta at each of the Ports of Export on the 31st July last.

161.
Mf No. 2026
From the Collector of South Arcot. Account current of Salt for July 1856.

Proceedings

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Wednesday 3rd September 1856.

Read the following Papers.

162
Bd No. 3320
From the Secretary to Government. } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Public Works Department under date the 25th August 1856.

Communicating instructions to the Board for the exclusion of books of an objectionable character from the Libraries of Travellers Bungalow and for otherwise preserving the Libraries in good order. } See No. 1511 in separate Volume. P. 118

Ordered that the following Circular be sent.

162-163.
Bd No. 2862
Circular to all Collectors except Madras and Sea Customs. } Circular

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to forward for your information Copy of Extract Minutes Consultation dated 25th August 1856 in which the Government desire that means may be taken to prevent the introduction of books of an objectionable character among the collection of works which are provided for the use of Travellers at the public Bungalows and to preserve them from being

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in any way defaced. In order to carry out these instructions, you will direct the persons in charge of public Bungalows to examine the books which have been in use by every Travellers, and to forward to you for inspection any that have been thus mis-used, reporting at the same time the name of the offending party. In the case of books left by Travellers, you will follow the course pointed out in the Minutes Consultation.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St George
3 - September 1856. - -

(Signed) G. S. Forbes
Secretary

Bs No 3337.
From the Secretary to Government -
164

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

Requesting the Board to send up immediately all the Estimates of Extra charges and of Establishments for Fusly 1266 that are ready and to state when the rest will be submitted.

(See No 903 in Separate Volume P. 119)

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply. -

To

To The Secretary to
Government
Revenue Department

Sir

165
Bs 2871.
To The Secretary to Government - -

With reference to Extract Minutes Consultation dated 27th August 1856 No 903. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to acquaint you for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that the Estimates of extra charges for Fusly 1266 from 16 districts were yesterday submitted for the sanction of Government, the Estimates from the other districts will be forwarded as soon as they are received.

2. The whole of the estimates of Extra Establishments have been received and a General estimate embodying the several particulars of each is now under preparation in the Board's Office, and will be laid before Government as soon as possible.

3 I am desired to observe that the Board have not been unmindful of the orders of Government for the punctual submission of these Estimates, but the delay which has occurred in the receipt of those from some of the districts has prevented the transmission of the statements within the prescribed

time

time. The Collectors of those Districts whose estimates are still wanting have been required to submit them without further delay.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St George
3rd September 1856.

(Signed) G. S. Forbes
Secretary

Ordered that the following letter be sent.

164-166.

BR No 2881.

To the Collectors of Masulipatam, Trichinopoly, Cuddapah, Kurnool and North arcot.

To The Collectors of Masulipatam, Trichinopoly Cuddapah, Kurnool and North arcot.

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that you will transmit forthwith the Estimate of Extra charges prepared to be incurred in your District for Fusly 1266 and to inform you that the Government have noticed the delay which has occurred in the submission of these Statements.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St George
3rd September 1856.

(Signed) G. S. Forbes
Secretary

Extract

BR No 3371.

From the Secretary to Government. . . .

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

167

Referring to the Board for report a Petition from one Ramasawmiah Meerasidar of the Cattoor in Mannargoody Talook of Tanjore. . . . .

See No 906 in Separate Volume P. 121

167-168

BR No 2884

Order thereon.

Ordered to be communicated to the acting Collector of Tanjore for report.

No 94.

To, G. S. Forbes Esqre
Secretary to the
Court of Wards.
Fort St George

169

BR No 1067

From the Collector of Tinnevelly. . . .

Sir

With reference to Circular from the Sub Secretary to the Board of Revenue under date the 28th June 1852, I have the honor to forward herewith the Statements noted in the Margin exhibiting in detail the Settlement of the minor Zemindaries of Cottoomalay, and Shevelpetty, in this District, left to the Management of the minors relations, under

2 Statements of Summaburay Settlement and 2 Account-Current.

under the sanction of Government dated 3rd December 1851, and 5th April 1853 respectively and the particulars of receipts and Disbursements for Fusly 1264, and to report that the Estates appear to be Satisfactorily managed, and the charges of Management &c are just and moderate.—

Peishcush Pottoomalay Rs. 26972-4-9 Shevelpulty 6166-11-5

2 The Peishcush of the two Estates due on account of Fusly 1264.—

were

were fully realized before the expiration of the co Fusly-

3- Sawmy Naig the Minor Zemindar of Shevelpulty having died on the 25th January last, his younger Brother Sooba Naig has been as recommended in my letter of the 14th Instant to be recognized as successor and heir to the co Estate-

Tinnevelly Collectors Circuit Cutcherry Trichinopoly 24th March 1856

(Signed) J. Silver. Collector.

Summabundy

16056 Ft. George.

No. 1. Jumnor Zemindar

Fusly 1264.

3d September 1856.

in the District of Tinnevelly for Fusly 1264.

Name of the Estate.	Extent of Cultivation	Beriz	Bangajet. Extent of Cultivation	Beriz	Poonjah. Tope Beriz	Tauel kunel Beriz
1	2	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Sc Nr Nr	Rs A P	Sc Nr Nr	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P
Oottoomalay.						
Ayen Villages	48 17 5/8	1331 5 5	224 8 7 7/8	3450 3 9	549 15 1 1/8	7701 6 8	789 8 10	1556 14 6
Davustanem Do.	3 20 3/4	604 8 8	2 9 5 3/4	10 15 6	50 13 7 5/8	446 9 5	275 15 9	607 4 9
Shuttrem Do.	1 7 1/2	21 8 8	1 18 5 1/4	17 15 1	28 15 2	266 7 5	22 8 6	257 1 11
Total	52. 2029 3/4	1957 6 9	228 16 2 7/8	3479 2 4	629 2 2 3/4	8414 7 6	1088 1 1	2421 5 2

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Balance outstanding at the beginning of Fusly 1264.

Fish Rent.	Tax levied on Cocoa-nut trees	Treasury Vary.	Beriz of the lands on granted to the Ryots by the Zemindar on Cutgoottah tenure.	Net profit derived from the Lands of the private farm after deducting Mailwarum	Poarruttoo varee or tax levied on straw heaps.	Total Demand of Fusly 1264.	Deduct Enams.	Net Amount.	On account of Fusly 1261.	On account of Fusly 1262.	On account of Fusly 1263	Total.	Total demand including arrears.
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P
1490 13 9	" " " " "	800 2 3	1601 8 11	50 8 2	37,032 3 6	558 11 3	36473 5 2	65 1 6	526 5.	8131 2 4	8722 8 10	45195 11.	
786. 84 1 8	366 8 1	173 11 6	" " "	6 9 4	5218 13.	127 14 8	5090 14 4	" " "	" " "	942 11 5	942 11 5	6033 9 9	
21 5. " "	" " "	35 " "	" " "	1 11 3	1751 14 5	40 13 5	1711 1.	" " "	" " "	215 2 9	215 2 9	1926 3 9	
1590 8 9	84 1 8	366 8 1	1008 13 9	1601 8 11	58 12 9	44002 14 10	727 10 4	43275 4 6	65 1 6	526 5.	9289 . 6	9880 7.	53155 11 6

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	Collections. On account of Arrears.					Balance On account of arrears.					
On account of Current Revenue.	Fusly 1261.	Fusly 1262.	Fusly 1263.	Total	Total of Columns 32 and 36.	On account of Current Revenue.	Fusly 1261.	Fusly 1262	Fusly 1263.	Total.	Total of Columns 38 and 42.
32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43
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	Rs A P
28042 . 6	24 . .	137 14 11	1743 . 10	1904 15 9	29947 . 3	8431 4 8	41 4 6	388 6 1	6388 1 6	6817 9 1	15248 13 9
4230 . 11	" " "	" " "	287 10 5	287 10 5	4517 11 4	860 13 5	" " "	" " "	655 1 "	655 1 .	1515 11 5
1590 4 9	" " "	" " "	180 4 2	180 4 2	1770 8 11	120 12 3	" " "	" " "	34 14 7	34 14 7	155 10 10
33862 6 2	24 . .	137 14 11	2210 15 5	2372 14 4	36235 4 6	9412 14 4	41 4 6	388 6 1	7078 1 1	7507 8 8	16920 7 .

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E. E. F. (Signed) J. Silver
Collector.

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Dr. The Collector of the Zillah of Timevelly in account Current with Veroothayalaya Maroothapa Thaver Minor Zemindar of Ottoomalay for Fusly 1264 ——— Cr.

	Rs. As.	Rs. As.
Ordinary		
Current Revenue of Fusly 1261		
To Cash received on account of the Land Revenue of the Ayen Villages as per Summahbundy Settlement No. 1 Column 37 ———	28,042 " 6	
To Do. Do. on account of Davestanum Villages as per Do. Do. ———	4,230 " 11	
To Do. Do. on account of Shettrum Villages as per Do. Do. ———	1590 4 9	
	33,862 6 2	
Arrears.		
To Cash received on account of arrears outstanding against the Ryots of the Ayen Villages for Fusly 1263 ———	964 9 5	
		34,827 3 7
Ordinary.		
By Cash paid on account of Kists to the Honorable Company for Fusly 1264 ———	26,972 4 9	
By Do. paid being interest on account of arrears of Kist ———	366 14 11	
By Do. paid for the subsistence of the Minor Rs. for one year ———	1457 15 8	
By Do. paid for feeding 10 Horses belonging to the Minor ———	356 1 "	
By Do. paid on account of the expenses incurred in Cultivating the lands belonging to the private farm ———	891 7 7	
By Do. paid being the pay of the servants belonging to Do. ———	293 2 4	
Lungerkana at Talamcottah ———	25 " "	
By Do. paid being the Batta to persons who conveyed Kists to the Hoozoor Treasury ———	21 11 "	
By Do. paid for postage ———	1 7 9 "	
By Do. paid on account of the Charges incurred in preferring an appeal to the Sudder Court against the decree of the Civil Court of Timevelly in favor of the Zemindar of Singumputty in a case of debt	305 " "	
	1,566 11 3	
		1,016 7 85
Balance on hand on the 30th June of Fusly 1264.		
In favor of Ayen Villages ———	198 12 7	
In Do. of Davastanum Villages ———	677 " 10	
In Do. of Shettrum Villages ———	656 8 1	
	1532 5 6	
Total Company's Rupees ———	1,699 13 11	1,699 13 11

Timevelly 1st July 1855. E. E. Jr.

(Signed) J. Silver
Collector.

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No 3. Summahbundy Settlement of Shevilputty the Zemindary of Samy Nair for Fasly 1264.

Name of the Estate.	Nunjah Peshcush. Extent of Cultivation	Quantity of Mailwarum thereof	Average price per Grain Pitch	Amount of Summah	Current do Nunjah mail Poonjah Extent of Cultivation	Beriz	Fish ent.	Nottavaree.	Mundagoo Paddee & Varee.
	1	2	4	5	6	7	14	15	16
	Ac	m m Gc.	m m Rs A P	Rs A P	Ac	m m Rs	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P
Shevelputty.									
Ayen Villages	25 1/2	88 15 4/8	153 " 5	" "	459 1 8	13 12 3/4	35 9	23 12.	224 5 5 80 7 10
Davastanum Do:	3.	" " "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	16 2.	" " "
Total	28 1/2	88 15 4/8	153 " 5	" "	459 1 8	13 12 3/4	35 9	23 12.	240 7 5 80 7 10

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No. 3. Summahlly Minor Zemindar in the

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District of Tinnevelly for Fusly. 1264.

Demand of Fusly 1264.

Vampyre.

Poonjah

Name of the Estate.	Extent of Cultivation	Beriz.	Extent of Cultivation.	Beriz.	Tope Beriz.	Tank land Beriz.	Fish rent.	Nattavaree.	Mundagoo Padee or Varee.
1	8	9.	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Lc.			Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P
Shevelputty.									
Ayen Villages	5 42 19 5	638 12 6	3312 53/64	16019 10 3	24 1 3	12 11 7	23 12.	224 5 5	80 7 10
Davastanum Do.	" " " " " "		288 15/64	1558 9 5	2 153	" " "	" " "	16 2 "	" " "
Total	5 42 19 5	638 12 6	3601 1/16	17578 3 8	27 " 6	12 11 7	23 12.	240 7 5	80 7 10

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Net profit derived from the lands of the private farm after deducting Trail Warum.	Total Demand of Fusly 1264.	Deduct Enams.	Net amount.	Arrears for Fusly 1263.	Total Demand including Current and Arrears.	Collections. On account of Current revenue of Fusly 1264.	Collections. On account of arrears of Fusly 1263.	Collections. Total.	Balance. On account of Current revenue of Fusly 1264.	Balance. On account of arrears of Fusly 1263.	Balance. Total.
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24.	25	26.	27	28
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	Rs A P
4,123 5 6	21,041 13 5	749 5 4	20892 8 1	110 5 "	21002 13 1	20692 " 1	" " "	20692 " 1	200 8 "	110 5.	310 13.
" " "	1577 10 8	43 2 3	1534 8 5	" " "	1534 8 5	1534 8 5	" " "	1534 8 5	" " "	" " "	" " "
4,123 5 6	23319 8 1	792 7 7	22427 " 6	110 5.	22537 5 6	22226 8 6	" " "	22226 8 6	200 8 "	110 5.	310 13.

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E. E. Fr. / Signed / J. Silver.
Collector.

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Rs A P Rs A P

Dr { The Collector of the Zilla Chevelpully for Fasly 1264
A/c of } giving food &c to the Tra-
vellers in the Nelly Chuttrum
on the High Road from Travancore to
Madras ——— 703 5 .

By Dr paid on account of the Pagoda
Tusdeek and Sibbandy &c ——— 1707 11 6

16915 6 3

Extraordinary.

By Dr paid for performing the anniversaries
of the deceased Zemindar &c ——— 475 2 5

By Dr paid for performing the Obsequies of
Carumaul Naidoo the late Manager of
the Zemindary ——— 500 " "

By Dr paid for performing the customary
ceremonies attending the birth day of the
Minor Zemindar ——— 481 3 "

By Dr paid on account of the expenses
incurred in giving presents to the Ryots on
the 1st day of Thies and Audy Months ——— 206 2 8

To Cash on hand at the
beginning of Fasly 1264
in favor of the Ayen
Villages ——— 3099 11 11

Dr Dr in favor of the
Dawnstanum Villages ——— 1468 5 4

4563 1 3

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To

G. I. Forbes Esq.

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George.

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B. No. 2080.

From the Collector of Chingleput

Forwarding the information called for respecting the conservancy of the Jungles of Streehurrecottah

Sir

I have the honor to furnish the information called for in Contract from Minutes of Consultation No. 303 under date the 17th March last reviewing the Boards Proceedings of the 22d February preceding in reference to my letter No. 336 of the 12th December 1855 reporting as to the best means of simplifying the tax on the firewood exported from the Jungles at Streehurrecottah.

2 Adverting to Para 2 of the Minutes of Consultation above referred to. I beg to state that the division of the lands of each Village on the working tract of a particular set of Villages as proposed by the Board, does not seem to me to be easy of accomplishment, as it would render very largely increased Establishments necessary to act as useful checks over the wood cutters, and which are not really wanted. I have therefore ordered the forest to be divided into five portions agreeably with the original plan suggested by the Board; and each portion to be worked for one year and lie fallow 4 years in consecutive orders so as to admit of its again recovering its full growth before being subjected to a Second felling and I trust that this will answer

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To Disbursements on account of Water Randal — 35 8 4

By Do. paid being the amount subscribed for Lunger Khan at Calamcottah — 36 " "

By Do. paid for the charges incurred in collecting Rattle Cay in Pagodas — 88 9 6

By Do. paid for repairs done to Tanks and Channels — 587 2 4

By Do. paid for Materials purchased for the use of the Public Honorable Board — 89 4 " — 2499 " 3

Balance on hand on the 30th June of Fasly 1264 — 1911 6 6

Total Company's Rupees — 27018 14 11

(Signed) I. Elliot
Collector

Errors Excepted

Total Company's Rupees — 27018 14 11

Sundries by 1st July 1855 — E. E. Fs.

Cedar Plantation — Credited to Collector

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answer all the purposes intended from it As regards the paucity of workmen which was represented as impeding the successful progress of the above System. I believe that it can be remedied and the Merchants will have no reason to complain of a want of hands. the workmen will only be required to go a longer distance to their work.

3. In reference to the difference of periods stated by Mr. Cotton and myself as regards for the regrowth of the Jungle, I beg to explain as that by 5 years, I meant the period, when the trees could be cut again while that Gentleman referred to the time that would be [illegible] to grow before they were cut. I believe 7 years is about the time allowed for brushwood in England before it is cut down for faggots, and in this Country where vegetation is more luxuriant and rapid, the time should be shorter. Of late years, the growth may have been retarded by the dryness of the seasons. If the demand allowed it and the trees could be kept for 8 years, the additional quantity of material favourable would be [illegible] to 1/7.

4 In conformity with the instructions conveyed in Para 4 of the Minutes of Consultation, the additional fee levied on the two Annas bundles of Class 3 has ceased to be charged. Owing to its small size, this class has

always been weighed, and the instrument used has been the Ordinary triangle and scales. Double weighing it may be attended with considerable trouble and no absolute security against imposition, but it is a kind of check which no measurement by the eye would not allow of even though a suspicious bundle here and there were occasionally subjected to proof. It is this kind of wood which is in greatest demand, and has been the chief cause of the Jungle being improperly felled. By dividing the Jungle into 5 portions or even more, the young trees will be better able to recover and their chances of absolute destruction be greatly removed. In fact this small kind of wood is entirely of modern supply dating its existence from the reversion of the Jungles to Government, as in the time of the Zemindars he did not allow it to be cut being content to wait till it had attained its full growth - and had passed beyond the description now made up into faggots.

It may be considered whether it would not be advisable to revert to this system. The only question would be the supply of faggots to the Madras Market, and it might therefore perhaps be better tried after the opening of the Railway and extension of the Coast

Canal

Canal have facilitated the arrival of increased quantities at the Presidency from other quarters.

5. Referring to the observations recorded on the inconvenience of calculating the wood by the lac of pieces I beg to State that there is great truth on this, and it will perhaps be better to reduce the rate to 1,000 pieces, or logs or bundles as the case may be. To reduce it lower to the scare, as has been suggested, would be of no advantage or object as the wood is not required on the Spot, and must be taken away in boat loads and it is evident that the larger the quantity the boats can carry, the greater the profit to the exporter so that any quantity short of 1000 logs or bundles would never be likely to be wanted. The value of each Class of wood on the Spot, and the rate of toll as fixed on it is entered in the Margin.

Sort of Wood	Cost paid by Merchants for 1000 pieces	Toll
1st Class Wood	6 2 "	2 10 "
2d Do	3 8 "	1 14 9
3d Do	2 2 "	1 6 5
4th Do	1 " "	14 7
One Bundle of faggots 10 Maunds weighing	" 3 3 "	2 "

6 In respect of the System of dividing the Jungles into a number of portions, and of subdividing these portions into lots of convenient size and putting them up annually to auction, which was advocated in Para 6 of the Minutes of Consultation I would beg to observe that it appears calculated to exterminate the Jungles rather than improve them as there are no resident Overseers who could become the renters and who would consider their preservation as a means of contributing towards their comfort. The rents being necessarily given to Strangers under such Circumstances, greediness for immediate gain would induce them to cut the trees down to their very roots, and any prohibitory clauses in the Leases would be evaded, and their enforcement could only be effected through the tardy medium of the Civil Courts. The system of dividing the Jungles into 5 portions, and working them annually one after another in succession would therefore seem to be the best that could be followed.

A Peishcar with an Establishment of Peons and other subordinates as noted in the Margin is stationed at Shevaroy Hills with Jurisdiction over 49 neighbouring Villages and there are 2 Talliars specially allotted for the

1 Peishcar	
1 Sumpretty	
1 Sawaburonnus	
1 Duffadar	
3 Tilladers	
18 Peons	
17 Talliars	

the Service of the Jungles They are held strictly responsible for guarding them against the unlawful encroachments of Strangers, and do appear to be sufficient for the purpose. The tribe of Yanadees are also said to report whenever they see any thing unusual going on or the advent of Strangers whose Proceedings appear to them suspicious.

Trees	Quantity of wood converted into Faggots	Total			
1255					
1256	1097.530	1082	7	11	
1257	4979.860	5067	0	11	
1258	7813.433	7509	5	0	
1259	6939.990	6578	3	2	
1260	1908.383	2961	3	1	
1261	3513.095	3536	X	4	
1262	7765.450	7437	1	8	
1263	7773.860	7333	6	4	
1264	1695.691	1946	12	5	
	7124.370	6889	15	10	
Average quantity of Faggots exported during the above 10 years.	23018 Bundles each weighing 10 Maunds.	2909	12	4	

Chingleput District
Collector's Cutcherry
Pydapett 7th May 1856.

Sd/ J. Lubnick
Collector

J.C.B.

8 The quantity of firewood brought from the Jungles for the last 10 years as well as the amount of Taxes collected thereon during the above period is entered Dis the Margin

3d No. 2857.

Proceedings thereon

Submitting with the Board's observations a letter from the Collector of Chingleput on the subject of the management and conservancy of the Streeharicottah Jungle.

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Resolved that the foregoing letter be forwarded for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

2 In the Extract Minutes Consultation dated 9th March 1856 Revenue Depatch No. 303 the Government recorded their views on the management and conservancy of the Streeharricottah Jungle, and called for certain information on the subject, which the Collector now furnishes.

3. The first point requiring notice is the proposition for dividing the Jungles into portions for separate years cuttings. The Collector has, it will be seen, adopted the original suggestion of the Board, and divided the forest into five portions one of which will alone be worked each year. By this arrangement each such part will be left for only four years to recover itself before being subjected to a second felling. The Board are disposed to think that it would have been better to divide the Jungles into at least six portions, so as to allow the brushwood an uninterrupted growth of five

five years the size of the logs is likely otherwise to become reduced.

4. Mr. Shubrick will if the Government approve be directed to make this alteration in his arrangements. Before the entire period has elapsed it is probable that the extension of the Railway will have opened fresh sources of supply and it will then be easy to modify the proposed plan in any respect which is found to be desirable.

5. The Collector has reduced the duty on the 10 maund Bundle of Brushwood from two Annas and one pie to two annas, in conformity with the suggestion of Government. He also explains that it is usual to weigh all firewood of this class with the ordinary triangle and scales. As the system of weighment, as regards this description of fuel, is now in operation and is certainly more to be relied on than measurement by the eye, the Board would not recommend any change.

6. It would seem to be preferable as suggested by Mr. Shubrick, to rate the duty on fuel per thousand prices instead of by

by the lac, as at present. In para 5 of his letter the Collector has given a marginal table of the cost price of fuel and the toll levied thereon which is not proportionate. It will be seen that the latter is not proportionating rated on the value, ranging as it does from 10 to 90 per Cent. It would perhaps be more equitable if there were some approximation in each case between the value and duty, the fractions of an Anna being altogether excluded. The Board will be prepared to give this subject further consideration should Government desire it.

7. The Board agree in the observations of the Collector in para 6 as to the indesirableness of subdividing the proposed annual portions, and putting them up to auction. Under such a system the rents would probably fall into the hands of strangers, and each contractor would think it but right that he should extract as much of the material as he could during his rent. At present each man pays for what he fells and there is no inducement to extensive and promiscuous cutting.

Para 7 of Coll.r's letter

8. A Peishcar and his Establishment consisting of 12 individuals are stationed at

at Streeharrecottah with jurisdiction over 19 Neighbouring Villages. Two Taliars are specially appointed to watch the Jungles which the Collector deems sufficient as the tribe of Ganadies, who inhabit the forests are said to report whenever strangers make their appearance, or any thing unusual occurs. Under these circumstances the Board conceive that no increase of establishment is called for.

9 With reference to para 7 of Extract Minutes Consultation dated 7th March 1856 the Board regret to observe that from an accidental circumstance there has been some delay in submitting this report to Government.

In Cons 2d April 1856.

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To

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the Board of Revr

Sir,

B. No. 1872 From the Collr of Madras

In reply to your letter of the 15th May I have the honor to forward a Statement which I trust will afford the information called for.

The item No 1 in Statement of the Charges incurred without Estimate refers to the quantity of Salt stored and covered during Fasly 1264, and does not show the amount of Salt

Salt manufactured.

The enclosed Statement explains how the increase of heaps covered took place, notwithstanding the decrease of 1188 Garces in the manufacture.

In Fasly 1263, it will be seen that 135094 Indian Maunds (Viz. 12,326 from Chingleput and 111834 from Nellore) of Salt belonging to the Contractor were received, but not covered at the expense of Government.

This would leave Net Salt covered 8907 Garces.

Maunds received from Chingleput and 58770 Maunds manufactured at Madras, making a total of 7351 Garces but the quantity entered as covered in that year is 7807 Garces or an excess of 456 Garces which is composed of 74 Garces of the manufacture of 1263 covered in that year but paid for in 1264.

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182 Garces which were conveyed from Cuavoor Stored and recovered at Madras.

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20 Garces uncovered for the purpose of examination by the Collector and recovered = 256 Garces and an increase of 900 Garces in 1264 over the quantity covered in the previous year.

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Madras, 28th May, 1856.

Signed B. Cunliffe Collector.

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To

G. S. Forbes Esqre.

Secretary to the

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Board of Revenue

B.d No. 2557. Sir

From the Collectors of Canara — In forwarding a Tabular Statement called for by the Boards Circular of the 17th March last, I have the honor to state for their information, that form No. 2 is not supplied, no salt being exported from this District.

Collectors Cutcherry,
Mangalore, - - -
2nd July, 1856 - -

I have &c.
Signed W. Fisher
Collector.

No. 1.

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Fort St. Geo. 3rd September 1856.

Statement

Remarks.

Quantity for which Certificates were issued during the year.

Quantity for which Certificates were cancelled during the year.

Quantity remaining undelivered at the end of the year.

Quantity delivered during the year.

Value of the same.

Rate per Candy.

Duty realized.

Number of Certificates issued during the year.

Number of Certificates cancelled during the year.

Number of Certificates remaining undelivered at the end of the year.

Number of Certificates delivered during the year.

Duty realized on account of Certificates issued in former years.

Duty realized from Certificates issued during the year.

Total Duty realized during the year.

Value of Salt delivered on account of Certificates issued during the year.

Value of Salt delivered on account of Certificates issued in former years.

Total value of Salt delivered during the year.

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1253 Fasli 1,32,323 Candies 1,50,421 1,11,824 40,221 30 1,552 0 4

1254 Fasli 3,89,220 " 3,18,412 " 70,808 " 2,808 " 8 " 4

1,42,635 as per Statement

Madras, 28th Aug. 1856

Orders thereon

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Examined

Signed G. S. Forbes

Secy. to the Govt.

The Comr. of Customs in the Salt Department for Fasli 1253 to 1254 Returns Quantity for which Certificates were issued during the year. 1,32,323 Candies 32 Pucka Quantity for which Certificates were cancelled during the year. 1,50,421 Candies 4 Pucka Quantity remaining undelivered at the end of the year. 1,11,824 Candies 30 Pucka Quantity delivered during the year. 40,221 Candies 32 Pucka Value of the same. 1,552 0 4 Rate per Candy. 2 8 0 Duty realized. 2,808 Number of Certificates issued during the year. 4,807 Number of Certificates cancelled during the year. 2,807 Number of Certificates remaining undelivered at the end of the year. 2,182 Number of Certificates delivered during the year. 2,554 Duty realized on account of Certificates issued in former years. 900 Duty realized from Certificates issued during the year. 2,808 Total Duty realized during the year. 3,708 Value of Salt delivered on account of Certificates issued during the year. 2,554 Value of Salt delivered on account of Certificates issued in former years. 900 Total value of Salt delivered during the year. 3,454

Signed G. S. Forbes
Secy. to the Govt.

