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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Thursday the 5th March 1857.

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Bd No 593

From the Ag. Secy. to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Public Works Department dated 9th February 1857

Communicating the views of Government on a proposition submitted by the Chief Engineer in Connection with the Conservancy of the Laulgoody channels in Trichinopoly and referring the correspondence relating to the Subject to the Board for their report with a request that they will Submit a Draft act for carrying the plan proposed into effect in all places where its introduction may seem desirable.

See No 286. in Separate Volume P. 223

Statement

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No 3.

Statement Shewing the Sess proposed to be levied on the Cultivated Lands under the irrigation of Iyen Peruvallay &c&c Channels of the Poulgoody Talook for maintaining an Establishment in lieu of the existing Coorumboo Sibbendy for constructing Coorumboo and other works of the said Channel.—

No	Channels of Irrigation.	Iyen Cultivation Land assessment					Enam Cultivation Land assessment					Total Cultivation Land assessment					Cess proposed to be levied on each Cawney Cultivated	Amount		Remarks.
		Cs	Gs	Rs	a	ø	Cs	Gs	Rs	a	ø	Cs	Gs	Rs	a	ø	Rs a ø	Cs Rs	a	ø
1	Poodoo Iyen	2,491	19	18,467	3	6	489	42	1674	15	10	2,980	61	20,142	3	4	" 2 "	372	9	3
	Vadakiem	3279	71	32,497	9	2	68	72	438	4	11	3318	43	33233	14	1	" 2 "	418	8	"
	Therkiem	2,616	6	23,561	6	11	15	"	83	9	7	2,632	5	23,645	"	6	" 2 "	329	"	"
	Total	8386	96	74,824	3	4	574	13	2196	11	4	8961	9	77,021	1	11	" " "	1120	1	3
2	Peroovallay Voikal	6647	65	1,51,416	1	5	271	4	1417	12	10	6918	69	1,6833	14	3	" 2 "	864	13	6
	Nathud nullah	3018	99	11,958	10	3	267	28	835	15	6	3286	27	12,794	9	9	" 2 "	410	12	6
	Total	9,666	64	57374	11	8	5538	32	2253	12	4	10204	96	59628	8	"	" " "	1275	10	"
3	Karcamainkem Voiballay	200	6	1505	12	9	"	"	"	"	"	206	6	1505	12	9	" 2 "	25	12	"
4	Nauttoo Voikal	2989	21	22,674	2	7	32	4	186	6	"	3021	25	22860	8	7	" 2 "	377	10	6
	Total	2121,8	87	15,6578	14	7	1114	49	1637	"	8	22393	36	161015	15	3	" " "	2799	1	9
5	Radoovoy	872	70	7867	5	11	"	"	"	"	"	972	70	7867	5	11	" 1 "	60	12	9
6	Pungooney	1,651	81	28650	1	9	89	60	362	8	11	4741	14	28912	10	8	" 1 "	296	5	6
7	Malattaur	2242	8	15902	3	4	9	94	63	11	8	2252	2	15965	15	"	" 1 "	140	12	"
8	Kulloor Surplus	64	7	389	7	10	"	"	"	"	"	64	7	389	7	10	" 1 "	4	"	"
	Total	7930	69	52709	2	10	99	54	426	4	7	8030	23	53135	7	5	" " "	501	14	2
	Grand Total	27179	56	20988	1	5	1214	3	5063	5	3	30423	57	214151	6	8	" " "	3301	"	"

Indigo or Dist rent
Coorumboo Sibbendy
by moneagar
Amount entered in

the Service Lands granted to the Iyen Voikals when the Head was at yesanacoray and now enjoyed by others — 250 8 "

Talook Moyenzabitah on account of the Coorumboo Sibbendy 1,418 8 "

1,000 " "

Trichinopoly 2d December 1856.

/Signed/ J. Bird.
Collector

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No. 1.

No. 450.

To

I Bird Esqre

Collector of Trichinopoly

Sir

Referring to the Resolution No. 7888 on Ecstract of Minutes Consultation No. 2003 under Date 30th Ultimo I do myself the honor to request that you will favor me with your opinion as to the establishment requisite for the proper Conservancy of the Paulgoody Channels.