Examined

Signed G. S. Forbes
Secy. to the Govt.

Statement

Collectors

Remarks.

Quantity for which Certificates were issued during the year.

Quantity for which Certificates were cancelled during the year.

Quantity remaining undelivered at the end of the year.

Quantity delivered during the year.

Value of the same.

Rate per Candy.

Duty realized.

Number of Certificates issued during the year.

Number of Certificates cancelled during the year.

Number of Certificates remaining undelivered at the end of the year.

Number of Certificates delivered during the year.

Duty realized on account of Certificates issued in former years.

Duty realized from Certificates issued during the year.

Total Duty realized during the year.

Value of Salt delivered on account of Certificates issued during the year.

Value of Salt delivered on account of Certificates issued in former years.

Total value of Salt delivered during the year.

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No 1. Statement of Salt

Name of the Cotaur or Depot.	1	2 Quantity of Manufactured Salt	3 Imported from Goa and Bombay	4 Salt	5 Boma and Salt Salt	6 Exported by Sea	7 Amount paid to Manufacturers at the Establishment	
		Md.	Md.	Md.	Md.	Md.	Rs.	a.
Puzoor		"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Paloske		"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Mangalore		"	85,284	85,282	21819	"	15737	12
Bekul		"	5026	5026	2034	"	906	5
Godipy		"	55,628	55,628	13823	"	9921	11
Bascoor		"	1515	1515	7593	"	236	2
Candapoor		111,306	10,187	121493	67294	"	15801	2
Honore		113,004	2666	115670	55788	"	11120	10
Ankola		138,027	6919	144946	79790	"	13881	5 11
Total		362337	170005	532342	424103	"	65535	10 11
Grand Total		362337	170005	532342	424103	"	65535	10 11

Collectors Cutchery, Mangalore

St. George 3d Sept. 1856

ent at the manufacturing
ears -

Boat hire
to the D

mporary Establishment

Amount	Proportion per Garce	Quantity	Garce
Rs a p	Rs a p		
170 10 8	" 7 10	209	
138 6 7	" 5 11	223	
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Revenue
Fort St George

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Dated 24th Sept 1856

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Madras 1856

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Signed Wm Fisher
Collector.

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16078. Fort St. George 3d September 1856.

No 307

To

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

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B. No 2863

From the Collector of Sea Customs Madras

Sir

Suggesting for reasons stated that the Bonded Warehouse Keeper should receive a salary of 150 Rupees per Grossem and requesting that their favorable recommendation be submitted to Government that the augmentation to his salary be sanctioned

Para 1 I have the honor to bring to your notice that in the revised Establishment a salary of Rupees 25 is sanctioned for the Warehouse In the letter from the Revenue Board dated 27th February 1837 Rupees 50 and twenty five respectively were sanctioned for the Establishment.

2 I beg to bring to the notice of the Board of Revenue that the Bonding System has now become fully established It will appear by the inclosed Statement that the Value of goods in Bond was in 1854 Rupees 16,996-6-9 One Lac Sixty Seven thousand Nine hundred and Seventy Six annas Six and Pice Nine and in 1855 Rupees 2,79,553-5-3 Two Lacs Seventy Nine thousand five hundred and fifty Three and Annas five.

The Collections have been as under

1850 from 25 September Rupees	159	12 8
1851 "	881	9 7
1852 "	3527	9 6
1853 "	998	7 8
1854 "	810	4 4
1855 "	692	5 11
1856 From 1st January to 30th April	180	8 11
	7201	4 7
Deduct Establishment	1680	- -
Rupees	5521	4 7

Remarks

leaving an unappropriated balance of Rupees 5521-7 five thousand Five hundred and Twenty one annas seven and Pice Seven.—

4 By clause 3 act 25 of 1836 the Wherehouse keeper is personally responsible for goods It never was the intention of Government to derive a Revenue from the Warehouse and as the Officer in charge has a serious responsibility devolved on him, he ought to be paid in proportion, the quantity of Liquor and valuable goods is very large and the temptation placed in the way of the party in charge is great I therefore respectfully recommend that the Wherehouse Keeper receive Rupees 150 One hundred and fifty per mensem, so long as there are funds to disburse this, and that six months before those funds fall short of the amount the Subject of this Officers Salary be brought to the notice of the Board with a view to orders being passed on the Subject that this Salary may not be a charge on the Revenue.—

Mr. Luca is in charge of the Wherehouse

is a deserving Officer his Salary is Rupees 40 per mensem and I propose that the difference be given him.—

6 I respectfully solicit that the Board of Revenue may under the Circumstances be pleased to forward this communication with their favorable recommendation to Government that the Augmentation to the Salary of the Wherehouse Keeper may be sanctioned I apprehend the Sanction of the Supreme Government is not required.—

Sea Customs House
Madras 26th July 1856.

/Signed/ W. C. Underwood
Collector Sea Customs

Statement A

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Fort St. George

No. 1 Statement of Value of Goods

1854

Description of Goods	Gallons	Rupees	As	P
Brandy	8777	61439	"	"
Gin	907	3628	"	"
Rum	3285½	4106	4	"
Old Tom	56	560	"	"
Whis Key	53	477	"	"
Claret	218	1962	"	"
Sherry	2691	21528	"	"
Portwine	2243	20187	"	"
Beef and Pork		790	"	"
Piece Goods		29898	"	"
Gold Thread		3200	"	"
Nut Megs		312	15	"
Coir Fibres		3643	15	"
Quick Silver		8205	12	"
Sundries		299	1	11
Millenery		2632	"	"
Jewellery		1897	"	"
Companys Rupees		167976	6	9

Sea Custom House
Madras
26th July 1856

3rd September 1856

in Bond

1855

Description of Goods	Gallons	Rupees	As	P
Brandy	15189	106323	"	"
Gin	3585	12340	"	"
Rum	1395	1743	12	"
Old Tom	161	1610	"	"
Whis Key	70	630	"	"
Claret	671	6039	"	"
Sherry	5682	45456	"	"
Champagne	227	3405	"	"
Portwine	1316	11844	"	"
Madeira	406	3248	"	"
Porter		36	"	"
Vignor	48	576	"	"
Bass Ale	"	552	"	"
Candles	2250 lbs	1687	8	"
Brimstone	"	488	7	10
Tea	"	1164	8	"
Jewellery	"	1100	"	"
Coffee	"	2629	4	5
Piece Goods	"	11293	3	"
Twist	"	53207	"	"
Wearing Apparel	"	3028	"	"
Gold thread	"	3700	"	"
Glass ware	"	499	"	"
Sundries	"	3156	12	11
Oilmanstores	"	933	4	"
Coir Fibres	"	663	12	"
Companys Rupees		279553	5	"

(Signed) W. E. Underwood
Collector Sea Customs

Proceedings

Bd. No. 2890
Proceedings thereon.
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In the above letter the Collector of Sea Customs brings to notice the inadequacy of the Salary of the Bonded Warehouse Keeper and proposes that it should be increased.—

2 Mr. Underwood states that the Bonding System has now been fully established. He forwards a Statement shewing that the value of goods bonded in 1854 was Rupees 167976 and in 1855 Rupees 279553. The Collections from September 1850 to April 1856 amounted to Rupees 720— and the cost of Establishment to Rupees 1680 leaving a net Surplus of Rupees 5521.—

3 The present salary of the Warehouse Keeper is 25 Rs. which Mr. Underwood proposes to raise to 150 Rupees. So long as there are funds to meet the increased disbursements and he suggests that before the surplus is exhausted the salary be brought under review. in order to its being determined whether it may not be made a charge on the revenue.

4 The Board of Revenue cannot support the application of Mr. Underwood to its full extent. It is observed that the Collections of the last three years averaged about 70 Rupees a Month and it would be inexpedient to raise the Warehouse Keepers pay beyond this amount. In fact the Board think that his Salary should be fixed at about 50 Rupees a Month so as to leave a

a fair Margin for fluctuations.—

From the last received Broyen—
5 Zabitah it appears that Mr. Susa whom Mr. Underwood states to be in charge of the Warehouse is the Baggage Superintendent on a Salary of 40 Rupees and that the actual Salary of the Warehouse Keeper is 25 Rupees.— This will Account for the Smallness of the disbursements debited to the Bonding department during the last 5 years. It should be explained on what duty the Warehouse Keepers is employed and whether the Sanctioned Sum for the Original Establishment or any portion of it was absorbed in the revision of the general Establishment. The Board would also wish to be informed of the cause of the large Collections in 1852.—

1 Manager Rs. 50
1 Accountant " 25
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2 Tuscanies @ 1 Rs. each 12
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6 The Board request to be furnished with the opinion of the present Acting Collector whether on the Salary being increased to Rupees 50 the Office is likely to be an object of desire to respectable and qualified parties who will be prepared to give their whole time to its duties.—

To

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No. 318

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Sir

Fort St. George

I have the honor

with reference to Extract Proceedings Board

of Revenue dated 19th May 1856

No. 1520, to transmit two Statements

of the duties performed by the

Collector and Deputy, and to

submit for the information of

the Board the accompanying

Correspondence

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B. No. 2886

From the Collector of Sea Customs. Madras

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From Mr. Ricketts
dated 24th May 1856 No. 165
From Do. dated 17th July 1856 No. 289
To Do. dated 19th July 1856
No. 265
From Do. dated 30th June 1856
To Do. dated 5th July — 310
To Do. dated 10th July — 313

Correspondence noted in the Margin

to and from Mr. Ricketts.

Sea Custom House
Madras 26th July 1856

/ Signed / W. C. Underwood

Collector Sea Customs

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Statement of duty performed by the Collector

Designation of Office and present Salary	Alterations which have taken place within the last 25 years in the Salary allowed	Duties to be performed	Special circumstances which were considered or ought to be considered in fixing the Salary.
Collector of Sea Customs Madras Salary 1800 Rupees per Mensem besides Commission at 3% cent on the Net Revenue.		The various offices held by the Collector of Sea Customs is as follows viz Collector Customs. Receipt custody and issue of Stores under act XIX of 1852 Supply of Forms for all maritime Collectors Importation and Exportation of arms and Ammunitions to be applied for the Collector of Sea Customs sales of all Produce in the interior sent by Collectors and receipt and Collections of the money Member of Committee to survey and report on all goods supposed to be damaged The Collector is also Bonded Warehouse keeper and held personally responsible compiler of the monthly statements of Trade for the use of Government and the Mercantile community Justice on Sessions Government Director of the Bank Receive and remit the Wages and effects of Dead Seamen.	
		The Duty of the Collector comprises the Direction control and General supervision of the Department. The Establishment consists of 94 persons besides Coniscopolies and Peons Conducting the correspondence of all appeals and complaints and determining disputed Questions either of valne quality or description replying to references from the Board of Revenue the Government and from the various Collectors in the Interior on which his opinion is solicited. Imposing the penalty of fines goods taken on account of Government checking and punishing all irregularities in the various Departments framing and from time to time rules for the guidance of the Local Officers and the Collectors Port dues.	
		The collector frames the monthly and annual statements of the External Commerce a branch which occupies a very large portion of his time and is moreover an arduous and responsible duty and which formerly had a separate officer at its head.	
		The Collector of sea customs was the Registrar of Shipping granted by each Local officer and to returns to England furnished by this Officer this has been how Victoria cap CIV The Collector held the office	field responsible for the correctness of every Register to the Master attendant under act 17 of 18 gratuitously for 5 years The Board of necessity of nominating to the appointment of Revenue in Calcutta urged on Government fairness and industry and the Sentence Supreme as one in which besides industry and general Collector of Sea Customs an officer possessing observed. "That the office of Collector of Customs clock and much temper no essential qualifications" ability and calm judgement and discretion

(Signed) W. E. Underwood
Collector Sea Customs

Designation

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Fort St George

3d September 1856

Designation of office and present Salary	Alterations which have taken place within the last 25 years in the Salary allowed	Statement of duty performed by the Deputy Collector	Duties to be performed	Special Circumstances which were considered or ought to be considered in fixing the Salary.
Deputy collector of Sea Customs Madras Salary Rs 1500 per mensem	Formerly the Salary of the Office was Rupees 1006 with Commission of ½ per Cent also Fees for granting Port clearance making the average Salary Rupees 1900 per mensem in 1844 the fees were abolished and the Salary thus averaged for the last 10 years which the former incumbent Mr Williamson Enjoyed Rs 1700 per mensem. On the 1st May 1851 I was confirmed in the appointment the Salary was consolidated to Rs 1500 out of this is to be deducted my subscription to the civil Fund at 4 per cent or 60 Rupees leaving Rs 1440 as the Net Salary of the appointment making a deduction of an average of about 500 Rupees within the last 15 years.	The Deputy Collector has to Sea Customs House which comp goods to be cleared from the Imports and Exports the two per mensem besides Free, duty all these always being accom all Duty Bills and affixing all Bills for Port Dues bot Craft. Entering Import and Vessels and Country Craft the latter per month beside clearance for all those Vessels and Rum Certificates of Mauritius and the Colo and Exported by Land to the Warehouse The Custom Hou Service Writing to the Comm a Boat Note or any other after Sunset Securing Cash Chest Superintendi to the General Treasury. Thes responsibility on the Dep. Laborious from requiring Supervision on his part	perform the Executive duties of the as follows Passing all applications for Custom House from 10 A M to 4 P M both of these Papers amounting to about 2400 and Drawback applications and by a Pass the labor is doubled. Signing this extends to the Bill Book Signing of Square rigged Vessels and country Export manifests of square rigged to the average of 92 of the former and 60 Bimonthly Steamer to and from Suez granting expecting the Steamers granting Coffee Origin for goods Shipped to the Certificates for goods originally imported Frontier superviseing the Bonded Import and Export yards the Preventive Vessels when goods are landed without regularity such as landing goods Revenue collected daily in the the remittance of cash Weekly duties entail a great degree of Collector and in fact are extremely a most careful and necessary	The expenses of living are greater than in the Mofussil not only as regards the daily necessaries of life but more particularly that of House rent which is very high in Madras in addition to this the distance of this office from any residence is so great as to involve the necessity of a good deal of expense for Horses. The Climate of Madras tho by no means unhealthy is a trying one from the long continuance of extreme heat during the year there being only about 3 Months that can be called even cool.

Signed J. H. Cochrane
Deputy Coll[r] Sea Customs
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Fort St. George 3d September 1856

To

No. 3
Ft 163

The Collector of Customs

Madras

Sir

With reference to my letter of the 29th March No. 28 I beg leave to forward herewith Copy of a letter received from the Collector of Customs at Calcutta, in order that you may make any remarks on it that you may consider called for. It will assist comparision if you will supply me with Statements, such as you will find in the letter from Calcutta.—

Dated Nungee Sab
the 24th May 1856

/Signed/ H. Ricketts

Commissioner for the revision of civil Salaries and Establishments throughout India

No. 164

To

H. Ricketts Esqr

Commissioner for the revision of Civil Salaries and Establishments throughout India

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipts of your letter No. 19 dated the 29th March last, which I have delayed answering until now in order that I might furnish you with information brought up to the latest period. by

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including the results of the operations of the year just closed. I have been expecting also a Communication from Madras which has only this day reached me.—

2 This reference to Madras I was induced to make from a conviction that the Statement of the comparative cost of the Covenanted Agency employed in the Custom Houses at the several Presidencies given in the margen of the 1st Paragraph of your letter under reply is erroneous. The following I think you will find represents more correctly the State of the case in this respect.—

	Collectors Salary	Deputy Collectors Salary	Assistant Collectors Salary	Commission Average	Total cost of Covenanted Agency
Calcutta	Rupees 36000	Rupees 20400	"		Rupees 56400
Madras	" 21600	" 18000	"	Rupees 19200	" 58800
Bombay	" 42000	" 18000	Rupees 9600		" 69600

3 The question of the advisability of retaining a covenanted officer in the appointment of Deputy Collector of Customs has been recently decided in the affirmative and I do myself the honor to annex for your consideration Extracts of correspondence which has taken place on this subject. Should it now be deemed expedient to substitute Uncovenanted Agency

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Agency I think the Salary of the Officer appointed should not be less than Rupees 1000 per Mensem Seeing that of the Superintendent of the Preventive Service who would be his Subordinate and have to carry out his orders has been fixed at Rs. 800

4 In regard to the other question proposed by you namely the future Salary of the Collector I cannot but regret that the task of taking part in its discussion has devolved upon me in my present position. I am not as you are aware the actual incumbent of the Office, but carrying on the duties pro tem with the expectation of Succeeding to the Appointment in the possible event of his not returning to it. I may be supposed therefore directly interested in the result of any determination which may be come to in this matter. The consciousness of this makes me reluctant to say much that might fairly be said and which under other circumstances I should have had no hesitation in representing in reference to the difficulty and importance of the duties of the Office but I should be thought to be endeavouring to make out a case for my own personal advantage. In reality I confess I do not feel

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that my prospects in the Service are so entirely identified with the fate of the Collectorship of Customs as to prevent my expressing freely what I honestly think on the subject uninfluenced by any personal considerations. On the whole however it will be best perhaps that I should as briefly and with as little in the shape of Comment as possible lay before you such information as will enable you to judge for yourself of the nature and extent of the duties which the Collector of Customs at Calcutta has to discharge.

5. The extent of business in any Custom House must obviously be in proportion to the number and size of the Vessels frequenting the Port, the description of the Cargo which they bring or take away and the Amount of duty Collected. I have accordingly had prepared the following Tables exhibiting these particulars at intervals of five years Commencing with 1835/36.

Amount

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1 Amount of Shipping

	Number of Ships			Tonnage		
	Number of Ships arrived	Number of Ships departed	Total number of Ships	Import Tonnage	Export Tonnage	Total Tonnage
1835/36	494	526	1020	141298	852912	994210
1840/41	697	690	1387	234316	235092	469408
1845/46	1179	839	2018	320054	300695	620749
1850/51	1030	817	1847	366911	363555	730266
1855/56	1285	1310	2595	684618	671145	1355763

2 Value of Cargoes

	Value of Imports	Value of Exports	Total Value of Imports and Exports
1835/36	Rupees 3162 1782	Rupees 6077 2524	Rupees 9239 4306
1840/41	" 5867 7641	" 8369 3298	" 14237 0969
1845/46	" 6291 1297	" 10487 4438	" 16778 5735
1850/51	" 7053 2910	" 10728 0895	" 17781 3805
1855/56	" 14088 3879	" 13886 8919	" 27975 2798

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3 Amount of Duty Collected

	Amount duty Collected on Imports	Amount duty Collected on Exports	Total Collections
1835/36	Rupees 1827643	Rupees 2579798	Rupees 2087471
1840/41	" 3789960	" 1165195	" 4953155
1845/46	" 7166972	" 1311163	" 8478156
1850/51	" 9152749	" 1230901	" 10383651
1855/56	" 12404232	" 1755660	" 14159892

6 The Cost of the agency employed in each of the corresponding years was as follows.—

	Collector	Deputy Collector	1st Assistant	2d Assistant	3d Assistant	Total
1835/36	Rs 52750	Rs 20,400	Rs 14,400	Rs 12000	Rs 8400	Rs 107450
1840/41	" 36000	" 20,400	"	" 12,000	" 8400	" 76800
1845/46	" 36000	" 20,400	"	" 12,000	"	" 68400
1850/51	" 36,000	" 20,400	"	" 12,000 Uncovenanted	"	" 68400
1855/56	" 36000	" 20,400	"	" 6000	"	" 62400

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7 It is for you to consider whether any disproportion which may at any time have existed between the work to be done and the Agency employed upon it has not been corrected by the gradual but in the aggregate large increase of the former and decrease of the latter, or whether in fact the disproportion has not now been reversed. It will be seen from the above Statements that while the number of the Ships frequenting this port has increased by 154 per Cent, the Tonnage by 361 per Cent, the Value of the Cargoes by 202 per Cent and the Amount of duty Collected by 578 per Cent. the Salaries of those by whom the business of the Custom House is conducted have been reduced to the extent of nearly 45 per Cent within the last twenty years. It is not probable that the trade of Calcutta will diminish in future years. Indeed it is the opinion of well informed persons that the resources of the Country are now only beginning to

to be developed and that as the Railway is extended the growth of this trade will progress at a rate of which former experience affords no criterion and to which conjecture can set no limit. In the mean while it is certain that the preparations which are now making for Establishing an auxiliary Port in the Muttah will at no distant period impose much additional labour and responsibility on the Collector of Customs.

8 I will now proceed to give some description of the nature of the duties which the Collector of Customs has to discharge.

9 By arrangements which have been recently introduced into this Office the business connected with Imports has been entirely separated from that of Exports and so far as the passing of goods through the Custom House is concerned the Deputy Collector is supposed to preside and issue routine orders in the one and the Assistant in the other of these Departments. But the number

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+Leaving out of the account 5424 entries in what is called the Common Pass Register in which Passes granted to Government Officers and for private packages of trifling value are recorded the number of regular applications to pass goods has averaged daily during 1855/56.

Imports 89
Exports 112 } Total 201 – Frequently of course the number is much greater and has amounted to as many as 475 in one day.

+ of applications in each day is very frequently greater than those Officers can dispose of without keeping people waiting (and the delay of even a few minutes is regarded as a grievance by the applicants) The Collector is obliged therefore to take part in the current work of the office to the constant interruption of course of his own proper duties – These duties consist in the direction, control and general supervision of all Departments of an Establishment numbering not less than 318 persons of whom the majority are Europeans and East Indians, besides an equal number of Peons Barkundanzes, Boats-Crews &c. who also require looking after in carrying on official correspondence in deciding on all references disputes and questions which arise in the course of the transaction of business either in

*Much of this correspondence as may be supposed is carried on by notes which are not recorded. Exclusive of these the Number of letters written during the past year has been –

To Board of Revenue ——— 254
To other parties ——— 478
Usual formal Communication ——— 748
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in the Office or on board Ships and occasionally in cases referred by the Board and from the other Presidencies for his opinion in adjudicating in cases of seizure, forfeiture and smuggling in checking and punishing irregularities in the landing and shipping of goods and in enforcing attention generally to all rules and regulations of the Customs House –

10. In addition to the above other duties have been assigned to the Collector of Customs which would not appear to have any very close connection with the administration of the Customs Revenue. He is made responsible for the realization of all marine Bills and is the Channel of communication between the Public and the Marine authorities in all matters connected with the charges made in that Department. He has also to discharge a variety of very troublesome and disagreeable duties as Shipping Master under the Merchant Seamans act of 1854 – In this capacity he has to enquire into and settle all disputes which arise between Commanders and

+The amount collected in this Department in 1855/56 was as stated below and added to the Customs Revenue makes the total Collections in this Office considerably above a crore and a half of Rupees –

Number of bills issued	Amount	Number of Bills realized	Amount
6082	Rs 1297055	5776	Rs 1237164

*In Madras these duties are performed by the Master Attendant and in Bombay by the Police Magistrate –

and there crews in the adjustment of their accounts. He has to determine what deductions from wages may properly be made and what disallowed. No Seaman or Officer can be discharged till the correctness of his account has been admitted before the Collector who has to ascertain and to certify that the balance of wages due at the time of discharge has been paid. All casualties among the crews of ships are also reported to the Collector and the wages due to deceased Seamen must be recovered and the proceeds of their effects realized by him. These accompanied by a separate account for each Seaman have to be remitted to England and periodical returns with full particulars of all these matters have to be forwarded to the Board of Trade.—

11. The above sketch is a pretty complete account of the different branches of the business of the Collector of Customs at Calcutta. But after all it is scarcely possible by any mere enumeration of duties discharged to convey an idea of their difficulty or importance and a more just impression on this point would probably be derived from

* During the past year 1561 seamen took their discharge and 119 desertions and 99 deaths were reported

† Recently it has been determined in the Financial Department of the Government of India that the proceeds of the Estates of deceased Seaman throughout India shall be remitted through the Collector of Customs at Calcutta. This arrangement has only just begun to come into operation and it remains to be seen how far the business and responsibility of the Collector of Customs will be encreased by it—

from the estimate formed by the authorities to whom the Office is subordinate of the qualifications requisite for the efficient discharge of these duties.— you will no doubt remember from having taken part in the discussion, that not long ago a question was referred by Government for the consideration of the Board of Revenue which elicited an expression of opinion on this subject. On that occasion the Board urged on Government the necessity of nominating to the appointment an Officer professing "ability firmness" and industry" and this Honor the Lieutenant Governor was pleased to observe that " the Office of Collector of Customs is one in which besides indus= try and general ability a calm judg= ment a discriminating tact and much temper are essential qualifications"—

12 It will be conceded I presume that an Officer professing the above qua= lifications might reasonably aspire to advancement to the highest posts in any Department of the service and could hardly be expected to accept or remain contented

contented by in an appointment which has no single attraction beyond the salary attached to it. if that salary were no higher than he might calculate on immediately obtaining or than that which his Cotemporaries enjoy elsewhere. There are many appointments open to men of the same standing of which the duties as Compared with those of the Collector-Ship of Customs are more interesting and less laborious and which carry with them Dignity & influence and afford better opportunities of achieving a reputation in the service. The man who in accepting the latter gives up a fair Chance of any of the former makes a Sacrifice which he would not be induced to make without some compensating advantage in the shape of higher emolument—

13 There is another consideration which no doubt has occurred to yourself as one to which some weight is due in

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comparing the salary of any appointment in Calcutta with those of equal responsibility in other parts of India. The expense of living here is very great. From my own experience I should say that 50 per Cent was not an over estimate of the difference in the expenditure necessarily incurred in Calcutta and in the Mofussil as regards this Presidency. I have no knowledge of the cost of living in Madras or Bombay but am informed that there also it is less than in Calcutta.

With the above facts before you—

14 I cannot but think that the conclusion to which you will arrive will be that Rupees 36,000 per annum is rather an inadequate than an excessive rate of salary for the Head of a Department which contributes more than a Crore and a half of Rupees to the Revenue of the Country with large establishments requiring constant and vigilant supervision under his control with difficult and responsible duties to discharge and such as are—

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recognized by Government as requiring in the incumbent special qualifications but which at the same time are in themselves somewhat disagreeable and offer no inducement or attraction excepting the salary attached to the office and with a position to maintain in society at the seat of the supreme Government and Commercial Capital of the Empire involving of necessity a greater expenditure than would be incurred in any other part of India.

Calcutta —
Custom House —
the 13th May 1856

/ Signed / A. R. Young
Offg Coll. of Customs

/ True Copy /

/ Signed / H. Ricketts
Commr for the revision of Civil Salaries and Establishments throughout India.

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Encl. 4 in No. 287

To
The Collector of Sea Customs
Madras

Sir

Dated Agreeable to the 17th June 1856
I shall be obliged by your sending me copy of the Court's Dispatch of the 29th November 1843 by which the Salary of the Collector of Sea Customs was fixed at Rs. 30,000 per annum and of any papers connected with it that may be in your Office.

/ Signed / H. Ricketts
Commr for the Revision of Civil Salaries and Establishments throughout India.

Encl. 5 in No. 265

To
H. Ricketts Esquire
Commr for the Revision of Civil Salaries and Establishment throughout India

Sir

I have the honor to transmit with reference to your letter of the 17th ultimo the Honorable Court's Despatch called for therein, together with the papers connected with it as noted in the Margin, also copy of a letter from the Board of Trade Communicating a letter from the Secretary to Government fixing the salaries of the

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the Collector, Deputy, and Assistants.—

Also Minutes of Consultation of Government fixing the Salary of the Deputy Collector under the Court's Despatch.—

/Signed/ W. E. Underwood
Collector of Sea Customs

Encl. 6 No. 324

To
The Collector of Customs
Madras

Sir

Dated Nungee Tal the 24th June 1856

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th Ultimo No. 200.

2 At Calcutta the Collections are 140 Lacs of Rs. the expense of the Covenanted agency 66,000 Rs. at Bombay the Collections are 167 Lacs, the expense of the Covenanted agency 69,600 Rs. In the N. W. Provinces the Collections are 61 Lacs. the expense of the Covenanted agency 33,000 Rs. At Madras the Collections are 7 Lacs and the expense of the Covenanted agency /including Commission/ 68,800 Rs. The Madras Collections are 1/20th of the Calcutta Collections but the Establishments of Madras Cost 1/5th of the Calcutta Establishments.—

3d. I shall be obliged if you will state what there is to be stated in defence of the charges contained in your Office and shew Cause why the Master Custom House should not be trusted to with the Uncovenanted

Dated 5th June 1854 No. 643 Letter from Sec. to Govt. Financial Dept. 9th August 1821 Extract of a letter from the Coll. of Sea Customs to Bd. of Revenue dated 20th June 1845 Para 3.—

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Uncovenanted Officer Native, East Indian, or European.—

/Signed/ H. Ricketts
Commr. for the Revision of Civil Salaries and Establishments throughout India

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ W. E. Underwood
Collector

Encl. 7 No. 310

To
H. Ricketts Esquir
Commr. for the Revision of Civil Salaries and Establishment throughout India

Sir

Para 1 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 24th May 1856 No. 169 transmitting Copy of a communicating from the Collector of Sea Customs in Calcutta.—

2 I beg to annex three statements Corresponding with those in Para 5 of the Collector of Calcuttas letter from which you will observe that the tonnage has increased from /104,722/ one lac four thousand seven hundred and twenty two in 1855/56 to /429,659/ Four lacs twenty nine thousand and thousand sixe hundred and fifty nine in 1855/56 and the value of the Cargo /1,29,85,490/ one hundred and twenty nine lacs eighty five thousand four hundred and ninety, two /2,31,43,299/ two hundred and thirty one lacs forty three thousand, three hundred and ninty nine and the amount of duty from /4,03,280/ four lacs three thousand, two hundred and eighty to /709,776/ seven lacs, nine thousand and seven hundred and seventy sixe.—

amount

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Amount of Shipping

	Number of Ships			Tonnage		
	Number of Ships arrived	Number of Ships Departed	Total number of Ships	Import Tonnage	Export Tonnage	Total Tonnage
1835/36	128	160	288	52295	52427	104722
1840/41	118	137	255	59533	59493	119026
1845/46	199	222	421	121472	128367	249839
1850/51	246	247	493	149084	154549	303633
1855/56	291	289	580	213177	216482	429659

2 Value of Cargoes

	Value of Imports	Value of Exports	Total Value of Imports and Exports &c.
1835/36	5863948	7121542	12985490
1840/41	6994311	6479165	13473476
1845/46	8043649	7369008	15412657
1850/51	8520124	7310778	16021902
1855/56	13991310	9152089	23143399

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3 Amount of Duty Collected

	Amount of Duty Collected in Imports	Amount of Duty Collected in Exports	Port dues Extra Revenue &c.	Total Collections
1835/36	327559	48618	27102	403280
1840/41	297503	39394	18135	355033
1845/46	437643	451688	41331	930663
1850/51	386677	122031	45346	554055
1855/56	509862	158616	41297	709776

4 The Cost of the agency employed is as under

	Collector	Deputy Collector	Total
1835/36	34211	21811	56022
1840/41	31794	20365	52159
1845/46	39296	20848	60144
1850/51	36772	19586	56358
1855/56	40598	18000	58598

3 My letter to you of the 11th. Instant gives you full information respecting the Salaries so fixed and the order of the Court directing a fixed Salary to be given when the Office of the Collector of Sea Customs becomes vacated.—

4 The increase in the number of ships is 15 1/2 per Cent, the tonnage 75 1/2 per Cent, the value of the Cargo 44 per Cent and the duty Collected 83 per Cent with a Certainty of a large increase.

5 The extract from Mr. Blands letter will inform you of the increase to the duties of the Office suffice it to say they have far exceeded his estimate.—

The authorities have decided that the number of Servants and the amount of their Salaries cannot be reduced. The number of applications daily is for Imports 82 and Exports 58 total 140, and the duties are so onerous that it is as much as the

the two Officers can get through in exerting all their energies in fact so far from it being practicable for a reduction to be made in the number, an increase is required, and the increasing wants of the Port will soon render further aid essentially requesite.—

6 Respecting Official Correspondence it is as per Margin

7 The number of Bills issued is as per Margin.—

8 I will not occupy your time by further observations than to notice the duties to be performed at Madras are precisely those mentioned in by Mr. Young, and in fact they must be the same in all Custom Houses I shall enter more fully into this question in my reply to your letter dated 24th. June 1856.—

Signed/ W. E. Underwood
Collector
To

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Encl. No. 313

To

H. Ricketts Esquire

Commr. for the Revision of Civil Salaries and Establishment throughout India.

Sir

Para 1 I have had the honor to receive your communication dated 24th Ultimo, Respecting the Statement contained in your letter regarding the Collection of Revenue in Madras Calcutta and Bombay. I have the honor to state, that the last return of the Revenue of the other Presidencies transmitted to this Department gives the Revenue thus:—

Calcutta		Bombay	
1853/54	78,73,618	1853/54	27,20,644
Salt	36,56,357	Salt	24,51,579
Difference	42,17,261	Difference	3,269,062
1854/55	89,17,781	1854/55	59,52,294
Salt	41,60,343	Salt	24,78,736
Difference	47,57,438	Difference	34,73,559

2 I enclose a Statement shewing the quantity of Salt exported from Madras which

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which you will observe is credited in the Calcutta Revenue you will also observe that in Bombay the excise duty on salt is included in the Revenue of that Port the Revenue in Calcutta derived from salt imported from Madras is as follows:—

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Salt by Individuals 70000 I. Maunds at 3/4 Rupees per Maund } 227,500

Salt by Government 345,387 I. Maunds at 3/4 Rupees per Maund 122,532

Thus Rupees 349,032 of the Revenue of Calcutta is derived from Salt Imported from Madras, the excise duty on which we are prohibited from Collecting by act VI of 1844.—

3 . . . The Revenue of Madras if credited with the duty on salt would be Rupees Twelve Lacs, sixty thousand Six hundred and thirty not seven as you suppose however in 1853 Government imported for the use of the Town of Madras 12,000 Indian Maunds of Salt which Government ordered to be passed free and the excise duty leviable on Import by Sea amounting to Rs. 36,000

was

was credited to the Land Customs account.

	Private Indent			Government Indent
	Bassein	Calcutta	Total	Calcutta
	I. M	I. M	I. M	I. M.
Ennore	4,000	5,4,000	5,8000	3,18,013
Madras	5,200	16,000	21,200	27,074
Total	9,200	70,000	79,200	3,45,087

4 I enclose a Statement exhibiting the trade and Revenue for 25 years. The trade has increased from /82,37,771/ Eighty two Lacs thirty seven thousand nine hundred and seventy one to /2,44,19,471/ Two crore forty four Lacs nineteen thousand four hundred and seventy one or 296 per Cent. The Collection from /29,8,526/ Two Lacs ninety eight thousand five hundred and twenty six to 8,92,379. —

5 These facts will suffice to exhibit the increase in Trade in Revenue while the Salary has remained much the same and is to be revised on my vacating Office which under the despatch of the Honorable the Court will shortly occur. You

6 You will observe the increase to trade which may be said at this Presidency to be in its infancy, but to be advancing with rapid strides promises at no distant period to rival that of the sister Presidencies. I would respectfully observe that the question of an Uncovenanted head cannot be determined by the mere question of the Collection of duty, the amount of property Imported and Exported, the conflicting claims the constant references the variety of questions which arise will in my humble judgement render it requisite that an Officer of energy, Judgement and discretion and who commands the respect of the Merchant European and Native should always be at the head of the Department of Sea Customs. This will be obvious to you on reflection and I feel assured you will be satisfied that there is no Office below that of the governing authorities which more necessarily require

requires that the Officer to be Col=
=lector of Sea Customs should be ex=
carefully selected from the Covenanted
Officers This Opinion derives force ex=
from the observations of the Board
of Revenue in Calcutta and of the
Lieutenant General quoted in ex=
Mr. Youngs letter to you and trans=
=mitted with your letter to me dated
21st. May 1856 No. 163 and is as
follows "the Board upon the ex=
=pediency the necessity of nominating to
"the appointment an Officer possess=
=ing ability firmness and industry ex=
"and His Honor the Lieutenant Governor
"was pleased to observe that the Office
"of Collector of Customs is one in which
"besides industry and general ability
"a calm judgement a discriminating
"tact and much temper are essential
"qualifications"

7. I however refrain from ex=
further observation. I have replied
to your letter under directions from
Government

Government to answer any queries put by
you and I have accordingly done myself
the honor to address you but I purpose trans=
=mitting your letter in original to the Board
of Revenue together with copy of these obser=
=vations. That authority will either communi=
=cate with you or lay the letter before Govern=
=ment should they deem such a step requisite
I therefore respectfully solicit you will ex=
form no judgement on this question founded
upon any observations of mine. ——

8. I beg to refer you to Para 8
of my letter dated 26th. May 1856 No. 200
in which I noticed the recommendation
of the Calcutta finance Committee in
1828 respecting the transfer of duties from
the Land to the Sea Customs and the
abolition of the Office of Land Custom
Collector. The Offices were seperated in
1808. I enclose copy of the Order. ——

Rec'd 12th Nov. 1858

(Signed) W. E. Underwood
Collector Sea Customs

Statement

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Statement of Salt Exported from Madras.—

	Private Indent						1854	1855
	1854			1855				
	Calcutta	Sydney	Total	Calcutta	Bazein	Total	Calcutta	Calcutta
	S.M	S.M	S.M	S.M	S.M	S.M	S.M	S.M
Cuddalore	81130	4150	85280	54000	54000	58000	104400	318013
Madras	2750	..	2750	16000	5200	21200	11516	27074
Total	83880	4150	88030	70000	9200	79200	115960	345087

Sea Custom House
Madras 26th July 1856

(Signed) W. E. Underwood
Collector

True Copy
(Signed) W. E. Cochrane
Asst. Collr. of Sea Customs

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1854/55	12581916	6555932	19137848	4654331	115284	580717	37851	15000
1855/56.	15267382	9152089	24419471	55160	158616	709776	40598	18000

Duties thereon Ordered to lie over.— Commissary General 18202 (Signed) W. E. Underwood
179-180 Total 37851 Collr. of Sea Customs.—
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No. 154

To

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B. No. 2892

From the Collector of South Arcot

G. S. Forbes Esquire

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to forward the accompanying Statement of persons employed jointly in the discharge of Police and Revenue duties, who were dismissed in or 1853 and 1853, to complete the Return called for by Extract from the Proceedings of Board of Revenue dated 17th. May last.

No.

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No Return can be made for 1813, as Police and Revenue powers were not then vested in the same Officers.

South Arcot Collectors' Circuit Cutcherry Shaleatape 26th. July 1856

(Signed) A. Hall

Collector

Statement

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Order thereon. Ordered to lie over.

181-182 No. 86

To

G. I. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

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A after

Bd. No. 2226

Sir,

From the Offg. Agent to the Governor at Kurnool ---

Disputes arising continually between the inhabitants of Villages situated in different Talooks, whose wet Cultivation lies under the same channel involving a great loss of Valuable time from the presence of two Tahsildars being required on such occasions. I have the honor to request the Board will be pleased to sanction the transfer of the 2 Villages noted marginally from the Dhone (an already too extensive Talook for its efficient superintendence by one Thasildar) to the Nundicootcoor Talook from the Cumbah station of which they are not very distant this arrangement will I hope facilitate the speedy adjustment of these disputes.—

* 1 Roopulla { Nundicoot coor Talook
2 Nootumpully { Dhone Talook
3 Roodror { Talook

+ 1 Nootumpully
2 Roodror

Kurnool ----
Govt. Agents Office
11th August 1856 ---

/ Signed / J. G. Ruspell
Offg. Agent to the Governor

Bd. No. 2872

Resolution thereon

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Resolved that the Officiating agent be requested to state the area and revenue of these Villages and their distances from the present Cumbah Station, and from the Station to which it is proposed that they shall be transferred.—

To

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No. 249

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

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Bd. No. 3289

From the Collector of Tinnevelly---

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that a sum of Rupees 50 deposited by the Pris-ers in Case No. 11 of 1855 on the file of the Asst Magistrate Mr. Ames, on account of personal recognizances, in pursuance of the sentence passed by them, has been erroneously carried to the Head of "Extra Revenue" in the month of December last and as the said Prisoners request that the amount in question may now be returned to them, I request that you will be good enough to furnish me with the necessary sanction for the refund of Rupees 50 required.

Tinnevelly, Collrs Circuit Cutchery, Tencansey 18th August 1856. Bd. No. 2868.

/ Signed / J. Silver

Collector

Resolution thereon 185-186

Resolved that the foregoing be submitted for the Orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council with the Board's recommendation that Sanction be granted for the Refund of Rupees 50, being the amount deposited by the Prisoners in Case No. 11 of 1855 on the file of the

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the Assistant Magistrate on account of personal recognizances and which has been carried to the credit of Government under the head of "Extra Revenue."

No. 250

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

187

Bd. No. 3291

From the Collector of Tinnevelly----

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that a report having been received that 2 Bungoo beams were cut on the Vekeramasingapooram Hills in the Brummadasum Talook without permission the same was confiscated and sold by Public auction by order of the Sub Collector for Rupees 12-4-- and the amount taken to the credit of the Head of "Extra Revenue" and included in the Demand for April last. Now as that Officer recommends that half the sale amount or Rs 6-2-

my

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may be paid to the Informer, I request you will be good enough to furnish me with the necessary sanction for the payment of the same.—

I innevelly ------
Coll.rs Circuit Cutcherry
Tencansey 18th August—

/ Signed / J. Silver
Collector

Bd. No. 2863

Resolution thereon.

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Resolved that the foregoing letter be submitted for the Orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Coun.l with the Board's recommendation that sanction be granted for the paym.t of Rupees 6-2— to the Informer, through whose instrumentality two Cargo Beams were discovered to have been cut, without permission, in the Vellamasingapooram Hills in the Brummadasum Talook, being one half of the sum realized by the sale of the timber and which has been carried to the credit of Govern.t under the head of "Extra Revenue"

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No. 125

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Bd. No. 3259
From the Collector of Madras.

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

Sir

On communicating with Mr. Burton relative to his proposed contract to supply Boats for the conveyance of Export Salt sanctioned in Extract Minutes Consultation 17th June forwarded with Extract Boards Proceedings 19th idem that Gentleman declined entering into any conditions for the safe transit of the Salt, or making himself responsible for loss occasioned by the carelessness of the crew: alledging that his want of control over the Boatmen rendered him helpless in endeavouring to carry out any such stipulations.—

2. I had then to seek for another contractor, and Mr. Fonceca a Boat owner is willing, to engage in the contract, binding himself by such penal conditions as to satisfy the intentions of the Government.—

3. His rates are a little in advance of those proposed.—

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proposed by Mr. Burton, but as he engages to supply the requisite quantity of tarpaulins an expensive and perishable article and hitherto to some extent supplied by the Government, I would recommend that his proposal be accepted.

4. The following statement shews the escisting, Mr. Burtons and Mr. Fonceca's

Per 100 Indian Maunds.

	Escisting		As Mr. Burtons		Mr. Foncecas	
	Rs.	As.	Rs.	As.	Rs.	As.
Slip	2:	8 — 2	13:	11 — 2	11:	9
Sloop	1:	9 — 1:	12	9 — 1:	15:	9
the last being	15:	3:	7 and 16:	8:		5

per cent, and Mr. Burtons 15% in advance personal rates.

5 With reference to Para 3 of the Minu Consultation, I have made enquiries from the Master attendant and Beach authorities find that the hiring of a Godown is indispens The Salt must be brought down to the bea

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over night, for the Boatmen begin their labours at daybreak and if their cargo is not ready, they engage themselves in other work which is always available, and cannot be recovered for that day.—

6. I am offered a suitable Godown on the 1st Line Beach for 13 Rupees monthly, and I would beg permission to secure it.—

Madras. 22d August 1856.

/ signed / B. Cunliffe Collector

Bd. No. 2870. Resolution thereon.— Resolved that the letter recorded above be submitted for the information and orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation dated 17th June 1856 No 616.—

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	Boats	Mr Burtons	Mr Fonceca	8 per 100 Indian Maunds
Consulting Asst	2	8	10	2
Asst	1	9	0	1
Asst	1	9	0	1
	2	13	11	2
	1	12	9	1
	1	15	9	1

2. The collector reports that Mr. Burton has declined the contract for the supply of Boats for the shipment of Government Salt as he is unwilling to hold himself responsible for any loss that might be occasioned by the carelessness of the Boatmen in the transit of the Salt from the Beach to the shipping. But Mr Fonceca offers to enter an agreement at a trifle above Mr Burtons rates and to bind himself to such conditions as may be considered necessary. He also engages to furnish Tarpaulins to protect the Salt. Under these circumstances the Board support the collectors recommendation that sanction be granted for the acceptance of Mr Foncecas proposal.

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3. The Board also recommend that the collector may be authorised to rent a Godown on the 1st line Beach for 13 Rs per mensem for storing all export Salt. This measure it seems is indispensably necessary to facilitate the shipment of the Salt.—

4th The Board will address the Government on the subject of a branch rail from the Salt Platforms, on receiving a reply to a Communication they have made to the chief Engineer

/Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary

No 127.

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

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Bd No 3329

From the collector of Madras.

Sir

I have the honor now to reply

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reply to the Boards' Circular No. 2051 under date 11th August 1855 and their letter of the 2d instant, calling for a report as to whether the Tusdeek disbursements made in this Collectorate can be commuted into assignments of land of equal value, and whether the change would be agreeable to the people. The delay in my reply has been solely caused by the late date on which the answer of the Trustees of the Triplicane Pagoda reached me, though they have been repeatedly called upon to speedily communicate their wishes.

2. The ready money payments made to religious Institutions from this Office as particularized below.—

Triplicane Pagoda in lieu of former Quit Rent collection	Per annum	1050.

Veenateertha

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Veenateertha Pagoda at Errongoor: Drum in lieu of Salt Rufsoom	Per annum	8: 4 "
Pedawry Pagoda in Black Town in lieu of Salt Rufsoom		21 — "

3. The Trustees of these Pagodas prefer the present ready money payments to proportionate assignments in land though as the severance of the State from any connection with native Religious Institutions would be more complete if grants of land were made. I imagine that it is within the province of the Government to make such grants and discontinue the Tusdeek provided that the former were of such amount as would ensure, one year with another, the realization of the present endowment, together with expenses of collection.

4. The replies of the Trustees of the Triplicane Pagoda are herewith forwarded. It will be seen that in their first letter they urged the restoration to them of the Village of Triplicane alledging it to have been the former Shrotriem of the Temple.—

5. On my pointing out the inadmissibility of

of this request they express in their second letter their wish that the money payments should continue

6. This Office is also debited with the subjoined payments made by the Collector of Chingleput as the Pagodas are situated in his District.

Caulaty Petta Pagoda in lieu of certain fees from the abkarry Collections of Madras	per mensem 1050. —	
Triwamoor Pagoda Ditto	350 "	
Colatoor Pagoda Salt Rusoomo	8 "	

Madras 27th August 1856 } /Signed/ B. Lewin Cliffe Collector

No 2907

Order thereon — Ordered that the original letters received with the foregoing letter be returned to the Collector of Madras

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The Board resolve to forward copy of Mr. Lewin Cliffe's letter to the Collector of Chingleput with instructions

instructions to select lands of such value as may on a calculation of their average yield prove a fair equivalent for the money allowance which it is proposed to resume the proceeds of these lands should cover the expenses of collection as well as the amount of the Tus: Leek and it will be desirable to deter: mine the Selection in Communication with the trustees of the Pagodas as to leave no reasonable ground for Complaint either now or hereafter.

To

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No. 181.

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

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Bd No. 3379

From the Collector of Madura.

Sir

I have the honor to enclose an Advertisement for Sale of land in satisfaction of Public Revenue amounting to Rupees 8 " for publication in the Boards Office

Madura 27th September 1850

/Signed/ R. D. Parker
Collector

Statement

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Statement of the Lands to be sold.

Defaulters Name	Talook	Description of Land.	Fields	Contents	Assessment	Amount exclusive of arrears payable for current July 1265
				Acres	Fanams	Rupees Fanams
Name	Village	Wet	1	1	8	8 " 10
Sayah & Cooyah	Sayah & Cooyah	Nanjah	2	7	8	9
		Do	3	4		
Cazeylana Thevan	Madura	Nanjah	1	4½	8	8 " 10
	Solamalum	Sayah				

Madura 24th August 1850

/Signed/ R. D. Parker
Collector

True Copy

/Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary.

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No 2867
Order thereon.—
193-194.

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 the date of sale being altered to wednesday the 8th October next. Mr Parker will be pleased to make a corresponding Correction in the advertisement published in the District.

2. The Collectors attention is requested to the Boards C. O dated 9th April 1856 No 1083 directing that the time of sale be fixed six weeks from the day on which the letter is despatched

16135. Fort St. George 3d September 1856

No 182

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

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Bd No 3380
From the Collector of Nellore ...

Sir

I have the honor to forward for publication in the Boards Office the accompanying advertisement for the sale of land for arrears of Revenue and beg to solicit sanction for the sales.

Nellore
Collectors Office
28th August 1856

/ signed / F. B. Elton
Collector.

Bd No 2865
Proceedings
195-196.

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 Saturday the 12th October next being fixed for the day of sale.—

2. The Collector is requested to have future advertisements prepared in the Book Form

No 410

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

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Bd No 3381
From the Collector of Trichinopoly ...

Sir

I do myself the honor to transmit the prescribed

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prescribed Advertisement for the Sale of certain Lands of this District the property of Ryots in the Talook of Saulgoody who have failed to satisfy the Demand for arrears of Revenue due on account of Fuslies as per *Margin; and I solicit your Boards Sanction for the Sale taking place.—

*For Fusly 1263 Rupees 3-11-6
For Fusly 1264 " " 10
do do 1265 738-15-6
792-11-10

2. The arrear of the Fusly amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 792—11—10 is justly due by these proprietors who have shown no intention or inclination to make good the Government Demand notwithstanding the service upon them of the legal notice. I have therefore no other alternative than to let the Law take its course.

Trichinopoly. Collectors Office 28th August 1856 } /Signed/ I Bird Collector

Bd No 2866

Proceedings thereon. Under the circumstances stated in the foregoing letter. the Board of Revenue authorize the sale for arrears of revenue of the Lands alluded to and direct the publication in their Office of the advertisement forwarded by the Collector. Wednesday the 8th October next being fixed for the day of Sale.—

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No. 131.

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Official Memorandum

Bd No 3427

From the Collector of Madras } With reference to the Official Memorandum of the Secretary to the Board of Revenue dated 23d Ultimo, the Collector of Madras has the honor to forward Copies of the Correspondence which passed between the Collector of Chingleput, the Salt Superintendent, and himself on the subject of the removal of the inhabitants of Coorivee Modu Hamlet.—

Madras 1st September 1856 } /Signed/ B. Cunliffe Collector

No 97

To. H. Stokes Esqre Acting Collector of Madras

Sir I have the honor to enclose a Tamil Report No 57 dated the 29th April from the Acting Ameen bringing to notice that many of the Ryots of Vellore have been scared from manufacturing their Pans by the appearance of Cholera in the Coorivee Moadoo, a small Coopum in the immediate vicinity of the Pans two cases having terminated fatally on the 28th and two after that among those attacked.—This and the closing of the Bar and the daily decrease of water in the channels of that Division will also tend much to

to diminish the daily scrapings, but every available effort will be made to induce the Ryots to go on with their operations.—

Madras Cotaur 1st May 1856 } /Signed/ R. P. Campbell
No. 127 Superintendent of Salt

To

H. Stokes Esqre

Acting Collector of Madras

Sir

With reference to my letter of the 1st May I have the honor to enclose copy of a report from the Acting Ameen bringing to notice that the burning ground at Vulloor has not been removed as I thought, and that the continuance of the Cholera at the Coopum has caused much alarm both in the minds of the manufacturers, as well as the Peons of the Division, and for the protection of the large quantities of Salt remaining there. Grace 684—300 requesting that more Tibbauts may be sent.—

In my letter of the 19th April No. 82 permission was requested to employ 6 Peons, of which 4 in number was authorized in your Memo of the 20th and I now beg that I may be allowed to name the 2 others as originally.—

I beg also, with reference to the 20th of the Salt Rules, that an application be made

made to the Chingleput authorities to remove not only the burying ground, but also the Coopum as was intended by Mr. Maclean former Collector of Chingleput, both being too close to the Pans or that I may receive your orders to communicate with them for their removal.—

Madras Cotaur 11th May 1854 } PS /Signed/ R. P. Campbell
Supt. of Salt

Since this letter was drafted another report from the Acting Ameen of the 10th came to hand at 9 P.M. copy of which I beg to send and recommend that the resignation of Hungammy Peon Chinnien be accepted and Vurtha Rajah be nominated in his stead.—

To.

G. H. Ellis Esqre

Acting Collector of Chingleput

Sir.

In forwarding an Extract from a letter from the Superintendent of Salt dated 11th May, I have the honor to request that if there be no insuperable objection you will cause the removal of the burying ground and the Coopum both being too close to the Pans at Vullaor.—

Madras 15th May 1856 } /Signed/ H Stokes
Acting Collector.—

To

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No. 269

To

H. Stokes Esqre.

Acting Collector of Madras

Sir

I have the honor to enclose an Extract from a Tamil Report of the Ameen No. 179 of the 21st. Instant of 50 Mercals of Salt smuggled at Vellaar enquiring into which he is now proceeding with and promising an early report. The Rajah Rayana Rajahs post is within call of the Coolies lying by and I now hear from the Duffadar that the Peon has been suspected of trading smuggling a previous case and have therefore directed his suspension pending enquiry.—

Madras Cotaur
22d. August 1854

/ Signed / R. P. Campbell.

Superintendent of Salt

Memorandum

22d. August

With reference to his letter No. 269 the Superintendent of Salt will report the result of the further enquiry said to be pending—

Madras
24th. August 1856

/ Signed / H. Stokes

Acting Collector

To

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No. 275.

To

H. Stokes Esqre.

Acting Collector

of Madras

Sir

In accordance with the instructions contained in your Memo of yesterday

I have the honor to enclose the original report of the Ameen No. 184 of the 23d. Instant with its enclosures which has just reached me.—

The quantity of Salt smuggled in this case was 36 Mercals but it does not appear from the result of the enquiry made that the Hungamma

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Hungaumy Pean Ragana Rajah was implicated in carrying in the Smuggling and be suspended pending your orders From enquiries made personally by me. I find that footsteps were observed all along for 10 Cannies towards the Coorcone Mood Coopum and I have sent the Pean to you with this letter for any further explanation. However he has not given to me I would not give him back his Belt this season & consider his services dispensed with for the year

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from the date of his suspension and not appoint a substitute.

So long as the Coorcone Mood Coopum is allowed to continue in such close proximity to the Pans there will be room for constant pilfering.