2. It appears to me that this Establishment should provide for the proper preservation of all the masonry works on the main and branch channels and the banks and puddagays as well as the Construction of Corumboos at the head and the Superintendance of the distribution of the water. But the repairs of masonry works and the annual clearances of Deposit from the Channels will of course be provided for by the usual ordinary Estimates.

you

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3. You are I believe aware that Major Lawford when at the upper anicut last July after a Conservation with me on the Subject prepared a rough draft of the Establishment which appeared to him Sufficient for the purpose to consist of 1 Superintendant 1 Maistry 1 Gomastah 6 Peons 50 Coolies at a Total annual charge of Rupees 1000 and that this should be in part provided for by an additional Voluntary Cess of 2 annas per cawny on land receiving the first supply of water and one anna on lands irrigated by Surplus water such a Cess would I believe in Paulgoody give an income of Rupees 3200 leaving 800 Rupees to be contributed by Government.

4. I am not aware of the grounds on which Major Lawford came to the Conclusion that lands irrigated by Surplus should pay less than those watered direct from the main. I believe it will be found that in the Paulgoody Talook the lands dependent on Surplases

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are better off generally than those watered direct from the main for instance the lands under the Pungoni are certainly better supplied than those under the Puttada Kaula.—

5. The strength of the Establishment proposed is I think barely sufficient for the efficient Superintendance and preservation of the works of irrigation in Poulgoody the pay for the Superintendant is large but as he would necessarily be in a position of trust and would be liable to temptations to dishonest conduct it would be perhaps unwise to pay him less.

6. Taking as the principal channels the Poothe Iyen the Vaduk Iyen the Therk Iyen the Kadavoi and Mullatoor the Peroovallay and Puttada Kaula and the Pungoonie there are of these alone at least one hundred and ten miles and the minor branches are probably seven times as much I estimate the number of Sluices to be between four and five hundred besides numerous Colingulahs and regulating Dams. There are also some very important masonry

masonry works such as the Rutnagoody and Peroomungalum anicuts the Therkody and Kodavoi Colingulahs the regulating dams and surplus sokes at Yessanacorray and the head Sluices at Vottalagoodaloor and Peroomungalum.—

7. For the proper conservancy of these works I believe the proposed establishment to be by no means more than is barely enough and I am indeed not prepared to say that I consider it even sufficient so long as the branches and Sluices are allowed to be so numerous.—

Trichinopoly 11th November 1856 } /signed/ J. G. Ryves—

No. 288.

To Lieutenant J. G. Ryves
District Engineer of
Trichinopoly—

Sir

I do myself the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 250 of date the

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the 11th Ultimo favoring me with your sentiments on the Subject of the Establishment requisite for the due Conservancy of the Paulgoody channels of irrigation as sanctioned and approved of by Government in Extract from the Minutes of Consultation No. 2003 under Date the 20th October 1856 and transmitted with the Chief Engineers Resolution No. 7888 of the 7th Ultimo.—

2. In my Letter to the Chief Engineer No. 1 of the 13th August last I concurred with Major Lawford in the necessity of providing better means for the Conservancy of the great irrigating channels of Paulgoody but I considered the establishment proposed for that purpose to be too high.—

3. Since the receipt of your letter now under reply and the Government Minutes on this Subject I have seen reason to consider my former opinion as erroneous and that if an organized establishment for the efficient working of these channels is to be entertained it must be equal to the duties required

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1. I would beg to suggest for your approval and subsequent submission for Sanction of the undermentioned number of Servants.—

5. This list I have drawn up after obtaining the opinion of the Talook Officers and the Strength and cost of the establishment seems better adapted to the exigency than that proposed by the Superintending Engineer of the Southern Circle Though the total amount cost is the same namely Rupees 4,000.—

Description

Description	Place where to do duty	No.	Rate of Salary per each	Amount of Salary per mensem	Amount of Salary per annum
			Rs a ℔	Rs a ℔	Rs a ℔
Superintendent	The inspecting Officer	1	50 " "	50 " "	600 " "
Maistry	——— Do. ———	1	14 " "	14 " "	168 " "
Goomastah	With the Superintendent	1	10 " "	10 " "	120 " "
Peons	Wherever directed	3	3 8 "	10 8 "	126 " "
Monegar	At the Head Sluice and Coorumboo	1	5 " "	5 " "	60 " "
Head Coolies	To be at the Head Sluices and at the working places	8	4 " "	32 " "	384 " "
Coorumboo men	To work for the Iyen the Caravullay and Nadookurray naut Channels	60	3 " "	180 " "	2160 " "
Shutter men	To be experienced persons and stationed at the Head Sluices	"	" " "	" " "	" " "
Sundries	———	"	" " "	" " "	82 " "
	Total Company's Rupees				4000 " "