As a further precaution against smuggling in the ensuing season, I personally proposed, as well as afterwards through the answers that a prickly pear hedge should be run on the west of all the Vullore Pans, and with reference to the accompanying copies of Tamil papers which has passed on the subject, I request permission to incur the charges by advances from the Circar to be recovered from the Coodevarums of next year.

Madras Cutcherry
25th August 1854

/Signed/ R. P. Campbell
Supt. of Salt

Memorandum

Reply to letter No. 275 dated 25th Instant from Superintendent of Salt the enclosures

enclosures are returned.

The Hungammy Peon Rogava Rojah will be dispensed with as proposed Para 4 is not clear. The Superintendent should quote dates of any former reference and if necessary will make a separate application stating the estimated cost of the proposed Fence and the grounds on which the Ryots should pay for it.

Madras
29th August 1852. } / Signed / H. Stokes
Acting Collector

No 3

To. H. Stokes Esqre.
Acting Collector of
Madras.

Sir.

With reference to the paper noted in the Margin I have the honor to bring again to notice that the burying ground, and Coopum have not been removed from the Vellore Pans, and that the one has a most prejudicial effect on the Manufacture as well as quality of the Salt, and the other is great incentive to Smuggling.

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+ To Mr Collr 1st May 1852
Do Do 11th Inst. No 97
Do Do 25th Augt No 275
Do Do 31st Octr No 205

Salt beg early orders to proceed with the Hedge of Prickly Pear around the Vellore Pans before the dry weather sets in and prevents the growth of the Hedge.

Madras Custom House
5th January 1855 } / Signed / R. P. Campbell
Supr of Salt

To. P. B. Smollett Esqre
Collector of Chingleput

Sir.

With reference to my letter of the 15th May last, I have the honor to annex a further Communication from the Superintendent of Salt and again to request your attention to the Subject of removing the Coopum and burial ground referred to if practicable.

5th January 1855

/ Signed / H. Stokes
Acting Collector

No 78.

Madras
19th January 1855 }

To. H. Stokes Esqre
Acting Collector of Madras.

Sir.

With reference to your letter of the 19th Ultimo I have the honor to inform you that I am not prepared to justify the removal of the Coopum therein referred to the inhabitants having now been settled there.

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there upwards of 60 years, and are paying an annual revenue to Government of Rupees 1000.

Measures will be adopted for removing the burial ground and providing another at a short distance.

/Signed/ C.J. Shubrick
Acting Collector

N° 70.

Enter Letter from Collector of Chingleput dated 26th Instant.

Forwarded to the Superintendent of Salt with reference to his letter of the 5th Ultimo.

Madras
28th February 1855

/Signed/ C.F. Chamier
Special Asst Collector

N° 111

To H Stokes Esqre.
Acting Coll. of Madras

Sir,

With reference to the letter from the Acting Collector of Chingleput dated the 26th February forwarded with Mr. Chamiers Memo N° 70 of the 28th Idem I have the honor to forward a Sanad

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Report from the ameen with its enclosure in reply to my enquiry as to what had been done about the removal of the Coopum and Burying ground at Vulloor since I was at the Pans for I was aware from intercourse with the Manufacturers Village Moonsiff and Vulloor Peschar that there would be no difficulty in their removal if a place were allotted in substitution of them.

The Vulloor Peschar having repeated orders from the Chingleput Hoozoor for their removal I am at a loss to conceive how the retention of the Coopum in its present site will secure the Revenue any better than if the site were closer to the Village

I feel justified in urging the removal of both in reference to Para 20th of the Salt Rules of the 23d December 1850 page 555 C.O. Book and am quite satisfied that it will in no way injure the Revenue as it is not intended that the parties should abandon their fields but remove westwards

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westward on them or adjacent to the Village where sites, are in abundance for their purpose.

Madras
Cotour
13th March 1855

/Signed/ R. P. Campbell
Supt of Salt

No 426

To B. Cunliff Esqre
Acting Collr of Madras

Sir,

I have the honor to report the loss at Vullore of 65 Marcals of salt near the Coorinee Mead in the Post of Hungummy Jeiw No 29 Andeapah Naick committed by 9 Smugglers on the night of the 1st instant of whom only one was taken the next day at Velur candapanKum a Village 6 miles off with only 4 Marcals of salt by 2 Hungummy Peons Nos 12 and 59 named Cosapettah Veerasammy and Merjoot Kristnen the remainder of the salt having as Stated by those peons been thrown into a Tank in the Village so Soon as they proceeded

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in Company with the Moonsiff to search the Village for the rest of the Salt.

The Neaunda of Vullore reported on the 2d that on the night of the 1st he had gone the rounds and that calls were returned by all as well as Hungammy Peon Adeapah that all was right but that the latter in the morning of the 2d reported that Smuggling had taken place. The manufacturers delaying to come before the 3d the Ameen did not come before that they in Company with them to see the extent of mischief done. Then it was found that 50 Marcals of Salt belonging to Tengaroya Gorrookul and 15 Marcals belonging to Moorooga pillay had been taken away leaving tracks of the Smugglers.

The Peon Adeapah Naick says he was very watchful, but it was a dark night and the place close to the Coorinee Mead, and that it must have taken place in the dark when he could not see. The two Hungammy Peons Cosapettah Veerasammy and Meenjoor Kristnen having received information

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information of the Smuggling soon after went in the direction of a place 5 or 6 miles off called Velancand Jean Kunn and seized and recovered 4 Marcals on the persons of two Smugglers named Vanthawan Permaul / one of whom Permaul escaped but they handed over the other to the village Moonsiff the latter with the Peons searched the entire Parcherry for more salt but found none and the Peons state that a Tank in the Village having been destroyed by a large quantity of salt being thrown into it they are under the impression that the rest of the salt must have been thrown into it during the search presented by the Moonsiff

From information given by the Prisoner it would appear that he No 1 with his uncle 2 Permaul and others named.

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7 Paliatham
8 Hunnen
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each with a Bag proceeded from Velan cand Jean Kunn to Coorvee Moad and stopped there at night on the 1st and Smuggled the salt during the night and left early in the morning of the 2d for their Village each having taken the Bag to his own house at Velancand Jean Kunn but that information reached them of Two Peons having followed and having traced them to the village when Permaul and himself took up their portion and were proceeding to a place further on called Colavoy but were seized.

From the Ameens report it would also appear that when parties at the Coorvee Moad who it is suspected had connived with the Smugglers had heard that Two Peons had traced and taken some of the salt they absconded. This information was given to him by Manufacturers, the names of the suspected parties are 1 Coongan la Kothen and 2, an old offender and Smuggler, named Cewal Veerasamy and it has been ascertained that they received money to admit the men into their houses, and to take the salt

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but that they had fled away to Semmenjery. The ameen states that if the houses at the Coorvee Mead were as far away from the Pans as other Villages, there would be no room for such practice on so large a scale.

It will be seen that the Peons were all at their posts that night, that the Nesindr went the rounds, and received word that all was well, and that there was every precaution in our power taken to prevent an occurrence of smuggling on so large a scale but it cannot be expected of our Peons to be awake and vigilant throughout the day as well at night and the proximity of the Coorvee Mead gives Smugglers the advantage of at once detecting a Peon nodding over his guard, and pouncing upon the Pans for the salt for which they have been lying in wait at a moment, and leaving it again with little or no trace.

To Abstl 11th May 1854 N°127 Para 3.
To Do 25th August 1854 N°275 Para 3.

Repeated remonstrances for the removal of the Coorvee Mead having been made by me, without effecting the desired object, I beg not only again now to urge the removal, but to enforce the attainment of this object. I see no difficulty to its immediate

Note
The Revenue from Vellore may be reckoned at 1000 Rs and the profits to Ryots by grain cultivation at half that sum. The Salt revenue from Vellore may be reckoned at Rs 29308 and the manufacturers share at Rs 25894
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immediate transfer and urge that its existence in the present locality can in no way affect the Chingleput Land Revenue, as has been most absurdly supposed, for this must be evident to any person who visits the locality.

When Vellore formed a part of the Chingleput Pans, its removal was advocated by the Vellore Peshcar, and ordered by the Collector of Chingleput Mr Maclean, but the order was stayed by influential Heads of the Poozoor at that period During Mr Cochranes administration of Chingleput the Peons, in my presence not only expressed their readiness to quit but also selected another site with the cognizance of the village Monsiff Chennappah Seravodya a Modelly who felt the necessity for the removal of it, and was anxious to do all he could to keep the village under him, in peace and quietness which never can reign in it if permitted to stand where it now does

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does. The late Vulloor Peishcar Anantharay Pillay repeatedly assured me he felt and experienced the necessity for its removal, and that Mr. Cockrane when Collector of Chingleput had ordered its removal and the Mungar Tahseldar Parthasarady Iyengar said that if an order reached him it would be immediately carried out.

The course I have now determined upon, and the remedy, after all other means fail is to withhold permission to the owners of the huts in the Coorree Mead from manufacturing the Pans now registered in their names, or from transferring them to others, or shipping any salt they may have and if after a given time, they do not remove their huts I purpose removing their names from my Putta Kuttu. I have given warning in a Tamil Istearwanah, a copy of which I submit for your information

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I beg to recommend the dismissal of Mungaumy Peon No 49 Adiarpak Parish in whose post the Smuggling took place, and beg to name Changleroy as his substitute.

Maoras Cotaut 6th October 1855 } Signed / R. P. Campbell Supt of Salt

No 261

Read letter from Superintendent of Salt dated 6th October 1855.

It is to be hoped that the threat of preventing future manufacture will accomplish the removal of the Villages but it would be hard not to stop the salt already made.

If the Superintendent thinks that the Peon exercised all ordinary vigilance the fact of the theft itself need not cause his dismissal

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dismissal but the matter is left in the Superintendents hands.

Madras
11th October 1855 } /Signed/ B. Cunliffe
Acting Collector

Memorandum

The Superintendent of Salt is requested to state if he has it in contemplation to remove the village of Cooraweedoo, and if so, to mention the steps taken for that purpose.

Madras
11th December 1855 } /Signed/ B. Cunliffe
Acting Collector

To

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No. 502

To B. Cunliffe Esqre
Acting Collector of Madras

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Mems of the 11th Instant calling upon me to state if it is my intention to remove the huts forming the Cooriwee Moad in proximity to our Pans, and, if so, to state the steps taken for that purpose.

In reply, I beg to refer to my letter of the 6th October No. 426, stating that, having failed to get the Cooriwee Moad removed after repeated remonstrances, I would now enforce the attainment of this object, by allowing a fixed date for its removal, then withholding permission to the owners of huts from manufacturing the Pans now registered in their names, or from transferring them to other, or shipping any Salt they may have, and removing their names from my Puttahs &c. I also stated that I had given them warning of such intention and submitted copy of the Istiharnamah published by beat of Tomtom. To this letter, I received your reply No. 261 of the 11th October, expressing a hope that my threats would accomplish the removal of the Coopum, but that it would be hard not to ship the Salt of the men, if already manufactured.

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To Ameen 8th October No. 368

The Ameen was then furnished with instructions and called upon by me for a List of their names, the number of pans belonging to each, and to append the names to a copy of the Istiarnamah, and to proclaim it by beat of Tomtom at the Coorince Moad, which he did on the 16th having affixed 36 names of the parties addressed in that Notification which with their holdings, I enter marginally for easy reference.

On the 17th October the Ameen in Urzee No. 311, reported that he had published it, and all of the manufacturers at Coorince Moad were willing to quit some for Attiput, some for Sadayen Coopum, some for Vellivoil Chavady &c but wanted time till the 21st Karthee which was considered a propitious day for removing, and that this time they thought they would go. That night the Ameen set out for Chunamcoday and returned 7 days after.

On the 24th October I published an Istiar for permitting Maravar work for the ensuing season, at all the Divisions from which the Salt of the present year had been removed, and particularly pointed out then to the Ameen, Takeed 24th November, that such of

of the Coorince Moad people as removed by 21st Karthee, might also begin Maravar work, but not otherwise. From the 26th November to 6th December 1856 the Ameen had leave as his wife had died.

Meanwhile on the 27th November Ranga pillay who acted for the Ameen was ordered, if Boats for removing Salt belonging to the Coorince Moad people were asked for, he should comply with such applications provided the Applicant would get others to stand security for removing his Salt by the date fixed by themselves namely the 21st Karthee. He on the 30th November in Urzee No. 379 reported that the Istiar sent with Takeed of 24th November had been proclaimed, and that Appavoo pillay formerly Rungany Deputy Peishcar who had been sent by me to complete his plan of Vallore met him, and a few of the manufacturers wanted the latter to fix a spot, for them to remove, which was close by their huts, and not the spot they had last year pointed out to me.

On the 8th December in Urzee No. 387 Ranga pillay again wrote that the period for removing their huts, fixed by themselves, namely the 21st Karthee had expired on the 5th December, and the Coorince Moad still stood, but that the men had stated their intention of leaving in 4 or 5 days for Vellavoil Chavady.

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On the 11th. December order was issued to the Ameen, in Taked No. 474, that such parties as had stood security for the removal of any huts should be called upon to pay here 20 Rupees as Deposit, and that he should furnish a List of all parties, in order that I might deduct it out of their Coodemarum and remit it to the Hoozoor. On the 8th. December the Shroff and Nesinda were warned to remind me when Coodemarum was to be paid to withhold it to Coorince Moad Ryots as I no longer looked upon them as Manufacturers, and the sums due to them were to be remitted to the Hoozoor, for you to disburse, or not, as you might deem proper. On the 10th. one Chunnekee Narrain Reddy obtained his receipts from the Nesinda, and, after examining and signing them, when I went to distribute the money, I recognized him as one of the Coorince Moad men, and desired the Shroff therefore, as his receipts had been signed for payment and the money just counting, to put the amount in deposit for 3 days. I told the man that, if at the expiration of that period he would either remove his hut, or give me security for removing it, the money would be forthcoming. If not it would be remitted to you, to do what you think fit with it.

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On stepping into my conveyance that evening he again asked for the money, and I pointed out to him that all I wanted was security from plunder for the ensuing season, that the money was his, but that the Circar had a right to see that their interests were protected, and if he had any claim to bring subsequent to removal, they would consider it. He then said a Petition was before the Board and yourself, and that if the sum of 200 Rupees paid to the Ameen by the Coorince Moad people were returned, they would leave, otherwise they would not.

This was the 2d. intimation of this report, I having heard a rumour a previous day, and on questioning him further on the matter, I found it necessary to step back into Cutchery to take his Deposition, which I completed at half past 7, and not having time to wait to see him execute it, my Native Deputy saw it signed, and gave it to me next morning. The amount held in Deposit by Chinnakee Narrain Reddy is herewith sent, with copy of his Deposition, regarding which enquiry is instituting.

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The impression here as well as at the Pans is that the Coorinee Moad people, failing to induce our Ameen (who has been all along most strenuous in opposing their remaining on that spot) and the Tillage Moonsiff, to cease pressing the removal of the Moad, have got up a case which they are determined shall cause the down fall of these two Officers, and, in this, have had aid from Chenglerey Moodelly, another most litigious and troublesome character.

Madras Cutcherry
15th December 1855

(Signed) A. P. Campbell
Supt of Salt

P.S. Appavoo Pillay will wait at the Hoozoor on Monday morning with the Plan of the Tullaor Pans in which the Coorinee Moad will be inserted

No. 504

To B. Cunliffe Esqre
Acting Collector of
Madras

Sir,

In continuation of para 10 of

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of my letter of the 15th Instant No. 502 I have the honor to submit what has subsequently transpired in the enquiry instituted by me into the allegations against the Ameen contained in the Deposition from Chinnekee Narrain Reddy and am in hopes when I can lay hands on certain original papers to lay further facts before you that may elucidate the truth.

To Board 3d. January 1856.

On taking the Deposition of Chinnekee Narrain Reddy a List of the Pans and Nesinda of Tullaor was made out and the Deputy Peishcar and Ameen were furnished with copies of Istiar No. 28 to be proclaimed by beat of Tomtom, were directed to send such of the Pans Nos as in the list as had been at the Pans of Tullaor about the close of the manufacture of 1854, to enable me to be satisfied whether they were cognizant of the alleged unauthorized collections being obtained by the Ameen

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Such of these Peons and Sesinds as were at the Pass came on the 15th and deposed before me and those at the Madras Cutcherry as well as now elsewhere employed gave evidence before me on the 17th Instant

†are herewith sent

copies of the Istiarnamah No. 28 of the Deputy Peishcar's urzee stating that its contents had been duly proclaimed by him, and a deposition before him from two of the Coorumbar people, the others having been prevented from coming forward to give their depositions by Pulla Boya Narsimbo and others, who stated they would not recognize any enquiry except that pending before

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before the collector.—

In his defence not on the charges in the Petition before you of which I am unacquainted and therefore cannot be said to be making enquiry upon but in that contained in the deposition of Chenkee Narrain Reddy the Salt Ameen, on the 11th Instant, states that the Istiar was duly published in the five Villages forming my charge before the Deputy Peishcar Amaldar Sawmy Pillay whom I had associated with him for the purpose. The Ameen declares that the matter of the Complaint does not refer to the Madras but to the Chingleput Circar. that because the Madras authorities have refused the removal of the moad the complaint has been contrived and that this can be proved by him as follows.—

1st In the month of Karthee of 1854 no Communication or letter, or order, either from the Chingleput or from the Madras Salt Servants with or to the Coorumbar Moad people took place, but subsequent

× Original is here with sent with enclosures to be returned when no longer required.—

This has been verified by reference to my Diary.

subsequent thereto when the Superintendent of Salt in person in January met Annunthary Pillay the Vellore Division Police Ameen he questioned him as to the propriety of the road and Burning ground. who replied that he would at once have them removed on an order from the magistrate of Chingleput.—

2dly Intimation reached the Salt Ameen subsequent to this that on a reference from the Superintendent to Mr. Stokes. the latter had written to the Chingleput Magistrate to have both removed and a Takeed had been issued to Annunthary Pillay.—

I admit this having been stated to me at the Pains by both Ameens.—

3dly In February under order of the Superintendent of Salt. the Salt Ameen on the 28th wrote to Annunthary Pillay the Vellore Division Police Ameen to know what steps he had taken to give effect to the Takeed from the chingleput Magistrate and requested an answer. but received none. though he learnt that the Police Ameen had succeeded in obtaining a written Rayeenamah from the Coorvee road people for removing to a place called Cullay road Heddy within sight of Coorvee road. and had obtained another

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This is the story I heard in July. 1855 from the Rayer Tahsildar and Vellore Division Police Ameen

another written Rayeenamah of the Granatars to the appropriation of the ground to be newly taken, and had reported to Mr. Shubrick, submitting all the original documents.—

4thly On the 5th March. under a Takeed from the Superintendent of Salt, the Salt Ameen called upon the Police Division Ameen, to give him some answer, whether any order from the magistrate had reached him from the Hoozoor regarding the removal of the huts and Buring ground. what was the order and when he intended to have the two removed.—

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5thly On the 9th March the Police Division Ameen wrote to say that he had received a Hoozoor order to remove both and he would report to the Salt Ameen when he had succeeded in removing them, and the original letter from the Police Division Ameen was sent to the Superintendent of Salt in Salt Ameens Arzee of the 10th March 1856.—

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The original has been verified and is with me.—

6thly On the 30th March the Police Division Ameen wrote to the Salt Ameen to say that his previous letter of the 9th March was.

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was incorrect, that the order of the Chinglepet Magistrate copy of which the Salt Ameen took from him was for removal of the burning ground and not for the Cooriwee Moad and that this circumstance was reported to the Superintendent of Salt, when he visited the Pans in April.

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I admit that the original papers were read to me early in April when at the Pans.

7thly As therefore no enquiry had been undertaken by the Salt Ameen no measure adopted by him in person for the people removing huts but all proposals went direct from the Vulloor Division Police Ameen and the Chinglepet Moozoor to the men, there were /the Salt Ameen urges/ no grounds to seek to influence him then by means of a bribe for what the Chinglepet Magistrate was to decide, who could not be influenced by the Salt Ameens opinions at all.

The Ameen next proceeds in his defence to prove by the previous characters given by the Cooriwee Moad people themselves aswell as by a large number of other manufacturers from whom Stock down Signatures, when paying them Coodewaram from time to time that never heard of nor knew of bribes being offered by any one at the Pans to the ameen or being received by

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by him which document I gave the Ameen in token of the test his character had undergone during his service under me.

He also points out that two of the parties who have been named as principals in the false complaint now brought against him, and who are named Pullaboye Narsimloo Arava Rayava Reddy in the month of June on the 11th and 15th came openly and before 15 or 20 of the principal manufacturers, then sitting with the Ameen declared that they had been sent for by Emparoomanar and Krishnasawmy to frame false complaints against the ameen which they declined and that the Ameen reported the circumstances in Nurzees Nos 199 and 201 to the Superintendent of Salt.

This is true and I joined an Istiar to the parties named by them two assembling their Servicees to get up petitions These latter called and assured me that such was never contemplated by them and the two men had falsely stated they were to be so employed.

He likewise notices the many opportunities given by me for enquiry into his conduct and the inducement given to the Cooriwee Moad people as well as others to bring forward this charge or another for investigation and of the former failing /when giving Security for removing and when they promised to quit both early as well as

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as recently in 1855 / to make any mention of such allegations as have been deposed to by Chinneke Narrain Reddy.-

Under these circumstances I deem it but right to submit my opinion that the charge contained in the Deposition from Chinneke Narrain Reddy should be received with much caution associated as he is with persons of no character such as Pullaboye Nursimlos of whom mention is herein made.-

Madras Cotaur 17th December 1855

/ Signed / R. P Campbell
Superintendent of Salt

No 96.

To.
B. Ewcliffe Esqre
Collector of Madras.-

Sir

With reference to the papers noted in the margin × I have the honor to submit an application to me from the manufacturers and others dwelling in the Coorince Road in our Vellore Division of the Paus offering to remove their dwellings elsewhere to a greater distance from the Paus upon the Circar reimbursing them for the loss of a well which they now have there. and allowing each of them a small advance for the requisite outlay

To Agt Coll. 1st May 57, No 97
" " " No 127
" " 22 Augt No 266
To Do 21st Do
To Do 25th " No 345
To Do 29th "
To Do 5th Janry 56 No 3
To Do 28th July " 70
To Coll. of Chingleput on the 26th July 1855
To Agt Coll. 13th March
" " 6th Oct. No 111
" " 6th Oct. No 126
To Do 11th Oct. No 261
" " 11 Decr 55
To Do 15th " No 502
" " 17th " No 504
To Do 19th Janry 56
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To Do 21st Do No 23
To Do 5th July No 12.

outlay to erect their new dwellings.-

I beg to enclose two Lists one Signed by the 33 Villagers who possess Paus Offering to pay from their Coodewarum the Sum placed opposite their respective names and amounting to Rupees 137 and the other List of 30 Villagers, who have no Paus but who have given Security in our Manufacturers for in like manner repaying the amount of Rupees 56 from the first payment of their Coodevarum.

Having already repeatedly shown the necessity for the removal of this Coopum I trust that the attainment of this object will at once be authorized by advances Repayable to the extent of Rupees 193 and for the Construction of a well at Circar Cost at an outlay of Rupees 100 the existing well at Coorince Road reverting to the Circar to whose Peons in that locality it will be of much utility.

Madras Cotaur 21th March 1856

/ Signed / R P Campbell
Supt of Salt.

/True Copies/

/Signed/ B Lewtliffe
Collector

Ordered that the following Official Memo: be sent.—

199-200.

Official Memo:

Bd No 2869
To the Secretary to Government.

With reference to his Memo. dated 23d August 1856 No 2695 the Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to forward to the Secretary to Government Revenue Department the accompanying Memo. and its Enclosure from the Collector of Madras containing the correspondence on the subject of the removal of the Cooroovee Madu Hamlet.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
3d September 1856.

/Signed/ G. I. Forbes
Secretary

Resolved that the following letter be despatched.—

To
Chief Engineer

201
Bd No 2896
To Chief Engineer
To Messrs De la Rue & Co 26th Feby 1856
To D. 25th Augt inb 26th June "
D. 23d June inb 29th July "
D. 21st July inb 21st Augt "

Sir

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to forward for your perusal the correspondence noted in the Margin with the Specimens of Drawing paper submitted by Messrs De la Rue & Co and to request that you will favor them with your opinion as to their fitness for employment in the preparation of the Maps Field books and Registers of Survey operations. You are aware that for this purpose it is the wish of the Board to procure paper prepared in such a manner and of such material as will secure it from the attacks of insects and be less liable to decay than that at present used.—

202
Bd No 3114
From Tanjore

Read Statement of Extra Tent allowance of Sub Collectors &c of the Tanjore District for the Month of July 1856.—

202-203
Order thereon.—

Ordered to be transferred to the Civil auditor.

204
Bd No 3301
From Tanjore

Read forwarding List of the Tamil names of Villages in the Parellum Talook.

Order thereon.
204-205.

Ordered to be forwarded to the Chief Engineer

D. P. W.

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Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous

206 Letters and statements
My No 2045
From the Ag Collector of Tanjore. Comparative Statement

207 shewing the demand for Fuslies 1264 & 1265
My No 2042
From Tanjore. Comparative Statement shewing the collection

208 in Fuslies 1265/66 upto July 1856.
My No 2044
From the Collector of Tanjore. Register of the Station

209 Cavary at the amount for July 1855/56
My No 2043
From the Collector of Tanjore. Account Current

210 Grain and Memo of Tyen cultivation for July
My No 2040
From the Collector of Tanjore. Register of Petitions

referred to by the Board of Revenue for disposal

211 by the Collector of July 1856.
My No 2039
From the Collector of Madura. Account Current of Salt for July

212
My No 2038
From the Collector of Canara. Account Current of Salt for July

213
My No 2041
From the Collector of Madras. Requesting to furnish this

Office with a further supply of 1000 Salt Rowanies

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Thursday the 4th September 1856

Read the following Papers

214
Bd No 3371
From the Chief Secy to Government

No 271
Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Public Department under date 28th August 1856.

The Government sanction the payment of Rupees 12—14—. Twelve and annas fourteen made by the Collector of Coimbatore as Compensation for trees cut down in the line for the Railway during the 2d quarter of 1856.

/signed/ T. Bycroft
Chief Secretary

214-215
Bd No 2879
Order thereon. Ordered to be forwarded to the Collector of Coimbatore for information and guidance

216
Bd No 3386
From the Secretary to Government.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 30th August 1856.

Referring to the Board for report a Memorial from the Nikah widow of the late Syed Mohomed Khan Bahadoor a grand Son of the late Nabob of Cuddapah . . . . /see No 916 in separate Volume/ P. 121

216-217
Bd No 2887
Order thereon Ordered to be forwarded to the Collector of Cuddapah for early report.

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Memo. of the Cost of Lithographing Sixteen Village Maps as particularized below.

Village of Vellapooranthoray	Revenue map	15 X 12	inches for 50 copies including paper	Rs.	21	"	"
" Neiingum	"	15 X 9	"	"	11	"	"
" Do.	Topogl. map	15 X 9	"	"	12	"	"
" Govindanellore	"	15 X 12	"	"	11	"	"
" Do.	Revenue map	12 X 9	"	"	16	"	"
" Andee Pollium	"	18 X 15	"	"	26	"	"
" Do.	Topogl. map	18 X 15	"	"	26	"	"
" Civil Nachiarpettah	"	24 X 9	"	"	22	"	"
" Do.	Revenue map	24 X 9	"	"	13	"	"
" Vellakalaun	Topogl. map	15 X 9	"	"	12	"	"
" Do.	Revenue map	12 X 10	"	"	13	"	"
" Mamangalum	"	18 X 12	"	"	15	"	"
" Do.	Topogl. map	18 X 12	"	"	20	"	"
" Kondapooram	Revenue map	30 X 19	"	"	35	"	"
" Kolathancoorchy	"	18 X 15	"	"	20	"	"
" Kondapooram Kulpathu	"	21 X 18	"	"	25	"	"
						"	"
			Total for 50 copies including paper	Rs.	298	"	"
			add the cost of paper for 50 more copies		32	"	"
			Total for 100 Copies including Paper	Rs.	330	"	"

Government Lithograph. Press Central Office of Public Works
Fort St. George 1st April 1856. . . .

/ signed / C. E. Faber Colonel
Chief Engineer D. P. W.

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Ordered that the following letter be sent.

To

The Collector of

South Arcot

218-219

Bd. No. 2912

Sir.

To the Collector of South Arcot

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that you will ascertain and report as early as possible whether the heads of Villages curnums, and substantial Ryots are willing to purchase copies of the maps of their respective Villages if so, the number of copies required for each Village as well as for distribution among the district and Talook Officers and the number of spare copies it will be necessary to keep in order that they may be corrected as cultivation extends in each Village and the area of waste or other lands is contracted.

2. As the cost for Lithographing these maps will be borne by Government it is desirable that it should be reduced as far as possible by extensive sales. adverting to Colonel Faber's estimate of the cost for striking off 100 copies you will after consulting with Captain Priestly report whether you consider it

Dated 1st April in Cons 4th Sept 1856 No. 1680.

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it would be best upon the whole to lithograph the maps at Madras or under Captain Priestlys supervision mentioning the price you would charge for each copy and the mode in which it is proposed to exhibit new cultivation in these maps.

3. To induce the proprietors of lands to supply themselves with copies you will be good enough to explain to them the value of the maps as title deeds and the importance which should be attached to them in the transfer of land from one party to another as well as in the settlement of boundary disputes.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
4th September 1856

/signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary

Read again Letter from the Officiating agent at Kurnool dated 25th April and entered in Consultation 5th May 1856.

220.

Bd. No. 2927

Resolution thereon.— Resolved that the agent be requested to state whether any and what changes in or additions to his present Establishment may

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may be necessary for giving effect to his propositions contained in the foregoing letter and also to supply the information indicated in the subjoined form.

Talooks in which changes are proposed	No. of Villages at present	Population	area in square miles	Revenue of Fusly 1263

N. B. The same information is required for each Village proposed to be transferred from Kurnool.

2 It is further resolved that the Collectors of Cuddapah and Bellary be called upon to report upon the transfer proposed so far as they are severally concerned in them.

Ordered also that the following letter be sent.

220-221.

Bd No 2928.

To the Collectors. Cuddapah & Bellary

To. The Collector of Cuddapah

Sir With reference to the Circular orders of the Board of Revenue dated 6th December 1855. relative to

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Dated 25th April in Cons 3d May 56 No 749

to alterations in the boundaries of Talooks and Districts I am desired to forward an Extract from a Statement transmitted by the agent at Kurnool proposing to transfer

*Say 23 Villages in the letter to Bellary and omit the words enclosed by pencil lines.

*40 Villages from your District to his own and 5 Villages from his to your District and request that you will state whether there are any objections to the transfer and in the event of there being none that you will supply at an early date the information indicated in the subjoined Form for Submission to Government.

Talooks in which changes are proposed	No. of Villages at present	Population	area in square miles	Revenue of Fusly 1263

N. B. The same information is required for each Village proposed to be transferred from Cuddapah for Bellary as the case may be.

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Fort St. George
4th September 1856

/ signed / G. S. Forbes
Secretary

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Atty No 1699

From the Collector of Coimbatore. Read Indent for cloth for Canvas Bells.

Ordered

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Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.—

(222-223)

To The Collector of Coimbatore

Bd. No. 2880
To the Collector of Coimbatore
× dated 5th July 1856 transferred to the Office from the Military Board under date the 18th July 1856. Subsq. 24th July 1856.—

Sir

With reference to the Indent for cloth for Belts for the Peons of the Establishment of the Joint Magistrate of Cotacamund I am directed to acquaint you that the Government have delegated to the Board of Revenue the duty of disposing of such requisitions and that your application will be attended to in due course.—

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
4th September 1856

/signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary

Read the following Papers

No. 91

(224)

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

Bd. No. 2913.
From the Collector of Canara . . .

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 18th Instant I have the honor to state for the information of the Board that

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that the buildings at Mangalore, Buntwal, Pane Mangalore and Cajergode, which I proposed to place at the disposal of merchants importing Bombay Salt, are Cotaurs now occupied by that article imported by Government.—

The space available at each place was entered marginally in my letter of the 4th Instant.—

× No. of Cotaurs | Quantity Storeable
Mangalore 1 | 300 Garces
Buntwal 3 | 675 "
Pane Mangalore 1 | 100 "
Cajergodde 1 | 50 "
1125 "

3. With reference to para 2 of your letter under reply I would beg to observe that my predecessor in his letter dated 27th October 1854, contemplated only the introduction of Goa Salt, and proposed that the merchants should provide themselves with ware house room, because at Mullapoor on the Black river, there are no Government buildings available, and those at Kutgal contain Government salt the produce of this District.—

4. At the places at which Bombay Salt would be bonded, Government have already provided store rooms for that article as well as for Canara Salt, and if they no longer import it, the empty Cotaurs can be placed at the disposal of the merchants who may desire.—

5. With reference to the very low charge made for Godown rent, I have the honor to state that I purposely reduced it to the lowest point which would pay interest on

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or the Capital invested in the erection of the building and cover esepences of annual repairs, as I wished that every encouragement should be given to importers, but I must observe at the same time, that rent would be charged for each Cotaur according to its capacity without reference to the quantity of Salt stored, and that during the monsoon little Bombay Salt is sold, though it must be kept in store during that season, and the accommodation paid for accordingly.—

Collectors Cutcherry.
Mangalore 21st July 1856 } /Signed/ W. Fisher
Collector

Bd No. 2889
Proceedings thereon:—
(224-225)

The Board observe that the Collector proposes to charge rent for each of the Cotaurs to be placed at the disposal of Merchants importing Bombay Salt according to its capacity and not according to the quantity of Salt stored. This plan the Board are of opinion would be attended with much inconvenience for if several persons bound Salt the adjustment of the Sum to be paid by each will be intricate, and if the Collector intends giving our a Cotaur to a single Merchant this would give him the advantage of a monopoly. The Board therefore request further information respecting the Collectors scheme for renting the buildings. It occurs to the Board that the best arrangement for the present would be to divide the Cotaurs into

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into Compartments, fixing a certain rent for each, but when a private trade is established, it will be advisable in the Board's opinion for Government to dispose of these Cotaurs and leave individual enterprize to supply fit places for bonding Salt.—

No 165

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

(226)

Bd No. 3131,
From the Collector
of South Arcot. . .

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for the information of the Board of Revenue a Return of the work performed by the Survey Establishment under Captain Priestly during the month of July last.

South Arcot. . . . . .
Collectors Circuit Cutcherry
Palamcottah 9th August 1856 } /signed/ A. Hall
Collector

Return

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No. 123

To G. L. Forbes Esqr.
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.

(220)

3d No. 3104
From the Collector
of Madras — 31

Sir

In Compliance with the Superintendent of Police I have visited the spot alluded to in the Reverend J. Bilderbeck's letter to Government under date 3d July forwarded to me with Extract Board's Proceedings 21st July No. 2316.

2 The ground outside the Northern wall of Town in the vicinity of that referred to by Mr. Bilderbeck appears for a long period to have been used as a place of Sepulture for the people of all persuations.

3 The Superintendent of Police has taken I think a valid objection to any future interments in that quarter, for the plain is sandy, and the surface water, her states, drains through it to the Seven Wells, from whence is procured the drinking water of as many of the residents of Madras.

4 Colonel Boulderson pointed out a space outside the Wall, and opposite Choultry at a little distance from the Maneger choultry, which

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Return of works performed in Chellumbrum for the Month of July 1856.

Circuits.	Main Circuits for Single or Cultivation	No of Village Minor Circuits Completed by Queens	No of Villages Completed by Queens	Remarks.
Chain	1 of 185	28.	3	Coverdue of this Village of 1000 Cowries has been re-measured.
Circuits	1 of 3			

Survey Office
Camp Sirmanore
1st August 1856

/ Signed / J. B. Priestly
Superintendent of Revenue Survey

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which formerly a mass of rubbish, is now being levelled, and which is well suited for the burial ground not only of Mr. Bilderbeck's Congregation, but that of any other Society who had been in the habit of using the ground outside the Northern Wall of Town as a Cemetery.

5 The rubbish heap when cleared and levelled will give between 4 and 5 Cawnies of land, and Mr. Bilderbeck, who quite agrees in the fitness of this spot for his purpose, will be thankful if Government will grant him one Cawney of it free of quitrent, as a burial ground attached to the Church Missionary Society.

6 He will throw a low wall around it, and I would advise that I be directed to make it over to him.

Madras
11th August 1850.

(Signed) O. B. Cunliffe
Collector

13th No. 2893
Resolution thereon
228-229

Resolved that the letter above recorded be Submitted for the information, and orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation

in the Ecclesiastical Department dated 17th July 1850 No. 278.

In Cons. 24th July 1850.

2. The Collector reports that the land outside the Southern wall of Black Town in the vicinity of that alluded to by the Reverend Mr. Bilderbeck has been for a long period used as a burial place for people of all persuasions. The Superintendent of Police who visited the Spot with the Collector objects to the Ground being appropriated to this purpose, as he is of opinion from the Sandy Nature of the Soil that the water percolates through it to the Seven wells, which are not far distant and which supply drinking water to a great many of the inhabitants of Madras.

The Board therefore recommend that orders may be issued for prohibiting burials in this place for the future.

3. There is however a Space opposite the Moneger Choultry which will when cleared of

of publish. ground between 4 and 5 Cawnies of land This spot is represented to be well suited for the purposes and will be sufficient to provide a burial ground not only for Mr. Bilderbeck's Congregation but for persons connected with any other Society which may have been in the habit of using the burial ground which is now proposed to be abandoned.

4 Under these circumstances the Board support the Collector's recommendation that Sanction be granted for making over to the Revd. Mr. Bilderbeck one Cawny of the above land free of Quit Rent for a burial ground for persons of the Native Congregation of the church Mission Society.

To

No. 276.

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

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Dt. No. 3163
From the Collector
of Chingleput

Sir

With reference to the concluding part of Para 2 Extract from Minutes of Consultation No. 725 of date the 11th July forwarded with the Board's Proceedings of the 19th of the same month No. 2266 I have the honor to forward Copy of a letter dated 13th Instant from the Right Revd. M. T. Lobo agreeing to abide by the orders of Government as conveyed in those Minutes and to refer all questions relative to rent for adjudication to the Courts.

2 As this will leave the position of the Residents towards Mr. Lobo exactly as it found them I request that the Sanction of Govern: ment may be given for the proposed boundaries being considered the limits of the Portuguese Church property at the Mount and marked as such by the Quarter Master General's Department.

3 In regard to the Residents themselves I have scarcely known how to communicate with them as no Security on their side had to be taken I believe all that is necessary will be to tell them that the Cantonment authorities have

have no claims to the land and that such as Mr. Lobo may possess he is only to enforce through the Mediums of the Courts.

Chingleput District. — Collectors Cutcherry. — Sydapet 11th August 1856. — Signed C. I. Shubrick Collector

No. 1

To. C. I. Shubrick Esqr. Collector of Chingleput.

Sir. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th Instant and beg to state in reply that I understand the order of Government of the 11th July No. 725 merely to define the boundary of the Church property at St. Thomas Mount and not to vest in the church any right to levy rent within those limits all such rights claimed by the church being left as heretofore for adjudication by the Courts I consider these conditions very fair and am willing to abide by them.

Signed M. J. Lobo Acting Bishop.

True Copy Signed C. I. Shubrick Collector

230-231. Bd. No. 2886 Resolution thereon.

Resolved that the foregoing letter and its enclosures be submitted for

for the information and orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council with reference to para 2 of the Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 11th July 1856 No. 725.

Cons. 19th July 1856

2 As the Revd. Mr. Lobo has agreed to refer all disputed claims for rent for adjudication to the Courts the Board recommend that the whole of the Houses and huts in the Mootoo Parcherry may be included within the boundary of the Church property at the Mount and that the Quarter Master General's Department be instructed to have these limits marked accordingly on the Plan.

3 The Board approve of the Collector's proposal to inform the inhabitants of the Parcherry of the decision arrived at as to the claims of the Contonment authorities and the Reverend Mr. Lobo on the lands occupied by them.

232 Bd. No. 3169 From the Collector of North Arcot dated 14th August 1856 — Extra — Sent Read Statement of allowance drawn by himself.

himself and has subordinates for 4th

July 1245.

(232-233)

B. No. 2873.

Proceedings thereon.

	days
Mr. C. Whittingham Collector	56
" R. B. McBirnie Sub "	70
" A. W. Sullivan Head Assist. Collector	138
Do in charge of Sub Do	140
Do Sub Collector in charge H. Assist. Office	39
Do Sub Collector	
" C. N. Pachiappah Assistant Collector	18
" E. F. Elliott Assistant Collector	17

The Contra Sub allowance drawn by the each officer for the number of days noted in the is sanctioned by the Board of Revenue.

Read the following Papers

No. 177

To G. L. Forbes Esqre.

Secretary to the Board of Revenue Fort St. George.

(234)

B. No. 3182

Sir

From the Collector of Madura

With reference to Clause 6 Section X Regulation XII of 1816. I have the honor to request sanction for the employment of a Head

Stamp Vender at the Civil Courts on a salary of 10 Rupees a Month to be paid out of the 5 per Cent Commission received by the Darogah—

2 Considerable delay and inconvenience to Suitors being found to arise from Stamps being sold only at the Hoozoor Cutcherry, it has been the Custom for some time past for the Agent to send a supply to the Court by a Gomastah paid by him. But this arrangement appears objectionable and unattended with sufficient safe guard against fraud as the irresponsible private Gomastah must necessarily be the person who endorses on the paper the object for which it is purchased having previously obtained the blank signature of his employer—

3 As the average receipts of the Stamp Darogah, or as he is here called Agent, exceeds 100 Rupees per mensem the allowance to the Vender can be deducted without subjecting

subjecting him to any hardship—

Madura
11th August
1856 } / Signed / R. D. Parker
Collector

Bd. No. 2905
Proceedings
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thereon— The Board authorize the entertainment of a Stamp Vender at the Civil Court as proposed by Mr. Parker on a monthly salary of 10 Rupees to be provided out of the Commission— With reference to the introduction of similar arrangements when necessary in the Courts of the Talook Moonsiffs, the Board resolve to forward to the Collector of Madura copy of their order to the Collector of Coimbatore dated 25th June 1856—

No. 94.

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

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Bd. No. 3314

From the Collector of Bellary

Sir,

In obedience to the instructions

instructions contained in Extract— from the Board's Proceedings dated 19th May last No. 1570 I have the honor to submit the Statement of Collector's salary &c. of this District prepared in the Form which accompanied Mr. Ricketts letter of the 28th March 1856—

Bellary
Collector's
Office
21st August 1856 } / Signed / C. Pelly
Collector

Return.

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No 1.

Return of Collectors Salary &c. of the Bellary District prepared agreeably to the form given by H. Ricketts Esqre Commissioner for the revision of Civil Salaries &c. Establishments in India

Designation of	Alterations which		Special circumstances
	per Month &c. com-	periodical accounts	-cal considerations
	-mission which	in English to differ-	
	averaged about Rupees	-ent Officers in Number	alone probably led
	684 per Month in	about 90 every month.	

all a monthly allowance of Rupees 3221/2 or Rupees 38638 per Annum. On the death of the Principal Collector Mr. Robertson in 1838 this allowance was reduced to 3,000 Rupees per Month or 36,000 Rupees per annum by Government order 21st March 1836. In February 1840 a further reduction was made on the appointment of the Collector, Mr. Mellor whose allowances were curtailed to Rupees 2,500 per Month and soon after reduced to the present standard of Rupees 2,333 5 4 per Month for Rupees 28,000 per annum. It will thus be observed that

He is also Chief Magistrate of the District and in addition to exercising a close Superintendence over the proceedings of the Subordinate Police, he has to investigate many cases of crime and Misdemeanors that are brought before him. The has to listen to number less Complaints and Petitions & to dispose of them to adjust disputes among ryots who in this District prefer bringing their matters

to their being so greatly reduced for the labour and responsibility have not at all been deminished.

The expense of living is greater than in many parts of India, and being an inland District 300 Miles distant from the Coast greatly

that the Collectors salary of this large & important District has been reduced 27½ per cent within the last 20 years, but the duties and responsibilities have been by no means lessoned but on the Contrary increased—

matters before the Collector to having recourse to the Courts of Law. He has to distribute / the greater number in person / Puttahs to about a hundred thousand farmers, and to have to hear their Complaints and settle their rents— and the same for about 1,3798 Merchants shop Keepers Artificers and others— He has also to investigate all Claims to lapsed Jaghires Enams Yeomiahs &c. which are very extensive in Bellary. His duties in short are very numerous and occupy much time. The Collection of the Land, Stumps, Abkarry, Motunpha and Sundry Sources of Revenue from about a hundred and thirty five Thousand individuals is part of his duty. The Superintendency of the District Treasury into which about 26 to 30 lacs of Rupees is received annually. And the General Superintendence and Charge of

greatly enhances the prices of many Articles Common necessaries of life to Gentlemen— Wages of Servants of all Kinds are moderate but high Compared with some other parts of India— The Collectors pays many months of the year in Camp. They find their own camp Equipage, and the camp Equipage also for their public Duties. They receive fixed Tent allowance at the rate of Rupees 87½ per month for Collectors and Sub Collectors. Rupees 42 per Month for Head & Assistant Collectors.

and

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of the District the area of which is not less than 13056 square Miles containing a population of 1279599 persons. The executive charge also of the Public works Department has hitherto been and still is a part of the Collectors duty. The superintendence also of the vaccination Department & the charge of the District Post the providing supplies for Troops marching. The care of the Public Bungalows and a variety of minor duties devolve on the Collector.—

Sub Collector Salary 166—10—8 per Mensem or Rupees 14000 per year.

No alteration has taken place during the last 25 years.—

and Extra Tent allowance when actually in Camp at the rate of 5/2 Rupees per diem for the Collector and Sub Collector and Rupees 2—10 " for Head and Assistant Collectors.

The Collector must keep up rather large establishments and his position in Society makes some expense in entertaining unavoidable.—

The District is not generally sought after, it is uninteresting and its population very poor and is frequently visited with the scourge of Cholera but it is nevertheless healthy. The Constant failure of rain frequently makes

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Head Assistant Collector's consolidated Salary 558 — 5 — 4

Additional allowance after 6 years 175 — — —

733 — 5 — 4.

per Mensem or 8800 Rupees per annum

Previous to the 1836 the Head of the District was 2 Commissioners. The Salary was of Head Assistant who had not completed 6 years residence 350 — —

Average Commission 354 — —

Total per Month Rs. 704 — —

Of Head Assistant who had completed six years 350 — —

Extra allowance 175 — — —

Average Commission 354 — — —

Total 879 — —

or per annum Rupees 10548 or about 20 per cent above what is now reduced to—

The Assistant Collector Salary 350 Rs. per Month or 4,200 Rupees per annum—

No alteration has taken place—

orders of the 21st March Assistant Salary of, Composed of Salary

makes the duties of the Collector in settling the revenue very laborious and harassing.

The foregoing remarks refer to the Sub and Assistant Collectors.

The Sub Collector has charge of 5 Talooks, and the Head Assistant 2 or 3 Assisting the Collector & Magistrate in other duties also—

(Signed) C. Pelly, Collector.

(236-237) Order thereon— Ordered to lie over—

To

Fort St. George 4th September 1856

No. 138.

To,

G. S. Forbes Esqr.

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

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B. No. 3383.

Sir,

From the Collector of Trichinopoly } I do myself the honor to transmit the prescribed Advertisement for the sale of certain lands of this District the property of Ryots in the Talook of Vellicutty, who have failed to satisfy the demand for arrears of Revenue due on account of Fusly 1265. And I solicit your Boards Sanction for the sale taking place.

2. The arrear for the Fusly amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 110—14—4 is justly due by these proprietors who have shown no intention or inclination to make good the Government demand notwithstanding the service upon them of the legal notice I have therefore

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therefore no other alternative than to let the law take its course—

Trichinopoly Collectors Office 27th August 1856 } (Signed) J. Bird Collector

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B.d No. 2892

Proceedings thereon

238-239.

Under the circumstances stated in the foregoing letter, the Board of Revenue authorize the sale for arrears of revenue of the lands alluded to and direct the publication in the Office of the Advertisement forwarded by the Collector Tuesday the 7th October next being fixed for the day of sale.

16205 Fort St. George 4th September 1856.

No. 137.

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

240

B.d No. 3384

From the Collector of Trichinopoly

Sir,

I do myself the honor to transmit the prescribed Advertisement for the sale of certain lands of this District the property of Ryots in the Talook of Torriore have failed to satisfy the demand for arrears of revenue due on account of Fasli 1264 [illegible]

B. No. 2901.

Proceedings (240-241)

thereon- "Under the circumstances stated in the foregoing letter the Board of Revenue authorize the sale for 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 7th October next being fixed for the day of sale-

No. 110.

To,

G: S: Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue.

Fort St. George.

(242)

B. No. 3387. Sir,

From the Collector of Salem

Previous to submitting the usual annual Advertisements for the sale of Estates on account of arrears of revenue I have the honor to request the Board will be pleased to inform me whether para 5 of the advertisement furnished by them with their Circular of the 30th April 1855 No. 1049 might not be modified-

2- It is stated in that Para that "parties deeming

deeming themselves aggrieved by the sale shall be at liberty to appeal to the Collector." As the sale of Settled Estates is always conducted in the presence of the Collector the appeal ought to lie to the Board of Revenue as heretofore, or perhaps the Board may be of opinion that no appeal is necessary- In either case the Para must be altered.-

3. In the Statement of the lands to be sold I propose to enter merely the Defaulters name, the name of the Estate and the amount of the annual Peishcush I beg I may be informed if any further particulars are considered necessary-

4. The old form of advertisement exhibited in addition to the above particulars the arrears up to the close of the Fusly; but the Board have lately ruled that it is not necessary to communicate information of this kind to the Public-

+ Circular No. 2878.

Salem, Collr's Office, Ofsoor 28th August, 1856

(Signed) W: A: Brett. Collector.

Ordered

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.

242-243

B. No. 2926.

To the Collector of Salem

To,
The Collector of
Salem.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 23d August requesting the Board's instructions regarding a necessary modification of the wording of Para 5 of the form of Advertisement circulated with their order of April 1855, I am directed to state that the words "appeal to the Collector" are not intended to include an appeal to the Board under the circumstances you allude to, and that this may be notified, when necessary to the Proprietors of Estates sold in your presence.

The form of advertisement which accompanied the Circular order of the 30th April appears to the Board to contain all the information which is required.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
4th September 1856.

(Signed) G. S. Forbes,
Secretary.

To

No. 6129.

244

B. No. 3356.

From the Chief Engineer

To,
The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.

Sir,

The Civil Engineer in Tanjore having proposed to assume the Executive Charge of Trivady Talook as a preparatory step to the transfer of the whole Maramut Department in that Province and having brought to notice the immediate want of a fenced Office and work Yard for his Department has recommended that Government Buildings at Poreyaur near Tranquebar formerly occupied as a European Convalescent Depôt and at present by certain Coolies in Temporary Employment under the Collector should be transferred to his charge for the above purpose.

Enc. 1 Plan

2. The Acting Collector on being referred to informs Major Boileau that all the Buildings will be required by him for three years longer, and the middle room in perpetuity as a record room, and that he cannot therefore consent

consent to the proposed arrangement.

3. Tranquebar has many advantages as a Head Quarter station of the District Engineer, as and the Paryaur Buildings which are of a substantial character are apparently well adopted to the purpose of a Central office &c. and while they certainly are far beyond the requirements of a temporary Native Establishment for as whom a Building costing perhaps 500 Rupees would afford adequate shelter while the Engineer Office cannot be built for less than 4,000 as even if ground can be readily obtained which is doubtful.

4. It occurs to me also that unless the Collector is residing at Tranquebar which I believe is seldom for more than one month in the year, there may be space in the Buildings within the Town and citadel for a part at least of the temporary Establishment.

5. Under these circumstances I do myself the honor of requesting you will lay the subject before the Board and that they will be good

enough to assist me in my endeavours to provide suitable accommodation for the Tanjore Provincial Office of Public Works at the least possible expense to Government.

6. A plan of the Paryaur Buildings accompanies this letter which you are requested to be good enough to return.

Central Office of P.W.
Fort St. George,
28th August 1856.

(Signed) C. E. Faber, Colonel
Chief Engineer.

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.

To, The Chief Engineer.

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated 28th August 1856, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you that they regret they are unable to meet your wishes about the Government Buildings at Paryaur near Tranquebar.

2. The Buildings in question are partly occupied by Records for which there

244-245
B. No. 2897
To the Chief Engineer
Ins. Cons. 4th Sept. 1856

there is no Room in the Fort and partly by the Copyists of the old Survey accounts - These accounts are considered so valuable that the Government of India sanctioned an expenditure of about 40,000 Rupees merely for copying them it would not therefore be prudent to place such valuable records in a temporary shed as proposed -

3. There is moreover not another place in the district, as the Board learn from their third Member, where the Survey Copyists can be located - Every attempt was made at the time of their appointment to place them elsewhere but without success - Besides the building is partly occupied by records for which there is no room at Tranquebar - The Records annually increase, and each year more and more space will be taken up for them in the Paryaur Buildings -

4. The Citadel and the Cutcherry at

Tranquebar

Tranquebar is already fully occupied -

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
4th September 1856 —

(Signed) G: S: Forbes.
Secretary -

No. 87.

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

246

Bo No. 3425. Sir,

From the Collector of Cuddapah —

With reference to the Circular letter &c



The

B. No. 2894.

Proceedings (246-247.) thereon- The Board of Revenue authorize the sale for arrears of Revenue of the lands alluded to in the foregoing letter and direct the publica:=tion in their office of the Advertisement for=warded by the Collector Tuesday the 9th October next being fixed for the day of sale-

2. It is observed that the entries in Column 9 seem to be incorrect for if as is possible no payments have been made for the Current Fusly the full assessment of the land should be entered in each case- The Collector will be pleased to have the correct amounts as given in the Advertisement published in the district-

No. 915

To,

G: S: Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

(248) Board of Revenue-

After B. No. 3449.

Sir,

From the Civil Auditor- With reference to the charge of Extra Tentage for 3 days made by the Collector of Salem for a journey performed in one day of three stages as appears in the accompanying Statement I have the

the honor to request you will favor me with your opinion as to the validity of the claim it has been hitherto the practice to permit Revenue officer to draw Extra tentage according to the number of stages travelled by them without reference to the number of days occupied in proceeding from one place to another-

Fort St. George
Civil Auditors Office
1st September 1856.

Signed/ H. Dushington
Civil Auditor

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply-

(248-249.)