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6. Asrequired by Government in the third para. of this minute I beg to submit a statement showing how much the lands watered by the Poulgoody channels will yield at the rates mentioned by Major Lawford.—

7 The Government and the Enam lands number 3042 3/2 Cawnies and these with a levy of 2 annas and 1 anna per cawnie according to irrigation will give a total annual yield of Rupees 3,301. To this sum must be added the assets Rupees 699 to be carried to account realized from certain Service and Quit rents, and the present pay of Sluice men, who would be no longer required. The entire asset to meet the new charge amounts to Rupees 4000 and will cover all cost Provided always the payments are punctual.—

	Rs a ℔	
Sodiga on Service lands	250 8 "	
Present pay of certain Establishments	448 8 "	
	669 " "	

8. I am of opinion the cess is a fair one and will

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will not be opposed by the people.

9. Should you consider with me in the apportionment of the proposed establishment I beg you to submit the letter and its accompaniment for the consideration of the Chief Engineer and eventual transmission to Government.

Trichinopoly
2d December 1856

/ Signed / J. Bird
Collector

To

No 312.

J. Bird Esqre
Collector of Trichinopoly

Sir

With reference to your letter No 288 of 2d Instant. I have the honor to request that you will inform me whether the land watered by the Nuddookaray nauttoo Vaikul is included in your Statement forwarded with your letter of the 2d Instant No 288.

2. I perceive that in the 5th para of your letter you included this channel as one to be cared for by the proposed Establishment.

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I do not think this would be found to work well in practice unless a certain portion of the Establishment could be detached permanently for that purpose say 10 men and a Maistry we should then require one additional Maistry and to provide for his pay. I am of opinion that the 3 peons proposed in your Scale may be dispensed with.

3. I would also recommend a separate Maistry for the Iyen Vaikal and Perovally one for each the Establishment would then stand thus.

No		Each grade per month	Total per month	Total per annum
1	Superintendant	30 - -	30 - -	600 - -
2	Maistries	14 - -	28 - -	336 - -
1	D°	10 8 -	10 8 -	126 - -
1	Gomastah	10 - -	10 - -	120 - -
1	Monegar	5 - -	5 - -	60 - -
8	Head Coolies	4 - -	32 - -	384 - -
60	Coolies	3 - -	180 - -	2160 - -
7	Shutter men	2 - -	17 8 -	210 - -
			333 - -	3996 - -

4. I shall be obliged by you informing me

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me whether you concur in the slight alteration proposed above and if so I will forward copies of this correspondence to the Chief Engineer with your original Statements shewing the cess proposed &c.a.

Sethanutham . . . } /Signed/ J. G. Ryves.
1th December 1856 }

No 298

To

Lieutenant J. G. Ryves

District Engineer of Trichinopoly

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 542 of date the 1th Instant.

2. My Statement enclosed in the letter No 288 of the 2d of this month embraces the entire river irrigated lands of Paulgoody Talook and in item No 1 you will find the Nuddoohara nauttoo Voikal put down as the nauttoo Voikaul.

3. I have no objection to offer to your amendment of the channel establishment. On the contrary I consider it better adapted than mine for the exigency of the Service.

Trichinopoly } /Signed/ J. Bird
8th December 1856 } Collector.

/True copies/
/Signed/ J. G. Ryves. Lieutt.
District Engineer Trichinopoly

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Ordered that the following Circular be sent.

Circular

Bd No 691

Circular to all Collectors including Madras - - - } Para 1. Sir, I am directed to transmit

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to you the accompanying printed copy of Extract Minutes of Consultation of Government under date the 9th February 1857 from which you will perceive that an arrangement has been made in respect to two channels in the District of Trichinopoly by which permanent Establishments have been substituted for the labour hitherto contributed by Land holders for the purpose of opening the heads and doing other work to the Channels, a cess of 2 as per acre being levied for their support, and that it has appeared to Government to be desirable that the plan should be introduced in all places suited to it. This term the Board understand to include works of irrigation of every description except wells.