B. No. 2895.

To the Civil Auditor

To The Civil Auditor

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 1st Instant received this day requesting the opinion of the Board on the claim advanced by the Collector of Salem to 3 days tent allowance on an occasion when he had travelled 3 Stages in one day, I am directed to observe that although it has not been thought advisable to pass an express rule for such cases it has been the practice to allow similar claims from time to time, and the Board are

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are of opinion that the allowance should be disbursed in the present instance on the ground that the public Service was advantaged by Mr. Bretts expeditions return to his head quarters, while the cost of his travelling Establishment remained the same to him and was incurred during 3 days for which he claims the allowance

Revenue Bd. Office
Fort St. George
4th September
1856

/Signed/ G. J. Forbes
Secretary

No. 79

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

250

Bd. No. 3022
From the Collector of Cuddapah. } Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Extract from the proceedings of the Board of Revenue under date the 17th of May last, annexing Extract from the Minutes of Consultation and Copy of the despatch of the Honorable the Court of Directors calling for certain returns which are herewith forwarded

I regret at this moment that the return No. 2 is imperfect as the records are at the principal station and the record keeper has reported that he cannot trace the number of Village Officers who were dismissed in the years 1813 and 1833 and 1853 respectively, the two other Cuddapah District returns are Complete.—

Collectors Office on Circuit
at Madanapally 2nd August 1856.

/Signed/ M. Murray
Collector

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No. 2

Return shewing the number of Village Officers employed in the Joint Police including Village Officers dismissed from the public Service for misdemeanors in the District of Cuddapah during the following Years

Years	No. of Village Officers dismissed for misdemeanors in the Public Service
1813	2
1833	1
1853	1

Cuddapah District
Collectors Office on Circuit
Madanapally 2nd August 1856

/Signed/ M. Murray
Collector

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Return Shewing the Amount of land tax No. 3 and the total number of contributors to it in the District of Cuddapah in the undermentioned respective years.-

Years	Land tax		Total number of contributors to land tax.-
1813	2,12,138	7 8	Not known on account of the District having been under decennial Lease.*
1833	13,53,135	11 8	
1853	20,96,405	1 3	

Cuddapah District.....
Collectors' Office on Circuit...
Maddenpully 2d August 1856.

[Signed] H. Murray
Collector

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Ordered to lie over

Ordered to Lie thereon 250-251

No.

The Board of Revenue

(258 Recd 8th Sept 1856)

From C. J. Shortt Esqre Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Transmitting the Report of the Collector of Cuddapah for the year 1855-56.

Ordered that the honor to request that the Board of Revenue will be pleased to forward with their favorable recommendation this copy of Application for the renewal of the Lease of the Medical Certificate to Europe for the Collector of Cuddapah for 15 Months.-

2. The enumerated Certificates accompanied this Letter.-

[Signed] G. A. Hobbes
Secretary

Fort St. George
4th September 1856

Certificate

I, W. G. Bleghorn, Surgeon & Superintending Surgeon of the Cuddapah District do hereby certify that C. J. Shortt Esqre of the Civil Service, is invalided to the Sea Coast, and I solemnly and sincerely declare that such is the case, to the best of my knowledge according to the dictates of my conscience and belief.

Dated this 29th day of August 1856.

W. G. Bleghorn
Surgeon & Superintending Surgeon
Cuddapah District

I certify that the above is a true copy of the original Certificate granted by me, and that there is no reason to doubt the truth of the statement therein contained.

W. G. Bleghorn
Surgeon & Superintending Surgeon
Cuddapah District

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to proceed to Europe for 15 Months.

Madras . . . .
3d September 1856. } /Signed/ H. J. C. Cleghorn
Surgeon 4th District

He do hereby certify that according to the best of our professional judgment after careful personal examination of his case we consider the state of health of G. S. Forbes Esqre to be such as to render leave of absence for a period of 15 Months absolutely necessary for his recovery.

/Signed/ J. B. Preston Physician General
" S. D. Geddes, Surgeon General
" G. V. Cumming, M. D.
Acting Inspector General.

Ordered to be submitted thro the Civil Auditor for the favorable consideration of Government.

253-253
Order thereon.

Resolved that the following letters be despatched.

254

Bd. No. 2875
To The Collectors of Tinnevelly

To The Collector of Tinnevelly

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of

16221 Fort St. George 4th September 1856

of Revenue to inform you that the under mentioned Statement now due has not yet been received in this office and to request that you will immediately cause its despatch.

Revenue Boards Offices
Fort St. George . . .
4th September 1856 . . . } /Signed/ I. D. Sim
Sub-Secretary

Statement of contingent charges incurred during the Quarter Ending 30th April 1856.

To

The Collector of Ganjam

255

Bd. No. 2876
To The Collectors of Ganjam Vizagapatam Masulipatam & Kurnool.

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you that the undermentioned Statement now due has not yet been received in this office and to request that you will immediately cause its despatch.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
4th September 1856 } /Signed/ I. D. Sim
Sub Secretary

Stationery Indent for the year 1857

To

16220 Fort St. George 4th September 1856

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252-253
Order thereon.

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Fort St. George
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Sub Secretary

Stationery Indent for the year 1857

To

256

Bd. No. 2877

To the Collectors of Ganjam Guntoor Nellore, Cuddapah Kurnool Salem, S. arcot, Tanjore, Tinnevelly, Coim. Calicut Canara and Malabar

To

The Collector of

Ganjam

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you that the undermentioned Statement now due has not yet been received in this Office and to request that you will immediately cause its despatch.

Revenue Board office
Fort St. George
4th September 1856

[Signed] G. S. Forbes
Secretary

Statement of Extra Tentage for Fusly 1265.

To

257

Bd. No. 2891

To the Collector of Madras.

The Collector of

Madras

Sir,

I am directed to request that you will inform the Board of the cause of the great difference

difference which appears between the Statements of Salt wastage for Fusly 1264. Submitted by you on the 30th June 1855 and

In Cons 5th Feby 1856

In Cons 20 May

17th May 1856.

Mds Seers
+ 6079—3
- 3664—13
2414—30 Difference

2. The totals of the two Statements are entered in the Margin.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
4th September
1856

[Signed] G. S. Forbes
Secretary

Received

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Received the undermentioned

258
Mly No. 2047
From the Collector of Vizagapatam — Miscellaneous letters and Statements

259
Mly No. 2848
From the Collector of Vizagapatam — Comparative Statement shewing the collections in Fuslies 1265 and 1266 up to July 1856

260
Mly No. 2050
From the Acting Collector of Tanjore — Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of Revenue for July 1856.

261
Mly No. 2049
From the Collector of Vizagapatam — Statement of Demand collection and Balance of Revenue for July last.

262
Mly No. 2051
From the Collector of Vizagapatam — Averages Bazar Prices of Grain and Memorandum of Jyen cultivation for July 1856

From the Collector of Chingleput — Statement &c shewing the Quantity of Salt in store available for Exportation to Calcutta at each of the Ports of Exportation on the 1st September 1856

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16225 Fort St. George 5th September 1856.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Friday the 5th September 1856.

Read the following Papers.

263
B. No. 3406
From the Secy. to Govt.

No. 202.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Public Department dated 28th August 1856.

Read the following letters

From the Collector of Madura. Here enter 27th May 1856.
From the Civil Auditor. — — 1st August.

In the above letter the Collector of Madura applies for the grant of a Superannuation Pension to Vencataiswara Iyer, Revenue Boysom in Madacolum Talook in his district. This individual is reported to have served under the Government for upwards of 35 years of which only 24 years are admissible under the rules: the remaining period Viz.t 11 years having been passed in a situation the salary of which was 3½ Rupees. He had also served in the Sheva-gunga Zemindary, under the Court of Wards, for a period of 2 years and 7 months. This latter period the Collector has excluded from the term of the applicants service apparently under the impression that it does not confer a claim to a pension from the Government.

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But the Right Honorable the Governor in Council observes that employment under the Court of Wards is the same as under Government. The Collector being always the Agent of the Court of wards is at liberty to employ any public Servant he pleases upon the responsible duties of Management accordingly in all cases in which a Public Servant already on the permanent Establishment may have been employed by the Collector as Agent under the Court of Wards, the period which he shall have been so employed will be allowed to Count as service entitling him to Pension.

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Ordered that paras 1 and 2 of the foregoing Resolution be forwarded to the Board of Revenue for communication to all Collectors for their information and guidance.

/True Extract/
/Signed/ G. N. Taylor
Acting Dy. Secretary to
Government.

Ordered

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B. No. 2931.
Proceedings thereon.
(263-264)

Ordered accordingly that copy of the above Paras be forwarded to all Collectors for information and guidance.

(265)
B. No. 3385.
From the Secretary to Government.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 29th August 1856.

Reviewing the operations of the Nursery Gardens experimentally established in the District of Tinnevelly. desiring to submit a Statement shewing the entire Cost of the undertaking since it was first begun, and that the Collector be instructed to transfer the Tullyoor Garden to the Engineer Department . . . . . .

/See No. 907 in Separate Volume/ P. 122

(265-266)
B. No. 2904
Order thereon.

Ordered that Copy of the foregoing Extract Minutes Consultation be forwarded to the Collector of Tinnevelly. who will report on the points noticed by Government and will make arrangements to transfer the management of the Tullyoor Nursery to the Engineer Department whenever the Civil Engineer shall state himself to be in readiness to take charge of it. The rates at which Ryots may be supplied with seedlings should be determined in communication with the Civil Engineer.

B. No. 3430
From the Secretary to Government.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 29th August 1850.

267

Declining to allow both a Lithographic and a Printing Press for the District of Guntoor desiring that the Acting Collector be requested to revise the arrangement proposed by him to meet the charge of printing and authorizing the disbursement of Rupees 652-12- the total cost of the wooden Press purchased for that District.

/ See No. 913 Separate Volume P. 124

Memorandum.

In the subject of the accompanying reference the Superintendent Government Press begs to submit that Gallies side and footsticks Quotations all essentials in a printing Office however small appear to be omitted in the Collector of Guntoor's list and he recommends that 3 folio foolscap and 3 do demy Gallies 6 setts of side and foolsticks and 100 lbs. of quotations may be added to the supply of Material asked for at a cost of about Rupees 40.-

The Superintendent however has been unable to make out clearly the whole of what the indent contains from the terms employed throughout to designate the articles being unusual.

The sum asked for the purchase of 100 lbs Telugu type / Rupees 55 inclusive of carriage hire / is about half what it will actually cost unless old type be meant.

/ Signed / R. Smith
Superintendent

Fort St. George Gazette Office 8th August 1850
B. No. 2936.
Order thereon.

268.

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Guntoor who will state whether the aid of Lithographic press is withdrawn arrangements should at once be made for forwarding the latter to the Chief Engineer or transferring it to any Officer whom he may name. The Board will request him to communicate with the Collector as to its disposal.-

Ordered that the following letter be sent.

To The Chief Engineer
Department Public Works.

267-269.

B. No. 2915.

To The Chief Engineer
Department Public Works
In Cons. 5th Sept. 1850. Minutes

Sir

With reference to para 3 Extract Consultation 29th August 1850 No. 913 Revenue Department

16230 Fort St. George 5th September 1856.

Department, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that you will communicate with the Acting Collector of Guntoor as to the disposal of the autographic Press referred to—

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
5th September 1856. } Signed G. S. Forbes
Secretary.

B. No. 3460.
From the Secretary to Government.. } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 3d September 1856

270

Granting authority for the defence at the public expense of Suit No. 1 of 56 brought against the Collector of Malabar and another in the Sub Court of Calicut.

See No. 933 in Separate Volume P. 126

270-271
B. No. 2902.
Order thereon.

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

272
B. No. 3461
From the Secretary to Government. } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 3d September 185

Authorizing the defence of O.S. No. 7 of 1855 brought against the Collector of Malabar as supplimental Defendant in Principal Sudr Ameen's Court of Tellicherry by the Managers of the Tirunelly Pagoda.

See No. 934 in Separate Volume P. 127

Proceedings

16231 Fort St. George 5th September 1856.

B. No. 2903.
Proceedings thereon.
272-273

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

No. 22.

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

274

B. No. 1166.
From the Offg. Agent to the Governor at Burnool — } from the

Sir

With reference to Extract Proceedings of the Board of Revenue under date the 31st August 1854 and the Circular No. 69 dated 11th January 1855 regarding the reduction of Land Assessment where excorbitant, I have the honor to state that in this Province the rates of assessment are quite arbitrary, and in many instances very high, such lands having generally been part of a holding composed of highly and lightly assessed lands, the former being relinquished whenever it was practicable— Under the discretionary powers vested in the Agent by Extract from the Board's Proceedings dated 6th January 1853 Para 7 both Mr. Conway and Mr. Daniell reduced

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reduced the assessment on certain highly assessed lands which came under their notice in Fusles 1263 and 1264 as shewn in the Marginal

Talooks	Fusly 1263	Fusly 1264.	Total
Chagalmurry	791 2 "	689 8 8	1480 10 8
Seruell	754 10 7	272 7 5	1027 2 "
Nundial	616 12 5	29 10 "	646 6 5
Pauniem	" " "	18 11 3	18 11 3
Goodoor	127 8 "	11 13 9	139 5 9
Nundicotcoor	" " "	226 4 7	226 4 7
Atcoor	589 2 11	657 3 "	1246 5 11
Total	2879 3 11	1905 10 8	4784 14 7

Statement a further reduction of Rupees 594 11 " was made in the Village of Calgotta in the Dhone Talooke but Rupees 204-15-6 having been previously collected Mr. Daniell ordered the collection of the difference Viz.t Rupees 389-11-6 to be suspended pending the permission of the Board to its remission.

2. With regard to the 3.d clause of Para 3 that the assessment should not exceed 1/3 of the gross produce for dry lands, and 40 per Cent for wet Lands. I beg to observe that until regular field survey has been introduced in this Province, the introduction of a fixed assessment

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assessment in isolated cases only would be objectionable. The practice hitherto in determining Goottacommee has been with reference to the assessment on lands of a similar kind and the average on other lands adjoining also the productive quality of the soil.

3. The Board are already aware of the unsettled state of assessment in this Province, and the impossibility of ascertaining on what principles it was originally based. Those rates have been generally speaking continued and it becomes necessary to equalize them as much as possible whenever opportunity offers, but until a permanent assessment for the whole District shall be fixed and the Enam question decided it is impossible to remove at once so many difficulties in the way of improvement and change the present system. According to the Boards Proceedings dated 28th May 1855 the practice of Ilsara has been abondoned such lands being taxed

taxed and a reduction made on the highly taxed lands to which they were attached Enam lands held under the last Government as Ijsara are so continued, but the titles to such Enams is very doubtful and cases are continually being brought to light of their being held without any title, in such cases, a light assessment only is fixed - The Ijsara or rent free lands have lately been taxed according to the Proceedings of the Board dated 28th May 1855 but unless Government is prepared to sacrifice a considerable portion of the assessment on highly taxed lands it would be objectionable to allow Enam lands hitherto attached to such highly taxed lands to be taken away from those now holding them on easy terms - under these conditions, and on this principle, a light assessment only is levied on the resumption of such Enam lands.

4 The rate of assessment on a 2d crop varies considerably in this District as

in some cases being equal to the 1st in others one third and in others again two fifths except in such instances as only a Moiety of the 1st assessment is levied on the 2d the ryot is not repaid - this would be a fair and remunerative standard and encourage exertion -

5 With reference to the 11th Para of the Board's Proceedings I would beg to observe that whenever the supply of water is certain a fixed and consolidated assessment on both crops would be advisable, in other cases it would be preferable to fix the assessment of the 2d Crop at half that of the first.

6 With regard to Para 12 no alteration appears necessary in this District at present when the supply of water is from springs or never failing sources - but the ryots might be benefited if a slight assessment only, say a quarter of the 1st Crop, was levied on the crops as per Margin, not requiring much water

Wheat
Raighee
Tobacco
Cholum (Mecca)
Sweet Potatoes
Coriander Seeds
Brinjals
Onions
Garlic
Chillies.

water. The Bagayet lands under Wells can be classed in the 1st Karum dry land: as suggested in the 34th Para of Mr. Maltby's letter dated 17th December 1853.

Kurnool.
Govt. Agents Office.
4th April 1856.

/ Signed / J. G. Russell
Offg. Agent to the Governor.

B No. 2935.
Proceedings thereon.
(274-275)

The assessment of this District has undergone frequent consideration and an elaborate report written upon it by a former agent has been printed among the selections from the Government records. an extensive

Mr. Bayley's Report No. 8 of Selections from the records of the Madras Government.

reform is manifestly needed, but the Board agree with the present Officiating Agent that until the want of a regular field survey is supplied, no general scheme of re-assessment can with safety be attempted.

2. As the Government have proposed a revenue Survey for this Presidency the Board hope that Kurnool will before long have

Board's Proceedings 1st January 1853 Para 7.

have the benefit of this measure and mean while the Agent has been authorised to grant reductions on lands exorbitantly assessed. detailing the measures which he takes for this purpose in his annual Jummabundy reports. all collectors have also since received a general authority to lower the assessment on such lands as may be kept out of cultivation in their Districts by overtaxation.

3. Postponing therefore the re arrangement of the land tax until a Revenue Survey has been made. the Board will advert briefly, to the question of fusal Jasty. on the mode of assessing second crops on Nunjah land. Captain Russell.

Paras 4 & 5. shews that the practice now varies in different parts of his District and the Board incline to his opinion that it would be advisable to introduce a uniform plan of charging one half of the first crop teerwah. But before ordering this measure they wish to hear Captain Russell's

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Russells opinion whether it can be safely introduced at once before the first crop assessment has been revised. They also desire to know what would be the financial results of such a measure, and for this purpose request Captain Russell to send a Statement shewing the extent of Nunjah land cultivated with 2 crops in late years, and the revenue collected from it for the 1st and the 2d crops respectively.

Read again Statement from the Collector of Tanjore dated 30th June and entered in Miscellaneous Cons 14th August 1856 of Demand Collection and Balance for June /56.

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B/A. 2935.

Proceedings thereon.

The Board observe that the sum of Rupees 49.059 being arrears on account of Land revenue is entered under the head of Remissions in Column 8 of the above Statement. In the Column of Remarks of the Fasliwar Particulars, this sum is entered as remitted according to the sanction of Government dated 4th June 1855.

2.

The Board notice that there appears to be no Minutes of Consultation of the date bearing on the subject. Mr Cherry will be so good as to explain the circumstances of the case.

To

RB.

16239. Fort St. George, 5th September 1856

No. 113.

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

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B/A. No. 2772

From the Collector of Madras — Difficulties arising from the present practice of the Police authorities at the Mount having presented themselves in my Settlement of the Abkarry of that Cantonment I have the honor to bring the subject to the notice of the Board and to request instructions for my future guidance.

Bringing to notice the difficulties arising from the present practice of the Police authorities at the Mount having presented themselves in the Settlement of the abkarry of that Cantonment and requesting instructions for future guidance

To Board 6 May 1858.

2.

Under the orders of the Board the Abkarry shops at the Mount were placed under the Collector of Madras to be managed on the same system as the Madras Abkarry generally and this practice has continued to the present day but within the last two years various objections have been made by the Superintendent of Police at the Mount to the abkarry arrangements of this office and the Police have made certain local regulations and called upon the shopkeepers to furnish different Securities which are not

not supposed requisite in this office and not demanded from the numerous body of licensed shop keepers in the town and precincts of Madras.

3. The Mount Abkarry consists of one Arrack shop and one Toddy shop that place and six other Toddy shops at different stations within the limit of 4 Miles surrounding the Cantonment.

4. Up to the passing of Act XIX of 1852 the Madras Abkarry and that of the Mount were managed under the provisions of Regulation I of 1[illegible] and since the 19th March 1852 these Sources of Revenue have been secured under the above Act.

5. Section II of this Act places the collection of the Abkarry Revenue within the Town and Suburbs of Madras under the charge of the Collector of Madras under the Control of the Board of Revenue and this jurisdiction is declared by Section XI to include the Town of Madras the limits of the Supreme Court and eight Miles beyond those limits. The Mount is therefore embraced

embraced in this definition.

6. The Toddy shops under my Control were settled on the 23d June and the Renter of last Fasly having declined to continue the Mount shop unless at a reduced rate, I gave the rent of the Mount Shop and six other smaller ones within the Mount range to two individuals and requested the Superintendent of Police to enter their names in the Register.

This officer declined to do so on two grounds 1st that under local rules posed by Brigadier Whingates in 1851 but not enforced in this particular until two years ago a Renter could hold only one shop as being incapable of rightly Controlling more.

8. I have pointed out to the present Superintendent of Police that in Madras no such restriction is found necessary that men of Capital require more than one shop for the due employment of their funds that it was an object to obtain men of this stamp and

and that it was preferable to give the Rent of several shops to such men rather than Rent them out singly to less substantial parties—

9. Section XIV of the Act expressly makes the licensed dealer responsible for the act of his servants and it is impossible to enforce a rule such as that enjoined by the Bregadier that the Renter shall be always in attendance the truth being that he must be often absent—

10. The Mount Police also demand that a Renter shall be required to give Security that he will not throw up his license within the year. Though this stipulation is not required in Madras yet I requested the Board to sanction this Security being taken at the Mount and they did so*

*19 Nov.r 1855

11. But in addition to this Security the Superintendent demands another to obey the local rules and issues a license to each Renter under Section XLIV Regulation VII of 1832. The Board by a reference to this Section will see that even if the Abkarry at the Mount was governed by this Regulation the license is to contain stipulations established by the Commissary General and the

the Sanction of the Government not Conditions imposed by the Commandant—

12. But as said before the Abkarry of the Mount is included in the Madras Abkarry which is regulated Act XIX of 1852.

13. I contend that the taking of these securities is illegal and unnecessary. The requisition of security is more or less a penalty and should only be demanded. I think when urgently called for. The shopkeeper is bound by the Conditions of his Moochilka to keep good order within his shop and as a resident is subject to the Police Authority of the Superintendent who can put his powers in motion when the law is infringed.—

14. The two Renters for this year have given Security to continue their shops for the whole year but decline to give the other Security which moreover is to be local as they have no property within the Mount Jurisdiction—

15. I am now in the position of having rented out certain shops under my Control but my Renters are refused entrance on their Contract because they do not come up the requirements of the Police

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Police who as I understand the case have full power to enforce the provisions of the Law against the Renters if they commit a breach of the Conditions of the license or transgress the rules of the Cantonment but that they have no right to demand Security at their own will and pleasure for the general good conduct of the Renters. The Government are losing 2 Rupees daily by my arrangements not being carried out.

16. By this reference I do not wish to complain of the acts of the Superintendent of Police to whom I have spoken on the general subject and who in terms me that he is only enforcing the local rules of the Cantonment.

17. It is immaterial to me whether the Mount Abkarry is retained under my control or separated from it and placed under the military authorities if the latter is supposed the better arrangement but if the present system is to continue I beg that the Board will direct that the Mount Abkarry shall be managed after the manner of the Madras Abkarry that I shall rent the shops to the parties in my opinion most eligible and that my Renters be not interfered with by the Police except under the provisions of the Act specially formed for the securing of that branch of Revenue.

Madras
22nd July 1856.

/Signed/ B. Cunliffe
Collector

Lt Col Brown who has very lately taken up the Office

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Ordered to be submitted with the following letter.

To

The Secretary to
Government
Revenue Department

27-278.

Rd No 2918

To the Secretary to Government Revenue Dept

Submitting a letter from the Collector of Madras relative to the management of the Abkarry contracts in the limits of the Cantonment of St Thomas Mount and suggesting to Government the advisability of leaving all the Abkarry around the Presidency under the control of the Collr of Madras.

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to submit for the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council a letter from the Collector of Madras dated 22d July 1856 relating to the Management of the Abkarry contracts in the limits of the Mount Cantonment.

2 The question involved in this letter is one of some difficulty and appears to the Board to require the decision of Government.

3 The Abkarry rents at the Mount have been since May 1830 under the Management of the Collector of Madras, this arrangement was made under the orders of the Board and subsequently the Abkarry of the Town and suburbs of Madras within a circuit of 8 miles beyond the limits of the Supreme Court have been formally placed under the same authority by Act XIX of 1852.

4 There has been notwithstanding this a divided Control exercised by the Military and Revenue Officers over the out

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Sub renters within the Cantonment limits and they have been required by the former to submit to various restrictions under Regulation VII of 1832.

5 This system has now given rise to difficulties / as detailed by Mr Cunliffe in the present letter / which render it evident that a change must be made and that the renters must be placed entirely under the controul either of the Collector or the Military authorities.—

6 The contracts for the year were concluded by the Collector on the 23d June under the usual authorized conditions but the Commandant at the Mount refuses to allow the contractors to enter on their business unless they afford additional security to obey the local rule and hold their contract for the entire year in addition to which each sub renter is called upon to maintain but one shop.—

7 The contractors demur to these conditions and the Board concur with the Collector in objecting to the restriction of a renter to a single shop; Of the nature of the local rules they are not informed, the affair still remains unsettled and it

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it seems necessary to place the shops at once under definitive controul.

8 It appears to the Board that act XIX of 1852 does not necessarily supersede Regulation 7 of 1832 and that it is optional with the Government to place the Cantonment shops under the Commandant's controul or under that of the Collector.

9 But in the latter case the Board think that the Collector should be instructed to enter for the Order of the Cantonment same such provision in his contracts such rules as are deemed necessary. seems absolutely required as Act XIX of 1852 contains no rules for regulating or preventing the sale of liquor to troops.

10 If this arrangement can be satisfactorily carried out it appears to the Board the best that can be made, as there are advantages in having all the Abkary around the Presidency under the same system and controul the question is however referred for the decision of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council

Revenue Board Office
Fort Saint George
5th September 1856

/ Signed / G. S. Forbes
Secretary

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B. No. 2797

From the Coll.r of Madras

To

No. 116

G. S. Forbes Esq.re

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Sir,

With reference to Board's Proceedings 30th January 1856 No. 281 relating to the Washermans Aroom which Mr. Norton is desirous of purchasing and joining to his own property at the Adyar I have the honor to report that the Meerassy Washermen have selected a suitable piece a cross the river in the precincts of Oroor in the District of Chingleput.

The new location does not incommode the owners of neighbouring properties, but as these called Meerassy Washermen have long ceased giving any service for their Enam, I think that they may be allowed to make it over to Mr. Norton on what terms they may, the transfer being registered and the land in future charged with Quit Rent and that the Washermen be directed to take up the new land from the Chingleput Authorities in the usual manner but that it should not be exempt from assessment.

Madras
24th July 1856

/Signed/ B. Cunliffe
Collector

Resolved

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B. No. 2908

Resolution thereon — Resolved that the foregoing

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letter be forwarded to Government with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation No. 71 dated

In Cons.n 30th Jany/56 22 January 1856.

The Board agree with the Collector

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that as service has long ceased to be rendered for the Enaem referred to in the foregoing letter, the spot newly selected by the Washermen for their future use as well as that in present possession — and should not be exempted from Assessment.

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It will be seen that the newly chosen ground belongs to the District of Chingleput, and is reported not to interfere with the adjoining properties

No. 83

To

G. S. Forbes Esq.re

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort Saint George

Sir,

In reply to the Extract of letter from Major Thuillier Superintendent Mathematical Instrument Department, which I have till now been unable to acknowledge on account of my absence from Head Quarters Camp

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B. No. 2909

From Captain Priestly

Superintendent Revenue Survey

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Camp / I have the honor to request that English chains may be supplied to the Survey, as those made in this Country that I have seen, are, very inferior.—

Survey Office
Camp Tirmanore
29th July 1856 } /Signed/ Frederick I. B. Priestly, Capt.
Supt. Revenue Survey

Ordered to be submitted with the following letter.—

To The Secretary to
Government
Revenue Department

(281-282)
B.N. 2905
To the Secretary
to Government
Revs. Dept.