2 I am instructed therefore to request that you will report how far the scheme can in your opinion be applied to the District under your charge. your report should include Estimates of the Establishment and their cost on

which

which you think will be required and of the sums which will be realized by the cess the rate of which is a point on which your opinion should be stated - where payments are now made by the Ryots for maramut purposes, as in some of the Northern Circars under the head of maramut Kist these should also be mentioned. The report should also be accompanied by a Statement of the principal Channels Tanks and other works of irrigation in your District. you should further mention any Enams or allowances which under the new System would appear to be resumable.-

3- In considering the subject you will bear in mind the following remark by Government- "It is necessary "that a distinction should be made between works which the Ryots are by custom bound to do, and those which have "hitherto been done by Government- The "rate of commutation should represent only "the former but the Establishment to be

maintained

"maintained out of the fund so raised might "properly be united with the Government Estab-lishment for the same channels and "Tanks."-

4 It has been proposed in Trichinopoly that lands watered by surplus water shall pay only half the cess levied on those watered direct from the channels, but the propriety of such a distinction is questioned and you are requested to consider the point and state your opinion thereon. you will also be so good as to suggest any provisions that you may think it desirable to insert in the legislative enactment contemplated by Government.-

5 The Board are desirous that the Subject should meet with early attention.-

Revenue Board Office. - -
Fort St George 5th March 1857.

(Signed) J. D. Sim
Actg Secretary.

Extract

3209 Fort St George 5th March 1857

Bd No 717

From the Chief Secretary to Government - - - } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Judicial Department under date the 20th February 1857.

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Communicating the sanction of the Government of India for the continuance for a further period of 6 Months of the additional Peon Establishment employed in the District of Chingleput under the orders of Government of date 22nd August last.

See No 216 in separate Volume P 220

174-75

Bd No 663

Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Chingleput.-

176

Bd No 718

From the Chief Secretary to Government - - - } Extract from the Minutes of consultation Judicial Department under date the 20th February 1857.-

Read the following letter from the Officiating under Secretary to

to the Government of India.-

Sanctions the entertainment of a Goomastah, on a Salary of Rupees 10 per Mensem in the Court of the District Moonsiff of Permagoody in the district of Madura.- (Here enter 29th Jany 1857 No 130).

Ordered that the Sanction of the Government of India for the entertainment of a Goomastah on a Salary of Rupees 10 per Mensem, in the Court of the District Moonsiff of Permagoody in the District of Madura be communicated to the Board of Revenue with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation 12th December 1856 No 1322, and to the Offices of account and audit.-

(A true Extract)

(Signed) T. Tyerman

Chief Secretary

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Bd No 666

Order thereon

Ordered be communicated to the Acting Collector of Madura.-

From

3211 Fort St George 5th March 1857.

B.- N.- 869
From the acting Sect.y to Government - - - - - } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department

178 Dated 3d March 1857.-

Authorizing the defence at the public expense of OS N.- 31 of 1856 instituted by Yelliah of Errode in the Subordinate Court of Salem against the Collector of that Dis- -trict.- } See N.- 224 in Separate Volumes.- P. 227

178-79
B.- N.- 690
Proceedings thereon.- Ordered to be com- -municated with copy of the Board's letter to the acting Collector of Salem.-

To

3212. Fort St George 5th March 1857.

N.- 209

To. J. D Sim Esq.
acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.

Sir

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B.- N.- 5295
From the Collector of Coimbatore - - - } With reference to my letter of the 8th Instant N.- 201 reporting on the Travellers Bungalows noted in the margin. I have the honor to forward copy of letter from the Commandant and Joint Magistrate of Ootacamund bearing date the 22nd Ultimo, and under the circum- -stances therein represented I request the Board of Revenue will be good enough to obtain the sanction of Government for the employment of a Pensioned Sepoy and a Sweeper in the Traveller's Bangalow at Ootacamund, as par- -ticularized marginally.-

Coonoor Kulhutty Ootacamund.-

1 †Sepoy amount of Batta per month Rupees - - 5 - - -
1 Sweeper pay for Do.- } 3 - - -

2 The rate of Batta to the Sepoy alluded to, is the same as sanctioned for the Coonoor and Kulhutty Bungalows in the Extract from the Proceedings of the Govern- -ment of India under date 27th April 1855.-

Coimbatore Collector's Office 15th December 1856. - - } (Signed) E B Thomas Collector

To

3213 Fort St George 5th March 1857

No 191

To

E. B. Thomas Esqr

Collector of Coimbatore

Sir,

1 With reference to your notice published in the Fort St George Gazette of the 11th Instant Page 713, I have the honor to request you will be good enough to obtain the sanction of Government for the entertainment of the Establishment of Peons &c noted in the Margin for the Travellers Bungalow at this station similar to those allowed to others on the Hills.

2 Much inconvenience has been experienced by a European Traveller arrived late yesterday evening, from Saint Thomas's Mount, enroute to Calicut from no one being present to procure supplies, or afford information, he was consequently obliged to resort to my Office for the key of the Bungalow and for the assistance he required.—

3— Pending the receipt of the sanction of Government on this head, may I request you will be kind enough to direct the Tahseldar to place two Peons there as a temporary measure.—

	Rs	ap
2 Peons @ 5 Rs each	10	—
1 Sweeper — — —	2	—
	12	—

Ootacamund Commandant and Joint Magistrates Office.
22nd November 1856. — — —

(Signed) G. P. Cameron. Lt Colr
Comt & Joint Magistrate
Nuddy herries.

(True Copy) (Signed) S. A. C Boswell
A.D.C. offg Sr & Collr

Proceedings

3214 Fort St George 5th March 1857

Bc No 670
Order thereon
(180-81)

Ordered that the above letter be submitted for the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council with the recommendation of the Board that the application may be complied with. The charge on account of Batta for the pensioned Sepoy will be — Rupees 5 and the pay of the Sweeper Rupees 3 per mensem.—

Read again List —

from the acting Collector of — Madura dated 31st December 1856 and entered in the Consultation 23rd January of Letters addressed to the Board of Revenue and remaining unanswered up to 31st December 1856.—

The

3215 Fort St George 5th March 1857.

Bd No 684.

Proceedings thereon.

(182)

The Board observe that on the 23d October 1856 they sanctioned the payment from the funds of the Shevagunga Zemindary of the amount recommended by the Collector in his letter dated 16th idem, and that on the 19th December 1856 they communicated to the Collector the orders of Government dated 12th idem on his application dated 20th October 1856 for a Police Armed Force to be stationed to the Permagoody Moody? & letters should not therefore appear in the above List.

3216 Fort St George 5th March 1857.

No 5

To,

J. D. Sim, Esqre

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue,

Fort St George.

(183)

Bd No 234.

From the Collector of Rajahmundry

Soliciting a reference to Bd's Proc of the 19th Sept 1855, authority for disbursing a sum not exceeding 19,000 Rs as Sucavy to the Salt Manufacturers for present season as a special case.

Sir,

With reference to the Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 1st September 1855, forwarded with the Extract from the Boards' Proceedings, dated 19th September on the subject of advances for Salt manufacture, and limiting the amount to be given in Fuslies 1265 and 1266, I have the honor to bring the following circumstance to the notice of the Board.-

2. The amount of advance sanctioned to be made in Fusly 1265, in this District, was Rupees 4,600- For Fusly 1266 the advance was limited to 2,200 Rupees For Fusly 1265 no advance was however made to the manufacturers.-

3 As the Board are aware the system of manufacture in this District is undergoing a change in consequence of

of the indifferent quality of the salt formerly produced, arrangements have been completed for introducing the System pursued in Nellore in this District, as it has been ascertained, by experiment made during last season, that salt of a quality equal or nearly so to that manufactured in Nellore, can be produced here.

4. As the alteration in the System entails expense, to the manufacturers, the cost of preparing the pans &c. in the first instance being much greater, they have applied for larger advances than the Sanctioned amount of Rupees 2,200, and they state that they shall be unable to pursue the new System, unless one quarter of the amount, payable for the Salt, at the rate of 7 Rupees and 4 Annas per garce, be given them.

5. The quantity of salt which it is proposed to manufacture this Season is 7,50,000 Maunds or 6,250 garces. The Board and

asked for is 11,600 Rupees, but they, as a special case, may be authorized to disburse a sum not exceeding 10,000 Rupees, including the sum already allowed, for the purpose required. Due care will of course be taken not to advance any portion of it without adequate security for repayment.

6. I should scarcely have thought it necessary to apply for so large an advance, had it not been that in consequence of the occurrence of two bad seasons, the Ryots are, in my opinion, unable to bear the extra expense of altering the pans, and I would bring to the notice of the Board that it will be unnecessary in subsequent Fasleis, to make any advance to the Ryots, as the works, once started on the new System, will go on without greater expense than it took to repair the old pans. It being necessary to commence the works at once

× For the manufacture of salt.

once, I have held out hopes to the Ryots that such advances will on this occasion be given, and beg to be favored with as early a reply as convenient.—

Rajahmundry District,
Collector's Office,
Raghoodavapooram,
8th January 1837

/Signed/ A. Purvis,
Collector

Bd's No. 698.

Proceedings thereon.