Captain Priestley, the Officer in charge of the Revenue survey having applied for 5 dozens Gunter's steel chains of English manufacture, and none being procurable in Madras, application was made to Major Thuillier Superintendent Mathematical Instrument Department Calcutta who is also unable to supply any; I am therefore directed by the Board to request that Government may be pleased to sanction their being sent out from England on special Indent and at an early opportunity as Captain Priestly is much in want of them his work is in consequence, much retarded

Revenue Board Office
Fort Saint George
5th September 1856 } /Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary

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Read again Return,

from the Collector of Madura dated 31st July and entered in Miscellaneous Consultation 27th August 1856 of Village Officers suspended or dismissed under Regulation VI of 1831 during July 1856.—

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B.N. 2906
Proceedings thereon—

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with, by the Magistrate - a

Read the following

Papers: -

16253. Fort St. George 5th September 1856.

No. 120

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

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the Receipt of the Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 17th April 1856 No. 1138 and to Report, as directed - as Mr. Lascelles statements are strong and nearer I must Request the patience of the Board and Govern- ment if I Reply to them more at length and in detail than I should have other- wise thought it needful to do, it is deffi- cult very briefly to meet Mr. Lascelles un- qualified and unscrupulous imputations mixed up as they are with one another - Had not Government called on me for an explanation I should have Considered a simple denial on most points Suffi- cient as it is I must Refute Mr. Las- celles statements fully if I am to do it at all -

I have also taken the liberty for Reference and perspicuity sake to para

Rec. 284

B No 3073.

From the Coll. of Coimbatore

Affirm's explanation with reference to the Complaint made by Mr. W. Lascelles - for wards documents to prove that his complaint is un- founded and re- quests the return of originals letters herewith submitted -

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Sd request its return for Record

Mr. Lascelles letter.

3. Mr. Lascelles chiefly grounds his accusations against me on 4 points (in para 5 of his letter) on each of which I trust I shall satisfy the Government (supported by documents) that Mr. Lascelles Charges are as untrue and unfounded as they are unscrupulous and bold. I am Compelled in self defence to say that full enquiry on the Hills would convince the Government that Mr. Lascelles facts on these and other matters are not to be

I make this statement advisedly and solicit its being tested in any way Government think right and I feel justified in such a statement after Mr. Lascelles unjust and unjustifiable attack on me in the Course of my duty. If Mr. Lascelles was in any Service Civil, military or Medical &c I should at once appeal to Government for protection, and for a searching enquiry in his own Department as it is Mr. Lascelles feels that he is amenable to no one and can attack any Public officer with impunity.

4 The documents I now send will sufficiently prove that the detailed

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land perfectly brought to by Mr. Lascelles is the site of an old Todar Mund that the Todars have a share and claim on it which they do not wish to lose nor sell for an inadequate price to Mr. Lascelles) that old path to Boolchul and other Burghur villages have long and do still exist across it that the former Public Bungalow did once stand there. All these points were fully known to me by personal inspection and knowledge but as Mr. Lascelles has chosen to impugn the truth of these facts and Government are not perhaps quite aware of Mr. Lascelles habit of vague assertion I now to new evidence on all points.

5 When I first visited the Neil-gherry Hills and served in Coimbatore as Assistant Collector nearly 30 years ago Mr. Lascelles was but a Boy and not yet on the Hills, of some facts on which he now asserts so positively he Could have no cognizance of the old Public Bungalow for instance I remember it perfectly in 1830 & then stood on the land now alluded to. I recollect calling on a young officer then Lieutenant Mac Pherson

now

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(now I believe Colonel and Resident at Gwalior) a Reference to that officer if Govern-
ment deem necessary would decide the
point of the Bungalow in a moment. There
are no English Residents now on the Hills
who Remember it to whom I can apply. It
fell to my duty to select and mark out
(as Assistant Collector) the site of the
present Coonoor Public Bungalow I
many therefore be supposed to Know the
localities.

6 As Regards the Charge in para
3 that I wished to purchase the land my-
self I hardly think it worth stopping
to answer it. It is simply a misstatement
and I fear a wilful one, I never expres-
sed the people now ever had, nor
expressed the Remotest wish for the
land nor made any enquiry about it,
till the Todars appealed to me
against what they loudly asserted as Mr.
Lascelles unjust appropriation of the spot.

7 In my position as Collector I
have always been especially careful to
have no dealings with natives for land
the only spots I ever brought to build on
(a Small Cottage at Coonoor, and so

one

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one at Ootacamund for the use of my family
were bought of Europeans who previously
held them at Ootacamund of Mr. G. Norton
the then Advocate General (a safe party
to purchase from) the other of the German
Mission and both at high prices I mean
from these particulars to meet Mr. Lascelles
insinuations.

8 Having had more trouble and
difficulty with Mr. Lascelles than with any
other person high or low on the Hills
and being aware of that Gentlemans cha-
racter I always carefully avoid interfering in any matter in which he is con-
cerned till I am appealed to by those
whom it is my duty to protect and who
suffer by Mr. Lascelles dealings.

Such was the present case Mr.
9 Lascelles attempted to buy (from a few
Burghers on his Coffee plantations and
under his influence) land which belonged to many others and for a very
inadequate price, the other Shareers and
sufferers so soon as they were aware of
the nominal sale going on appealed to me
and to the Sahoildar for redress and demurred
to the sale, hence Mr. Lascelles

accusations

accusations and the present Correspondence.

10. The 2d point charged as false in Mr. Lascelles 5th para that the spot was one a Todah mund is fully and clearly disproved by the evidence now forwarded, and it is scarcely necessary for me to add that a local inspection at this moment would show an old sacrificial stone and other local and internal marks of a Todah mund that the Burghers subsequently occupied it for a time (though there is no trace now but now remaining) is true, but it was by the Todars permission and by no means invalidated their Rights which they tenaciously adhere to in many other old munds in all parts of the Hills. It is in fact a very eligible Building site, which Mr. Lascelles shrewdness foresaw and several European have wished and asked me for it, but I have always declined to let it be occupied unless the owners & the Todars were fairly bought out Mr. Lascelles took his own means of getting rid of the Todars & gaining possession of the land.

11 The 3d charge is as incorrect as the rest, except the Todah "claim which lay dormant

it was long a public spot, and had, as I said above a public Bungalow on it, and the Burghers have only Cultivated it with the Todars permission and paying them a share as acknowledgment. All this is shown in the evidence now forwarded and proves clearly that the Burghers had no right to sell nor Mr. Lascelles to buy of them only this land which if now put up to auction like all other land (as Mr. Lascelles well knows) would fetch 5 or 6 times as much as Mr. Lascelles proposed to pay the Burghers for it.

12 I need hardly remark that the professed English "deed of sale" at the close of Mr. Lascelles letter is a strange and unsatisfactory one, as much as the Burghers know not one word of English and Mr. Lascelles does know Canarese well and a Canarese Paper patent to all would have been therefore a far more open and satisfactory document if the sale was a fair one. Mr. Lascelles Complains of the tone of my letter under date 12th March 1856. It is the only one of many in which Mr. Lascelles can show that I ever used any strong terms and looking to the

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Correspondence which Called for it I think that Government will excuse me for ~ auriting plainly - I have never condescended to trouble Government with Mr. Lascelles letters to me most improper, unjust and uncourteous to any public officer as they have been - I have always attended to Mr. Lascelles business and took no notice of his abuse till his letter of the 7th January 1856 when his palpable and insulting underlining led me to think I Read better notice and stop what I need no longer submit to Looking to Mr. Lascelles Replies, the ink and his usual tone, I think Government will not doubt if Mr. Lascelles or I understand the word "insult" and will consider me justified in asking Mr. Lascelles to admit or deny it, which I did courteously

13 Regarding the 500 Rupees offered to the Todars for one Canny of land in another Todar mund it was offered by one individual only Mr. Division and not as Mr. Lascelles asserts, by many (see Mr. Division's letter) or to get

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exactly similar Sums were once offered for two other munds one at Fairlawns the other behind Dawsons and in both instances refused by the Todars who hold them to this day - at Ootacamund

get rid of the Todars but as an eligible building site the Todars are there at this moment not a nuisance and none of the Residents near them have offered or wished to buy them out it is a gratuitous assertion of Mr. Lascelles at variance with fact.

To Mr. Lascelles assertion in Para 14 that the evidence was falsified or ~ incorrect I need I hope hardly reply otherwise than by saying that Mr. Lascelles statement is incorrect -

The Real case is shortly stated by Mr. Lascelles himself in para 9 I declined on the Todars appeal to me to Confirm a sale which enquiry Compelled me to Consider "both unfair and forced"

15 As a Specimen of Mr. Lascelles mode of writing I refer to a supposed quotation (so marked) in his 9th para, "hastily conducted the Real words as shown on the other side of the same paper in my letter No. 56, 12th March are" with as little delay as practicable" I meant only to explain in Courtesy to Mr. Lascelles why I had not sooner been able to Complete the

the enquiry and is very different from the meaning
Mr. Lascelles false quotation would imply

16 The Government will observe
that Mr. Lascelles throughout evades any plain
answer to my simple question about the under-
lining resorting only to the cool alternative
of charging me with having made the under-
lineation in order to charge it on him I should
not have condescended to notice it had it not
been preceded by many other impertinances
which, as addressed to a public officer, I was
not called on to submit to, though I might
well afford as a private individual to disregard them-

17 Mr. Lascelles last letter (official)
of the 16th April is a fair specimen of that Gentle-
mans style there are many like it on my Records
all addressed officially but I have never Conde-
scended to trouble Government with these personal
insults to myself Mr. Lascelles attack do not
carry much weight where he is known and
he is I believe the only individual on the Hills
who would condescend to such productions-

18 The Tahseldars own independ-
-dent and upright character, is a sufficient
guarantee that the enquiry before him, is a
correct and fair one- The witnesses are all
respectable

respectable and most of them Head men-

19 To show that Mr. Lascelles has been
long in the habit of neglecting moral and fair
methods of acquiring land and has before given
trouble to my predecessors (and about the same
land) as well as to myself I beg to refer to a
letter of Mr. Broughtons under date 5th April 1848
paras 12-13-14 (especially 13) and to the Boards
Proceedings thereon 15 May 1848 also to my
letter to Board No. 22-20th March 1854 and No. 61
16th June 1854 showing that Mr. A. R. H. Lascelles
continued the same methods of appropriating
lands under alleged English deeds of sale with
Hill tribes who neither knew what they were part-
-ing with nor had any right to sell-

20 The statements of Mr. Lascelles
in para 9 of his letter are disposed of by the evidence
enclosed, the only point needful to allude to
is an old case in the Nowsiffs Court of
Ootacamund in which the Burghers claimed
931 Rupees as due to them by Mr. Lascelles
for unpaid Coolyhire during several
years on his Coffee plantations- it went
against the Burghers on Mr. Lascelles
making affidavit that he did not owe
them the sums claimed- the Burghers
still vehemently claim a large sum
though they may have erred in the exact
amount

See letter from Colonel Babington

+ they repudiate this oath in Col. Babingtons letter-

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amount and have constantly appealed to me regarding it. Being a debt I have been compelled to decline interfering though I have the strongest reasons for believing a large sum is still due by Mr. Lascelles to those who have worked on his Coffee plantations -

* on other grounds than now shown

21 I am sorry that the Board and Government should have the trouble of reading all these papers but in simple justice to myself - I am compelled to request that what I have referred to may be read I might refer to many more (which I have spared the Board) showing the real nature of Mr. Lascelles proceedings for a long time past and I beg the Board to remember that I have not troubled the Board with this enquiry but Mr. Lascelles -

22 I regret the delay which has occurred in replying but I have been really so occupied with Ammabundy and other important current business that I have been unable before to give the necessary time to this letter I respectfully request the return of original letters when done with -

Coimbatore
Collector's office
31st July 1856

(Signed) C. B. Thomas
Collector

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Ordered that the following letter be sent -

To The Secretary to Government -

(284-285)
132 No. 2911-
To the Secry to Government

Sir,

In forwarding for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the report of the Collector of Coimbatore on the points submitted to him through the Board of Revenue for explanation - I am directed to observe that in the opinion of the Board the four statements impugned as incorrect by Mr. A. Lascelles are substantiated

Dated 31st July
2d Cons. 5th September 1856

Extract Minutes
Cons. 7th in Cons. 17th
April 1856 -

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substantiated by the papers now forwarded and especially by the depositions of the Village Curnum and Monegar delivered before the Tahsildar in February last.

2 As regards the tone and temper of the Correspondence the Board do not feel called upon to offer any Remarks in anticipation of the decision of Government.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
5th September 1856

(Signed) G. S. Forbes
Secretary

G.F.B. J.O.

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No. 80

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

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Bd. No. 3003.
From the Collector of Cuddapah

Sir

The Chief Engineer at Madras having called upon the Civil Engineer of this District to frame an Estimate for the repair of the palace at Gooramcondah to be converted into a public Bungalow and to forward the same for the consideration of the Board of Revenue I have the honor in compliance with his wish to forward the Enclosed Estimate report and plan.

2 At present so few travellers pass along the road on which Gooramcondah is situated that I do not feel myself justified in recommending the Estimate being carried out, but should the road under contemplation be completed. Viz. from Pedair to the frontier of Bellary thro' Gooramcondah and the road constructed between Cuddapah and Rajecholy, Gooramcondah, Kuddenpilly and Poonganoor to join the great trunk road leading from Madras to Bangalore, more travellers will probably pass along the road where the palace will be more required for a Bungalow at

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at present there is no Sepoy, Peon or a Sweeper employed so that no Returns of the travellers who have halted at this place can be forwarded those who have are chiefly those who are residents of the District.

Cuddapah District
Collectors Office
on Circuit Muddenpelly
2d August 1856

/Signed/ C. Monray
Collector

Estimate

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Estimate of the Expense of repairing the undermentioned Public Buildings in the Cuddapah District. No 1

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Abstract of Works for the year 1856.

Nature of Work	Amount of each Estimate	Explanation of necessity of repairs when last repaired and at what cost	By whom recommended
Cuddapah Collectors Office	Rs. 870	Building wall	
	90	Do	
	385	Retaining walls under windows	
	445	Deduct one door way	
	35	Enclosing of Built in Almirah	
	609	Half tiling slabs	
	300	Do	
	272	North side room no 1	
	119	North side room no 2	
	110	Flooring Terrace Do	
	90	Do	
	40	Do	
	182	Do	
	180	Do	
	55	Do	
	201	Repairing Do & plastering roof	
	120	Do	
	42	Do	
	2500	Spare for plastering roof	2
		Carried forward	

Nature of Work	Estimate	Amount of each Estimate	Abstract of Works	Amount of each Estimate
Cuddapah Collectors Office	Rs.	Rs.	Brought forward	Rs. 2500
Brought forward		2500	Repairing Do	87
Repairing Cutcherry		87		105
Do Treasury		105		
Do Court House		105		
Do Jail		105		
Do Hospital		105		
Do Dispensary		105		
Do Dwelling House		105		
Do Stables		105		
Do Cattle Shed		105		
Do Pound		105		
Do Police Station		105		
Do Sepoys Lines		105		
Do Sweepers Do		105		
Do Peons Do		105		
Do Travellers Bungalow		105		
Do Choultry		105		
Do Bridge		105		
Do Tank		105		
Do Anicut		105		
Do Road		105		
Do Ferry		105		
Do Boat		105		
Do Gardens		105		
Do Topes		105		
Do Wells		105		
Do Fences		105		
Do Gates		105		
Do Compound Walls		105		
Do Flag Staff		105		
Do Gun Platform		105		
Do Powder Magazine		105		
Do Store Rooms		105		
Do Barracks

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Solids	Name of Work	Measurement Length	Breadth	Height	Superficial Contents	Cubical Contents	Particulars of Work	Price	Rate	Amount of each Article	Amount of each Work	Explanation of nature of Work in how last to be joined and at what cost	By whom recommended
							Brought forward				105 1 6		
						Cyds	New Steps						
		14	6	1	"	84	Foundation to Steps						
		6	7	3	"	126	Steps						
		11	6	3.8	"	231	Do						
						441	Cubic yards of Rough Stone		" 1 "	per Cyd	110 1 0		
		14	9	"	126	"	Main walls of Stair case						
		27	20	"	540	"	Do Do						
		12	6	"	72	"	Do Do						
		25	15	"	375	"	Do Do						
		12	12	"	144	"	Do Do						
		11	10	"	110	"	Roofing over the Stair case						
		36	10	"	360	"	Partition wall above						
		12	10	"	120	"	Do Do						
					1847	"	Square feet plastering		2 "	per Sq	37 " "		
		20	10	"	200	"	New Verandah over Stair Case						
					200	"	Square feet of Verandah with jungle wood rafters nail three courses of flat tiles and three Coats of Chunam		12 " "	per Sq	24 " "		
					1847	"	Square feet of white wash		" 2 "	per Sq	23 9 6		
		6½	3	"	"	"	18 Common Doors Hooks & Complete except frames		12 " "	each	216 " "		
		6½	2½	"	"	"	3 Do Do		10 " "	"	30 " "		
		4	2½	"	"	"	10 Windows Complete		7 " "	"	70 " "		
		4	2	"	"	"	12 Do Do		6 " "	"	72 " "	687 15 "	
							Sundries ab 5 per Cent D					40 1 "	
							Furniture 2 Cots 2 Tables and 12 Chairs					92 " "	
											Total Estimate Rs	870 " "	

Total Estimate Company's Rupees Eight hundred & Seventy

/signed/ G Palmer, Lieut.
2d Asst Civil Engineer
Cuddapah District

2d Assistant Civil Engineers Office
Cuddapah District
Camp Rachotee
13 March 1856

/Signed/ E. Hennery Lieut.
Civil Engineer
Cuddapah District

/Signed/ M. Murray
Collector of Cuddapah

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No. 2

Building

Estimate No. _____ of 1856-1857

District _____ Cuddapah

Taluk _____ Goorumconda

Work Estimate for Converting Goorumcondah Palace into a Travellers Bungalow

Quantities Cost	Description of Works	Rate	Amount	Amount of each Item
609	Brick in Chunam	. 1 6	57 1 6	
2400	Sqare feet of repairing cracks in Terrace	2 " "	48 " "	
	New Steps			
Cyds 441	Cubic yards of Rough Stone	" 4 "	110 4 "	
1847	Squrme feet of Plastering at 2 as per Sq.	" 2 "	37 " "	
200	Do new Verandah with jungle wood rafters nails three courses of flattiles and three coats of Chunam	12 " "	24 " "	
18873	Square feet whitewash at 2 as per Sq.	" 2 "	23 9 6	
18	Common doors Works complete except frames	12 " "	216 " "	
3	Do Do	10 " "	30 " "	
10	Windows Complete	7 " "	70 " "	
12	Do Do	6 " "	72 " "	687 8
	Sundries at 5 per Cent			40 1
	Furniture 2 cots 2 Tables & 12 Chairs			92 "
	Total Estimate Rupees			820 "

2 Asstt Civil Engineer's Office Cuddapah
District Camp Rachoteo
13th March 1856

Total Estimate Company's Rupees Eight Hundred and Twenty

/Signed/ G. Palmer
2 Asstt Civil Engineer
Cuddapah District

/Signed/ M. Murray
Collector of Cuddapah

/Signed/ E. Hennery
Civil Engineer
Cuddapah District

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No. 2

Report on the Palace of Goorumcondah in the Taloob of the same name in the Cuddapah District.

This building Situated in the slope of a hill consists of three Stories The first built partly under ground contains a few dark and badly ventilated rooms apparently intended for cattle, it is not intended to expend any money on this portion of the building.

The ground floor is open to the East with the several small rooms on each side. The rooms on the North of the floor are used as a cook room and godown by travellers servants the corresponding apartments on the South should be reserved for European Soldiers and travellers of that class. This portion of the building requires white washing a through cleaning and a few small doors and windows.

The upper floor consisting of several small rooms opening into one another can easily be made habitable by the addition of doors and windows whitewashing and plastering and the numerous leaks in the terraced roof should be repaired. The walls of this palace composed of brick in Chunam are in very good order, the wood work however from long neglect and exposure to the rain that beats in on every

Side

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side shews symptoms of decay and unless measures are soon taken to prevent it in a very few years this building which now only requires an outlay of Rupees 820 to convert it into a comfortable travellers bungalow will become a heap of ruins:—

Goorumcondah is situated 58 miles South of Cuddapah on the road from Cuddapah to Kundenpilly Palmanair and Bangalore. The new direct road from Madras to Bellary will also run through Goorumcondah, this line is completed as far as Makal a town 12 Miles East of Goorumcondah and an Estimate is now being prepared for continuing the road through Goorumcondah and Cuddree to Cadairee in the Bellary District. so that in all probability in the course of a few years the number of travellers passing thro Goorumcondah will be very considerable.

As there is not at present even a Saloop Peon attached to the old palace I cannot ascertain how many travellers stop there during the year but few remain longer than is absolutely necessary for owing to the want of doors and windows the rooms are exposed to every wind that

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that blows and to the rain during the monsoon.—

Civil Engineers Office
Camp Poyacholly
11 July 1856

Signed E. Henery Lieut.
Civil Engineer of
Cuddapah District

Signed M. Murray
Coll. of Cuddapah.—

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B. No. 2920

To the Secretary to Government

To The Secretary to
Government
Department Public Works

Sir

In Con. 5 Sept. 1856

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to submit for the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying letter dated 2nd August 1856 from the Collector of Cuddapah together with the Civil Engineers report Plan and Estimate of the expence of converting the Goorumcondah Palace into a Travellers Bungalow.—

This project is recommended on the ground that a new direct road from Madras to Bellary thro Goorumcondah is in progress and has been completed as far as Mokel a town 12 miles East of the

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the latter place. The Palace at Goorumcondah has been hitherto used by travellers and is now in such a state of decay that it cannot be conveniently occupied. To prevent this building from becoming a heap of ruin and to convert it into a Public Bungalow will require an outlay of Rupees 830 a Sum less than one half of the cost allowed for a 2d Class Bungalow.

3 The Collector does not consider himself justified in recommending the Estimate being carried into till the completion of the road but as the building is hastening to decay the Board recommend that for the reasons urged by the Civil Engineer of the District his Estimate may be sanctioned and the repairs undertaken without delay.

From Civil Engineer 11th July 1856
Enc. Nos. 2 to 6th Collr's letter

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
5th September 1856

/Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary

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No. 130

To,
G. S. Forbes Esqr.
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

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B. No. 3197

From the Collector of Coimbatore

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extract from the Board's Proceedings dated 7th Ultimo No. 2073 Conveying the order of Government No. 675 and in reply beg to state for their information that the nature of the tax levied on Bazars at Ootacamund therein referred to is the same which formed subject of the correspondence noted in the Margin between the Collector of Malabar and the Board in 1842, or previous to the reannexation of the Neelgherries to this District. The present Collection thereof amount to Rupees 51-2-6 per Month detailed in the accompanying Statement.

2 The amount of Charges from the above Fund shown in Column 8 of the Statement differs with that shown on my letter of the 28th May 1856 No. 75 by Rupees 4-7-6 the present amount including also the Salary of a Coty employed at Kotagherry and Soderward also.

Coimbatore
11th August 1856

/Signed/ C. B. Thomas
Collector

Statement

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Pl. No 2919

Resolution thereon. Resolved that the letter recorded above and its enclosure be submitted for the information and orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation dated 2d July 1856. No 675

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In C. 7 July 1856

From Collector of Malabar & inclo. 26 May 1842
To " 26 May 1842.
From " 10 inclos 30 June 1842
To " 17 October 1842

From the correspondence noted in the margin, it will be seen that a tax has been levied from shopkeepers for the purpose of keeping up a scavenger. on Establishment since 1832 the year when Ootacamund was declared a General Military Bazar station. The tax is supposed to have originated with Col. Crewe, the then Commanding Officer and to have been voluntarily paid by the shopkeepers, who arranged ~~on~~ among themselves what proportion should be contributed by each. The Monthly Collection in 1842 amounted to Rupees 32, and the Charges to Rupees 34

2 It will be seen from the statement furnished by the Collector that there are at present at Ootacamund and Kotagerry 419 shops

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No 1 Statement shewing the amount of tax levied on shopkeepers thereof in the District of Coimbatore

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Statement	Number of shops at 1/2 rupee per Month	Amount	Number of shops at 1/4 rupee per Month	Amount	Total Amount of Tax	Deduct Salary of Tahsildars &c.	Surplus Amount to be carried forward
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Ootacamund	190	29 11 0	229	21 3 6	419	35 15 6	12 3 6
Kotagherry	"	"	9	4 4 6	13 6 9		
Total	190	29 11 0	229	21 3 6	419		

Coimbatore
11th August 1856

Segnity & D. Thomas
Collectors

The Collections of this Tax in all places stated accounting to the increase or decrease in the number of shops the surplus sum is also expended for urgent purposes and as soon as the Bazar stands

At present the shops are under construction in another place the old ones having been injured by Freshes in the stream very near to the Bazar no tax will therefore be levied there from November 1855.

shops 190 of which pay at the rate of 2½ and 229 at 1½ anna per mensem, making the total monthly Collections Rupees. 57-2-6- deducting from this sum the cost of the Establishment there remains a surplus of Rupees 12-3- The Collections of course fluctuate according to the increase or decrease in the number of shops and any overplus is expended in making and repairing drains in the street

4 The Collector explains that the difference between the amount of charges entered in the statement and that shewn in his letter of 26th May 1856 is owing to the omission of the salary of a Soliy employed at Kotagherry and saderward escpences.

Letter Rs. 34-8-
Stat. 38-15-6-
Diff. w. Rs. 4-7-6-
× In Con 11th June/56

To

No. 174

J. S. Forbes Esqr
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George

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B. No. 3165

From the Collector of Nellore } Sir,

With reference to an Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 19th February 1855 I have the honor to state that the additional building required to make the Choultry at Surapully available for all classes of Travellers has not yet been

been constructed by the heir of the founder It is reported that he has commenced the work but that he does not possess the means to complete it, The Cenam sanctioned by the Board in endowment of the Choultry has not however been assigned yet, as the Chattrama=dar applied for land below the proper assessment, and which could not therefore be given - He states that he will provide the means of the further accommodation required on his obtaining the endowment -

2 Under these circumstances I beg to solicit instructions whether I am to take any further measures to make over the waste land for the endowment of the Choultry which was sanctioned in Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 19 Oct. 1854

Nellore District Collectors Office Kinstnapatam 13th August 1856 } /Signed/ F. B. Elton Collector

B. No. 2932

Proceedings thereon.