(183-82)

Resolved that the foregoing letter be submitted for the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council with reference to Contract Minute Consultation, dated 4th September 1835, Revenue Department, No. 1012, P. 10 @ 13.—

2. The Collector states that arrangements have been made for introducing the mode of manufacture pursued in Nellore in order to improve the quality of the salt produced in his district, and that, to enable the manufacturers to carry out the new system an advance of 10,000 Rupees, including the sum of Rupees 2,200 already sanctioned

C.D.R. Vol 24, Page 86.

*From Government 4th in Cons. 19th Sept. 1835. No. 1012, R.D.

is necessary as the manufacturers, in consequence of the occurrence of two bad seasons, are unable to bear the extra expense which will be entailed upon them by the alteration of their pans, &c.—

3. The quantity of salt proposed to be manufactured is 750,000 Maunds or 6,250 Garce, the Goodevaram or manufacturers share on which, at the rate of 7 Rupees 7 Annas per garce, amounts to Rupees 46,484-6- or more than four times the advance applied for.—

4. The Goodevaram was lately raised* by Rupees per old garce, but the increase of price does not meet the want of capital for preliminary outlay on the pans— The Board regard this case as altogether exceptional, and consider the improvement of the Rajahmundry salt as a matter of great importance— It has within their knowledge that the Collectors first attempts with that view, have been attended with success— They beg therefore to support the Collector's recommendation, that special sanction be granted for the disbursement

*From Government 4th in Cons. 15th Feb. No. 128 R.D.

of a sum not exceeding Rupees 10,009 in advance for the manufacture of salt in Fasly 1266, adequate security being taken from the manufacturers for the repayment of the amount from their Coodevaram—

From Government Ins Cons: 19th September 1856 No 1012, R. D.

5. The advance of Rupees 4,600, sanctioned in Fasly 1265, was not issued to the manufacturers, shewing that, under ordinary circumstances, such assistance is unnecessary—

No 8.

To,

J. D. Sim, Esqre

Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue Fort St George

185

Bd No 296.

From the Collector of Nellore

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 2d January 1857, communicating a Resolution of the Government of India, sanctioning the Grant of pensions to the

the Widow, daughter, and eldest grandson of Syed Moostafa Ally Khan—

2. I request that I may be furnished with a detailed list of the amount payable to each, which has not been given, and be informed from what date the pensions are to commence—

Nellore District, Collectors' Office, Davarayapuram 16th January 1857—

[signed] H. B. Elton, Collector.

Order thereon. 185-86

Ordered to be submitted with the following letter.—

To, The Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department

Bd No 675.

To The Acting Secretary to Government—

Sir,

In Cons: 2d January 1857.

In Extract Minutes of Consultation, dated 17th December last, No 1324, the pensions payable to each member of the family of the late Moostapha Ally Khan, descendant of the Ex-Jaghiredar of Wandiwash, not stated, nor the date from which it is to commence, I am therefore desired

directed by the Board of Revenue to re-
quest instructions on these points for
the guidance of the Collector in the dis-
bursement of the allowance.—

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St George,
5th March 1857.

signed J. D. Sim,
Acting Secretary.

No 19.

To,

J. D. Sim, Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.

187

Bd No 424.

From the Collector of
Sea Customs, Madras

Sir,

I have the honor to forward to
you, for transmission to Government, the
accompanying letter from Messrs Binny
and Co: soliciting on behalf of the owners
the Screw Steamers on the grounds stated
that the Port dues may be remitted in the
Port of Madras in the same manner
as has been done at the Mauri-
tius.—

2. It occurs to me to observe
the Government and the community
at large in India have a direct interest
in

dated 21st
January 1857.

in the success of any scheme which may
preclude the conveyance of Goods, Passen-
gers and the Mails from being monopolized
by any one company, and that it would
be highly incompedient, for the sake of the
small profit which Government might
derive from the Port dues, to press the collec-
tion, and induce Mr Lindsay to abandon
the experiment—The countenance given by
Government by the remission of the Port dues
will be of more advantage to the parties
than the pecuniary benefit derived, and I would
respectfully submit for consideration
the expediency of granting the remission
for 12 months.—

3. At the end of that period the pro-
priety of continuing the indulgence might
form matter of consideration.

Sea Custom House,
Madras,
26th January 1857

signed W. E. Underwood,
Collector.

To,
The Collector
of Sea Customs.

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence
that we have had with your Department
on

on the subject of a remission of the usual Port dues in the case of the Auxiliary Screw Steamers we have the honor to state that we have again heard from Mr W. S. Lindsay on the subject. He says.—

"As regards the grounds upon "which I request that my ships may be freed from "the ordinary port dues, I may observe that my "position is quite different to either the Peninsular and Oriental Company or the late General "Screw Company. The former have so large "a grant from the Government "that they can afford to do without that which, "to me, is a boon.— When it is remembered that "a single individual has undertaken to perform "a service, which a large Company failed to do; "that by means of my Steamers a regular "communication is kept up twice a "month, between your port and Mauritius "and the Cape of Good Hope, that by my Steam"ers the chain of postal communication, "connecting India, China, Australia, Mauri"tius and the Cape Colony is completed. I think "I have a right to expect the great"est support and encouragement

which

"which can be offered by those ports and co"munities which are benefited by my exer"tions— The Government of the Mauritius "fully alive to the advantages to be derived "from this line, have at once acceeded to my "request and freed me from these heavy port "charges, and I trust your Government will "evince their sense of the importance of the "undertaking by acting in the same liberal "spirit— I need scarcely say that the expenses of a line of Packets of this descrip"tion are very great, and as the returns are "based upon a calculation which will "leave but a very moderate interest upon "the investment, I require, every support "which can be given by both Government "and community."

May we request you will be good enough to submit the question again to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council for his favorable consideration with special reference to the above ob"servations.—

Madras 21st January 1857. } (signed) Messrs Binny & Co.

Madras

Messrs

3225. Fort St George, 5th March 1857.

Bd No 693.

Resolution thereon (187-88)

Messrs Binny and Co refer to some previous correspondence as having taken place regarding the proposed remission of Port dues to Mr Lindsay's Auxiliary screw steamers - The Board request that the Collector of Sea Customs will quote the communications which have passed on the subject and furnish copies of the same if they are not already on the Records of the Board.

2. Mr Underwood will also specify the amount of port dues, which would probably have to be given up, if Mr Lindsay's request is complied with. —

V.

Statement

3226.

Bd No 580

Statement of South Arcot &c

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Number on List Registers	Names	Sanction of the Board of Revenue	Remarks
1	2	9	10
73	Vencatasa		

South

Collectors &c for

Cuddalore

Fort St. George 5th March 1857

Bd's No. 681

Remarks thereon

189-90

The Board authorize the disbursement of the arrears due to Venkatasa Naick, Vizt. Rupees 21 and the continuance of his Pension, the Collector satisfying himself as to the identity of the pensioner before making the payment.

191

Bd's No. 440

From the Collector of Rajahmundry: Read Statement of Smuggled Salt confiscated under Regulation I of 1805 for January

Bd's No. 676

Proceedings thereon

191-92

The Board of Revenue authorize the confiscation of the Salt entered in the foregoing Statement and the disbursement to the Seizers of their Share of the sale proceeds, the remainder being carried to the credit of Government.

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No. 477

J. D. Sim Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Bd's No. 757

From the Acting Collr. of Salem

Sir

Fort St. George

I have the honor to request for the information and orders of the Board of Revenue that the Salem Cauzee

Cauzee Abdool Khader presented to Mr. Bratt a Petition in May last Stating that his Enam lands to the extent of 5-29-1 A. G. As. assessed at 54-5-11 registered in his name as well as in the name of Sycd Boozroog were occupied by the Tank in the village of Paulputty in the Mootah of Koolangoorchy when the Mootahdar extended and improved the Tank and requesting that the Mootahdar may be directed to give him fresh land in the place of his old lands taken up for the Tank.

2. The Petition was referred to the Tahsildar for enquiry and the records on the subject show that the Mootahdar had already agreed to give the Enamdars in exchange the land specified in the Margin and

x In the Village of Paulputty

		Extent	Remark.
Summoonum	1-10-6	4-19-15	141-1-11
Poonjah	3-2-		
Seeruvaiyah one third on loan lands for Punjah Cultivation	4-0-4-10-2-		
Total	6-14-5-54-5-11		

and that these lands are equivalent in
value to the original Enam lands.

3. The lands are now in the possession
of the Enamdars and the former
Puttahdar Chinniah Moodely had no
objection to those lands having been taken away from

4. Under these circumstances I request
the authority of the Board to register the
lands specified in the above para in the
names of the Petitioner and his joint Enam
dars Syed Boozroog in lieu of the lands taken
up by the Mootahdars.