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The Board observe that the owner of the chattram has not completed the additional building which he was required to erect, until this condition has been fulfilled they are unable to sanction the transfer of the land to him -

Tabular

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B°. N°. 3193

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Tabular Report of lapse of Enams

Case	1	2 Talook and Village Extent and Value of the entire enam	3 When and by whom granted or name of the Original grantee — Sunnud or other document in Support of the grant.	4 Nature of the grant charity or Service — If Service nature of the duty prescribed by the grant	Name of the last holder Date of his decease and the relationship in which he stood to the original grantee	5 share enjoyed by the deceased and that held by other members	6 Family left by the deceased name and age of the parties, Their Circumstances and the means of subsistance possessed by them	7 Recommendation of the Collector and the grounds on which it is made	8
Ejmanas Rundigay Enam		Tenkurry Talook Goolanoor Village Nunjah 2-10 1/2 G. Rs. A. P. 6-2-8 Poonjah 1-0-0 10 2 3 10 1/2 6 12 10	The time of Grant and names of the original grantee and grantee not Known. No other document or than the Summabundy accounts of Fs. 1205 at 1209 and of 1212, in which the Enam is entered in the name of Venkataramiah	Service reading Almanacs	Sunkaranarmen died on the 21st Augt 1853, He was not related to the original grantee.	whole Enam	Sunkara Ummal wife aged 30 years 1 Brother Ady 500 bild 25 years 1 2 They possess no other means of Subsistence.	Venkataramiah in Col. 3 held the Enam till Fasly 1242 when he died leaving no issue. In 1243 the deceased appointed to perform the duties, by the Villagers themselves without the Sanction of higher authorities. As a service valued by the Ryots is performed continuance is recommended in the name of Ady, Son of Brother of the deceased.	
Ejmanas Rundigay Enam		Ramarajapooram. Village Cawd a Nunjah 2 — 1/2 R. A. P. 9-15-16	Granted to Seerjee Pundit / date not known / In the Fs. accounts of 1212 the Enam is Entered in the name of Khunda Row.	Ejmanas Rundigay Enam for founding a Village.	Dasapundit died on the 28th Decr. 1854 He was the brother of a widow in the line of the original Grantee.	Do.	Meen a boy widow of the deceased — 26 Venkitaraw Son of Do — 10 Streenevasa raw Do — 3 Vingoo boy daughter of Do mother of Do — 7 95 Sawthayammal Sister of Do — 45 6 They possess lands to the extent of 12-9 1/2 taxed at 175-6-11 in the Village in question.	Recommended for resumption The Village of Ramarajapooram reverted to Government on the Death of Dasoopundit under the order of Government dated the 5th April 1841 as because he was not descended from the original Grantee the title of the family to this Enam is invalid for the Same reason.	

/ Madura, 13th August 1856 /

/ Signed / R. D. Parker

Collector

Remarks

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Dr No 2941

Remarks thereon — The origin of this Grant is so unknown it is not traceable in the Public accounts beyond Fasly 1205 / A D 1805/6, but it would appear that since that period it was always enjoyed as a "Smchanga Enam," and as the Service attached to it continues to be performed and is appreciated by the Ryots, the Board concur in the Collectors recommendation that it should be renewed in favor of Andy Soobien brother of the last incumbent —

The Village of Ramiyapooram having

In Ft St Geo. 3d May 1841
Ft Coln 21 Sept. inl 8th Octr/55
Ex St 8 Octr 1855
Ft Dr 15 Inl 24 Octr/55 No 1168

in accordance with the orders of Government dated 5th April 1841 No 42 been resumed on the death of the last holder, as reported by Mr Parker — no further Sanction is necessary

The Escheat need not have been included in this report —

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To

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort Saint George

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Dr No 3129

From the Actg Collr of Sea Customs

Sir,

A question arising in this Department with regard to the duty to be levied upon Foreign Millinery the first that has come under my notice as Actng Collector of Sea Customs — I have the honor to bring to the notice

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of the Board of Revenue that after the decision in Extract of the Boards Proceedings dated 5th January 1856 upon Messrs Cunniade & Co's requisition regarding the duty of 10 per Cent being charged upon Foreign Clocks &c Mr Underwood as Collector of Sea Customs introduced into this Office a list of articles (enclosed) "Unenumerated and Manufactured" taken from the "Bengal Vade Mecum" and ordered that the same should be enforced in the collection of duties at this Custom House and such being the order of Mr Underwood I was bound

bound to carry it out in the capacity of Deputy Collector, but previous to the receipt of Extract of Board's Proceedings dated January 3d 1856, before mentioned and the introduction of the list from the "Bengal Vade Mecum" by Mr Underwood in the 25 May 1856, foreign Millinery was always charged at 10 per cent, and from this, your Board will perceive that there is a material difference and loss to Government especially as regards foreign Millinery.

3.— Act VI of 1848 merely modifies the question of Foreign and British Bottoms not the differential value of the place of manufacture.

In schedule of act IX of 1845 Millinery both British and Foreign are enumerated thus.—

"Cotton and Silk Piece Goods and all Manufactures "of Cotton or Silk mixed with any other material the produce "of the United Kingdom or of any British possession 5 per Cent"

"& the produce of any other place 10 &c"

4. I beg therefore that your Board will be good enough to give instructions how to act for the future.—

Sea Custom House
Madras
13th August 1856

/ Signed/ W. E. Cochrane
Ag Collr Sea Customs

Statement

No 1

Statement shewing the definition of the term "manufactured" &c from articles heretofore classed as Unenumerated."

Imports British and Foreign

No 1 Articles classed as "Unenumerated" subject to duty at 3½ P.C. Cent agreeably to act XIV of 1836 as modified by Act VI of 1848	No 2 Articles classed as "manufactured" subject to duty at 5 & 7½ P.C. Cent agreeably to act IX of 1845 as modified by act VI. of 1848
Agate precious stone, free /	Agate seals, see Jewellery Toys and Trinkets manufactured articles
Aloes	
Arsenic	Boards of all sorts
Asafeetida	Berlin Wool worsted yarn
Betelnuts	Black Ring
Bedamiah or gunnee seed	Bottles
Brimstone in crude state	Brimstone flour of Stick
Cardamums	Bugles
Chalk	Carriages
Cochineal	China Goods
Cocoanuts entire	Cigars
Cocoanut shells rough	Cocoanut shells polished into Hookah Bottoms
Cocoanut Kernel, oil seed	
Cotton	Coir and Coir Rope
Cowries	Copperas
Cubebs	Corosive Sublimate
Cunnam seed	Dammer boiled
Dates	Earthenware
Dried Snails	Fireside Arms Ammunition and Gun Caps
Drugs natural products	Guns
Elephants Teeth	Ghee
Fireclay	Gold and Silver Thread
Gallnuts	

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No 1

Articles classed as "Unenumerated" subject to duty at 3½ per centagreeably to act XIV of 1836 as modified by act VI of 1848

Gums of Sorts
Gallanto
Hemp
Hides, Raw or Green
Horn Buffaloe Cow Deer &c
Horse Hair
Licorice Root
Ochre, Red or Yellow
Saffron
Sandalwood
Sampanwood
Salaries or liquid storax
Stick Lac
Sowing Ball Thread
Tobacco Leaf
Tallow
Timber and Panel Boards
Tortoise shell
Wax
wool Lambs
wood Cedar
& Teak
& Mahogany
And all Timbers, sown Planks
Shumbins Artes &c

No 2

Articles classed as "Manufactured" subject to duty at 5 7½ Cent agreeably to act IX of 1845 as modified by Act VI of 1848-

Glassware
Glue China
Grocery Confectionery and Oilman Stores
Haberdashery Millinery and Hosiery &c
Hardware and Iron Mongery mixed
Indigo
Jewellery Plate and Plated ware
Leather Shoes and Harness &c
Laces of all Sorts (stick lac excepted)
Lometta
Lampblack
Linen Thread
Mathematical and Philosophical Instruments
Medicines
Music and Musical Instruments
Oils
Pipes Hogsheads Butts &c
Paints and Varnish
Provisions in general salted Fish dry and Bumbat Fish
Perfumary
Red Lead
Rattan Canes or Malacca Canes

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No 2

Articles classed as "Manufactured" subject to duty at 5 7½ Cent agreeably to act IX of 1845 as modified by Act VI of 1848

Silk sewing thread
China
Sunff
Soap
Stationery Quills
Sugar Loaf
Sulphuric acid
Tallow Candles
Vinegar
Verdigris
Wax Candles
White Lead

To be enforced in the Custom House at Madras

Sea Custom House
Madras 28th May 1856

(Signed) W. C. Underwood
Coll. Sea Customs

(True Copy)
(Signed) W. C. Cochrane
Ag Coll. Sea Customs

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.—

To

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To

The Acting Collector of
Sea Customs

Sir,

R. No. 2916
To the Acting Coll.
of Sea Customs
Sir
In Cons. 5 Sept. 1856
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In reply to your letter dated 13th August reporting that Mr. Underwood had introduced into the Office a list taken from the Bengal Vade Mecum purporting to enumerate the manufactured goods not included in his schedule and consequently liable under the act to a 5 p.c. duty and observing that as this list includes Millinery generally without any exception on duty of 5 p.c. instead of 10 p.c. cent as heretofore would thus be levied on foreign Millinery, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to observe that it appears probable, Mr. Underwood's intention in introducing the list was simply to define the manufactured articles not enumerated in the schedule and that it was not designed to interfere with the application of the rule regarding such

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such goods when produced in a foreign Country, and which are undoubtedly liable to double the duty imposed on English manufactures of a similar description.

2 As applied to Millinery the definition "manufactured article &c." is, in the opinion of the Board quite correct.

Revenue Board Office
Fort Saint George
5th September 1856

/Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary

Application

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Talook

Cultivation

	Amount of concealed Motunpha	Amount of concealed grazing tax or other Revenue dues	Amount recovered	Reward proposed	Detailed Remarks
	1	7	8	9	10
					11
	14 8				The information was given on the 1st August 1848 to the Head Assistant Collector Mr Ratliff. The Tahsildar directed to enquire, reported on the 4th December 1849 concealment to the amount of Rupees 180 — 11 — 10 which under the orders of the Acting Head Assistant Collector Mr Ballard of the 9th February 1853 was collected from the Ryots. The Village Officers also were punished. The information having been given after the close of the settlement the informant is entitled to a reward of 25 per cent according to the Board's Circular Order dated 23rd September 1847. He petitioned for reward on the 4th August 1853. —
	1 1				
	7				
	2 7				
	12 6				
	8 8				
	1 8				
	3 4				
	14 6				
	7 7				
	10 5				
	4 10				

May [illegible]

Rs 180 — 11 — 10

Rupees 45

[Signed] R. D. Parker
Collector

Proceedings

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Fort St. George, the 5th September 1856

Bd's No. 3941

Proceedings thereon:-

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Ordered that the foregoing Statement be submitted for the sanction and orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council with the Board's recommendation that sanction be granted for the payment of a Pension at Rupees 45 per annum.

Rupees 45 per annum.

Ordered that the Secretary to the Board do address the Collector of South Arcot in the terms proposed by the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract)

(Signed) A. D. Campbell
Secretary to Government

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Fort St. George 5th September 1856

Bd's No. 3316

No. 175

Statement shewing the amount of Arrears due to the undermentioned Yeomiah Pensioner in the District of South Arcot submitted for the sanction of the Board of Revenue -

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No. in Register	Name	Amount of Pension per annum	Date of Government authority	Nature of the Grant	Period for which arrear is due	Total Amount of arrears	Explanation of the cause of suspensions of payment	Sanction of the Board of Revenue
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
						Rs A P		
111	Janakee annall Present age 39	120 " "	9th September 1853	For subsistence	From 12th October 1855 to 11th July 1856	90 " "	Continued illness is the only reason to be discovered why this Pensioner has failed to draw her allowance during the period stated in Column 6- The Collector therefore begs to solicit the sanction of the Board for the disbursement of the arrears now due and for the continuance of the payment for the future-	

South Arcot Coll[r]'s Cutcherry
Palaveecottah,
21st August 1856

(Signed) A. Hall
Collector

Proceedings

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B. No. 2934.

Proceedings thereon.—

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The reason assigned for not drawing the pension for a period of nine months being considered satisfactory, the Board authorize the Collector to disburse to Janakee Ummall the arrears undrawn by her from 12th October 1855 to 11th July 1856 amounting to Rupees Ninety, and to continue the allowance to her provided he is satisfied as to her identity

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No. 293.

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

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B. No. 3269.

From the Collector of Chingleput.—

Reporting the result of the management of the Akkarry farm during the period it was held under sequestration recommends the grant of a permission of Rs 3769-9-4 to the sub renters.

To the Board	25th March	1856
From Do.	4th April	Do.
To Do.	18th Do.	Do.
From Do.	20th June	Do.

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence marginally noted, I have the honor to forward herewith 3 Statements shewing the demand Collection and Balance of the Akkarry Revenue of this District for Fusly 1265 under the Renters management of the farm and the period it has been sequestered for arrears of Kist.

2. Out of the demand of Rupees 44,051-14-2. due by Mr. Adamson for the 7 Months he held the Farm, he paid into the Government Treasury Rupees 27,762-13-8 leaving a balance of Rupees 16,289-6-- unaccounted for giving him credit for Rupees 13,222-5-2. for his deposit of Company's Paper calculated at its current value he remains indebted to Government in Rupees 3066-11-4 for the recovery of which there are no means available.—

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3. The engagements between Mr. Adamson and his sub renters were never formally drawn out, and were only ascertained by an inspection of his accounts which shewed the monthly payments he was to receive from them. These left him a considerable profit which, for the 7 Months, yielded Rupees 7648. but there was nothing to compel the sub renters to pay him at that rate beyond their own sense of honor, and when the farm was sequestered they sought permission to reduce their payments for the remainder of the year to the sums which Mr. Adamson would have had to pay under his lease. After considerable difficulty and many days consultation they promised to continue their payments at the rates they had been making them to Mr. Adamson with the exception of three stills thrown up, but with the understanding and an implied promise from me that the circumstances of their case would be favorably considered with reference to the

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unfavorableness of the year, and a remission be allowed them to any extent that might thereafter appear to be necessary -

4. On this verbal understanding they returned to their farms and have since made their payments with considerable punctually the amount due from them at the end of the year being only Rupees 5035--6-

5. Considering that Mr. Adamson entered into no written engagements with these people, and there are no means of legally enforcing the rates of payment they made to him while in charge of the farm there can I believe be no difficulty in arranging their balances by granting them the terms which they originally sought and which Mr. Adamson's non possession of Moochilkas prevents him objecting to -

6- I therefore propose to remit them the amount of difference between their rate of payment and that of Mr. Adamson - For the five Months the farm has been sequestered this would amount to Rupees 3769-9-4 leaving Rupees 1266-2-2 still due which they would be able

able to pay off at once - The remission would be gratefully received by them, and the arrangement, I think be the most satisfactory that could be come to -

7 As regards the sum of Rupees 3066-11-4 due by Mr. Adamson for the seven Months of his career - I am unable to recommend that it should be remitted, as I have shewn in Para 3 that he has received an excess of Rupees 1648 from his subrenters - I have called on him to make his deficiency good and pointed out to him the excess he has received but hitherto he has not answered me -

8. Perhaps a letter from the Company's Solicitor threating legal Proceedings would be the readiest way of getting the money -

9. Should this money be recovered there will be no Abkarry balance after the subrenters have discharged the sum of Rupees 1266-2-2 recommended to be recovered from them, and of Rupees 298-4-5 to be realized from the sale of the defaulting Renters materials as shewn in Statement No. 3 -

+ The still referred to as thrown up Para 3 -

10. The Management of the Farm though it will

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will not not have produced a profit will not have entailed a loss, and there will be nothing for Mr. Adamson to make good beyond what he has been shewn to have received, and has not paid -

11. Similar results I think could not have been obtained had the farm been entirely managed under amany. Six stills in Nayet and Carangooly retained under that arrangement for want of Renters having entailed a loss of Rupees 298-4-5 or at the rate of nearly 18 per Cent as shewn in the Margin* -

12. The continuance of the Farm under the Subrents was therefore the most favorable arrangement that could be adopted for Mr. Adamson's Interests as well as for those of Government, and the care that has been paid to the punctual realization of the Kists has been the means of bringing the outstanding balance to its small amount and no longer rendering necessary my former proposal of remitting Rupees 3000 generally and Rupees 500 specially for Poonamally -

Letter 25th March 1856.

(Seringapatam District, Collector's Cutcherry, Sydapet 22d August 1856.)

(Signed) C. J. Shubrick.
Collector.

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No. 1. Statement shewing the Demand Collection and Balance of the Abkarry Revenue during the period of 7 Months the Farms was held by Mr. Adamson in Fusly 1265 Zillah Chingleput.

Name of the Renter	Period for which the Rists is due and rate.	Demand	Collection	Balance.	Amount available in Company's Paper.	Net Balance due	Amount proposed to be remitted	Amount proposed to be Collected	Remarks
		Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	
Mr. T. Adamson —	From 12th July 1855 to 31st January 1856 at Rupees 6629-2-8- per Mensem	44052 11 2	27762 13 8	16289 . 6	13222 5 2	3066 11 4	. . .	3066 11 4	

Chingleput District,
Collector's Cutcherry
Sydapet 22nd August 1856.

(Signed) C. J. Shubrick.
Collector.

Statement

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No. 2. Statement shewing the Demand Collection and Balance of the Abkarry Revenue during the period the Farm was rented out to the Sub renters Fusly 1265 Zillah Chingleput.

How the farm was Managed.	Period during which it was Managed.	Demand Payable by the Renters.	Amount at which farm was rented out to Sub renters.	Difference	Collection	Balance.	Amount proposed to be remitted	Amount proposed to be Collected.
		Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P
Sub Rented —	From 1st February to 30th June 1856 at Rs 7289-9-4 per 4 Months and at 6093-12-4 for One Month	31482 8 .	35252 1 4	3769 9 4	30216 5 10	5035 11 6	3769 9 4	1266 2 2

Chingleput District,
Collectors Cutcherry,
Sydapet 22nd August 1856.

(Signed) C. J. Shubrick.
Collector.

Statement

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Bt. N. 3921.

Proceedings thereon.

Reviewing briefly the results of the renting of the ab Karry Farm of the Chingleput District for Fusly 1265 suggesting a certain arrangement for liquidating the balance still outstanding against Mr Adamson and requesting the Collector to communicate with him and inform the Board whether he is willing to assent to the same.

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The ab Karry farm for 1265 was rented to Mr. Adamson for Rupees 77197-11-6- and was taken under attachment at the end of January on account of arrears. The demand up to the 31st January amounted to 44051-14-2, of which Rupees 27762-13-8- have been realised by collections and Rupees 13222-5-2. will be obtained from the sale of the renters securities leaving a balance of Rupees 3066-11-4- outstanding at the time of the attachment for which the Collector proposes to hold Mr Adamson answerable on the ground that he collected a larger sum from the sub renters during his management of the farm than that which he paid to Government.

2 No formal written engagements had passed between Mr Adamson and the parties to whom he sub rented the farm and as the season was very unfavorable, the Collector found when making the attachment that the sub renters wished to throw up their undertakings on a promise however

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No 3 Statement shewing the Demand Collection Balance &c.

Mr. Farm was held under Government Management

Hon Mr. farm, was Managed.	Demand during which it was managed.	Collection.	Balance.	Remarks.	
Under Government Management	From 1st February to 30th June 1856	1365 " 11	298 4 5	This amount will be collected by the sale of materials belonging to the defaulting Renters.	

Signed / C. S. Shubrick.
Collector

Signed / C. S. Shubrick.
Collector

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however of some reductions being allowed in the original terms agreed on between them and the renter and they consented to continue their farms with the exception of the holders of 6 stalls in the Nayer and Caroongooly talooks which the Collector consequently took under his own management.

3 The result of the above farm for the entire fusly as respects the Government dues is as follows.

	Government Kist	Relieved	Balance
1 Seven months under Mr Adamson	44051 14 2	40985 2 10	3066 11 4
2 Five months after attachment when Collector collected from the Sub renters	31482 8	30216 5 10	1266 2 2
3 Six stalls given up by their holders	1663 5 2	1365 " 11	298 4 5
	77197 11 6	72506 9 7	4631 1 11

The only arrear about which there is difficulty is the sum due by Mr Adamson under the

first of the above 3 heads. The Sub renters are reported to be willing to pay the second item of further demand against them waived and the 3d sum will be realised by the sale of some property.

4 The above result is creditable to the Collectors management under the difficulties which were experienced when it was found necessary to attach the farm and the Board proceed to notice Mr Shubricks proposals for finally settling the accounts. This item is to prefix for the payment of the Rupees 3066-11-4- due by Mr Adamson when the farm was attached but to remit the further sum of Rupees 3769-9-6- which would be payable by the Sub renters if their engagements with the renter were fully enforced.

5 The Board see the following objections against this course- as the farm was held in attachment on Mr adamsons account it seems doubtful whether the Sub renters could be secured against

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you being called on to pay the balance of Rupees 3769-9-4 still due by them according to their original contracts unless an arrangement was made with the Renter for this purpose and it could not be expected that Mr Adamson would forgo the demand if he was pressed for the arrear standing in the accounts against himself With a view therefore to fulfilling the expectations held out to the sub renters on the farm being attached and to preventing disputes between them and the renter in adjusting their private account which according to the collectors report of 25th March are in an intricate state it is advisable to come, if possible to some general and amicable settlement.

6 This desirable end cannot be attained in the Boards opinion of the demand outstanding against Mr Adamson is pressed and the question therefore arises whether sufficient grounds exist for its relinquishment. Mr Shubrick states that

that the demand ought to be enforced because Mr Adamsons collections when managing the farm exceeded his payments to Government by Rupees 7628 But on the other hand the value of Mr Adamsons own time and the expence he incurred in maintaining an Establishment and in providing the required security have to be considered and he has claims to some indulgence from the season proving adverse, and from his having renewed the farm for a year.

In Cons. 4th April 1856 Successful undertaking. In Para 3 of his letter of 25th March last Mr Shubrick pointed that in fusly 1263 when the farm was held on the same terms Rupees 12000 were remitted on account of the unfavorableness of the season and then observed that there was even greater cause for such an indulgence in the present year. This claim has been strongly urged by Mr Adamsons himself.

See Mr Adamsons letter enclosed in Collectors letter of 18th April 1856 In Cons. 28th May 1856

7 Viewing all these circumstances the

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the Largeness of the amount for which the farm was taken and the balance which Mr. Adamson and his connections Messrs. Kennick & Co. have still to make good for fasly 1264

The Board will not be undisposed to recommend the present balance of Rupees 3066-11-4 for remission if Mr. Adamson consents to waive further demand against the sub renters on their paying to Government the outstanding arrear of Rupees 1266-2-2 which is shown in Para 3 of these Proceedings they are willing to discharge.

In this manner disputes

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and difficulties are likely to be avoided and Mr. Shubrick is therefore instructed to communicate with Mr. Adamson and inform the Board if he is willing to enter into such an Arrangement.

To The Honorable Company's
Acting Solicitor

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Bd No 2914

To the Honble Company's Solicitor

Sir.

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that you will furnish a

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In reply to my letter of 23d June 1856, forwarding Proceedings relative to the agreements usually interchanged between Government and the Ab.y Karry contractors, and requesting your aid in the improvement of their farms

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
5th September 1856.

/ Signed / G. S. Forbes
Secretary

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No. 178.

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

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B. No. 3350
From the Collector
of Madras.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 15th instant, I have the honor to inform you that there is a situation as noted in the margin available for one of the displaced servants allowded to if considered qualified.

Treasury Goomastah Salary Rupees 26 per mensem.

2 The person selected to fill it should besides bearing a good character have a competent knowledge of accounts as the duties are connected with the Treasury Department.

3 I conclude that it is not intended that all the 10 persons named in your letter should be provided for in this District as it would take a long time to absorb them, and be a great discouragement to the Public Servants here by stopping their prospects of promotion which is one of the greatest stimulants to exertion.

Nellore Collector's office
26th August 1856.

/ Signed / H. B. Elton
Collector

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Dt. No. 2933

Proceedings thereon (303-304) The Board observe that letters similar to the one addressed to the Collector of Nellore were sent to several other districts, and they do not expect that the Collector of any one district, should provide for more than two or three of their Cutcherry servants.

2 The Board will not nominate any person to the vacancy now reported Mr. Collins is therefore at liberty to fill it up permanently

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No. 6202

To The Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Dt. No. 3424

From the Chief Engineer Sir

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I have the honor to request your attention to my letter of the 22d. May and Proceedings of the 1st Instant No. 3372 and 5420 on the subject of the Report of the superintendent of the Eastern Coast Canal. This matter has remained on my Books for some time as undisposed. I would request therefore you will do me the favor to return the Report in question at your early convenience with the sentiments of the Board on the points

Central Office Pub. Works
Fort St. George
1st September 1856

noted by Lieutenant Chambers.

Signed C. K. Faber Col.
Chief Engineer

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Order thereon (305-306) Ordered to be recorded a reply to the Chief Engineers previous letter having been despatched.

Resolved that the following letters be despd.

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Dt. No. 2898

To the Collector of Madras

To The Collector of Madras

Sir

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to forward herewith the undermentioned printed forms for which an indent was submitted in your letter of the 1st Instant No. 130.

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

Revenue Board office
Fort St. George
5th September 1856

Signed G. S. Forbes
Secretary

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Dt. No. 2899

Official Memo

To Messrs. Orr & Co.

Official Memorandum.

C. Cunniah Chetty having represented that Messrs. Orr and Co. have not received a copy of the Boards' Proceedings of 31st July 1856 a duplicate of the same is now forwarded to Messrs. Orr & Co.

Enquiries

2 Enquiries have been made in the Boards Office and it is found that the Missing documents is stated to have been duly delivered at Messrs Orr & Co. Shop to a person named Rajoapully. The Peon who carried the paper is sent herewith and the Secretary to the Board will feel obliged if Messrs Orr & Co will institute the necessary enquires and inform him whether they have been able to trace the missing paper—

Revenue Board Office
For St George
5th September 1856

Signed G. S. Forbes
Secretary

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3466
From the Collector of Masulipatam — Read Bills of Extra Sentage of the Acting Sub Collector and

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Head Assistant Collector for the month of August 1856.
From the Collector of Salem — Read Bill of Extra

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3464
Sentage of the Collector for the month of August 1856
From the Collector of South Arcot — Read Bill of Extra Sentage of the Sub Collector for the month

3465 month of August 1856—

312
From the Collector of South Arcot of 1st September 1856 Read Bill of Extra Sentage of the Collector for the month of August 1856—

309-313
Order on the 4 above mentioned Bills. Ordered to be transferred to the Civil Auditor—

314
Mf. No 2056 Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous Letter and Statements—
From the Collector of Bellary — Informs that no Persons were either charged with Offences or confined under Regulation IX of 1822 during the months of January to April 1856, nor were the Village officers suspended or dismissed under Regulation VII of 1831 during that period—

315
Mf. No 2054
From the Collector of Vizagapatam — Statement comparative of Collections in every branch of Revenue Shewing the Increase and Decrease of each Item for Fuslies 1264 and 1265—

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Mf. No 2057
From the Collector of North Arcot — Statement comparative of Collections in every branch of Revenue Shewing the Increase and Decrease of each Item for Fuslies 1265 and 1266 From

16302 From A. D.e George 5th September 1856.

M.J. No. 2059

317 From the Collector of Tanjore Statement comparative of Collections in every branch of Revenue shewing the Increase and Charges for Fusly 1265 with

318 Salt Department

M.J. No. 2055

From the Collector of Vizagapatam Statement comparative of charges in every branch of Revenue shewing the Increase and Decrease of each Item

319 for Fuslies 1264 and 1265.

M.J. No. 2060

From the Collector of Tanjore Statement shewing the comparison between the past & present Fusly

320 the quantities of salt stored & sold for Fusly

M.J. No. 2061

From the Collector of Tanjore

321 Statement Shewing

M.J. No. 2058 the receipts and Sales of salt for Fusly

From the Collector of Tanjore

322 Statement Shewing the

M.J. No. 2052 particulars of wastage of salt in Fusly 1265

From the Collector of Rajahmundry

323 Statement of cartage

M.J. No. 2046 charges not exceeding 200 Rs. each incurred in Fusly

From the Collector of Guntoor

324 Statement of cartage charges

M.J. No. 2053 exceeding 20 Rs. each incurred on the P.S. ending 31st

From the Collector of North Arcot Forwards a Supl. Indent for

duplicates on the Supt. of Stationery for an additional quantity

of certain Articles originally required.

Proceedings