Salem . . . . . }
Collector's Office . . . . . } Signed / I. W. Cherry
Salem 16th February 1857 } Acting Collector

B/c No 864
Proceedings thereon.
193.94

The Board
see no objection to the exchange of lands
which has been voluntarily offered
by the parties interested, and authorize the

Acting

Acting Collector to make the proposed
registry.

No 29

To J. D. Sim Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

195
B/c No 740
From the Asst Coll.r
of Salem

Sir,

I have the honor to forward
a Statement shewing the extent
and particulars of certain lands on
the Shervaroy Hills for which Lieutenant
Norton applied for Coffee cultivation and
to request that the application may
be complied with.

Salem Collector's }
Office, Salem 17th } Signed / I. W. Cherry
February 1857 } Acting Collector

Statement

3231

Fort St. George 5th March 1857.

Statement shewing the extent of land applied for, for Cultivation of Coffee on the Shervaroy Hills in the Salem Talook for Fusly 1266
in the Zillah of Salem.-

1 Name of the Applicants	2 Name of the Village	3 Name of the field	4 Gross value & period the land is waste	5 Extent	6 Estimated value of the lands entered in Col 5 at an upset price of 8 Rupees per acre	7 Assessment	(As per Board's letter dated 8th Sept 1842) 8 Free for five years to lands left waste upwards of 20 years.- Extent	9 Apptd	10 Full Assessment on lands left waste upwards of 20 years Extent	11 Apptd	12 Remarks
Lieutenant Norton	Attoor & Mackleod & Murray	Garoy Pauroy Candoo Situated South to Paumboo cullattoo North to Muttay Cottay west to Mosapidy cairattoo and east to Shervaroy River	Immemorial	40 a a	320 a a	40 a	40 a a	40 a a	a a a a a a	a a a a a a	The applicant has given in Durkast Mocchilka offering to take the land for Coffee Cultivation from Fusly 1266 for a term of 21 years and upwards free of Assessment for the first five years. He agrees to pay the Assessment whether the lands be cultivated or not and to submit to any modification in the present rate of Assessment which may hereafter be introduced by Government. He further agrees to the resumption of the land in the event of its not being brought under cultivation within 3 years from the date of its grant to the construction of the Roads through it by Government wherever required to the formation at his own cost of boundary marks to his entire holding and to the prohibiting him from cutting down without orders large and valuable standing thereon if there be any. The applicant is able to conduct the cultivation conforming the above Stipulations. He holds no other lands on the Hills. The Malyalies having received 30 days notice made no objection to the land being given to the applicant. I therefore recommend the application for sanction.-

Salem Collector's Office, Salem 17th February

Signed J. W. Cherry
Acting Collector

8232 Fort St. George 5th March 1857

Bd No. 680
Proceedings thereon
(195.96)

The Board of Revenue authorize the grant of the land alluded to in the Statement which accompanies the foregoing letter on the conditions proposed.

No. 24

To,
J. D. Sim Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

(197)
Bd No. 736

Sir,

From the Coll.r of Coimbatore

I have the honor to forward copy of a letter from General B. Kennett applying for a piece of land at Coonoor measuring 8 Ground and 600 Square feet and to request the sanction of the Board for putting up the same to public auction.

Dated 13th Instant

2 The land applied for is very small, and the boundaries fully Specified in the above letter consequently no plan was prepared.

The

C.B

3233 Fort St. George 5th March 1857.

3 The upset price on the land calculated at 8 years Duit rent at 1-2 4 per Cawny amounts to 3-2 5 and the occupancy of the land by General Kennett is unobjectionable.

Coimbatore Collector's Office 18th February 1857

(Signed) E. B. Thomas
Collector

No. 1.

To, E. B. Thomas
Collector of Coimbatore

Sir,

Will you be good enough to apply to the Board of Revenue for the sale of a piece of land contiguous to my property at Coonoor measuring (8) eight grounds (600) Six hundred square feet on the usual terms. This land is bounded on the west by my property on the North East and South by a public road.

Coonoor February 1857

(Signed) B Kennett
General

True Copy
(Signed) E. B. Thomas
Collector

3234 Fort Saint George 5th March 1857.

B.N. 688

Proceedings thereon

(197-98)

Under paras VI and VII of the manual of Instructions for the grant of lands on the Neilgherries the Board of Revenue agreeably to the recommendation of the Collector directs that the land applied for by General Kennett measuring 8 Grounds and 600 Square feet be put up to public Auction at the upset price of Rs 32 calculated at 8 years Quit rent and that it be Knocked down to the highest bidder or to the Applicant if there no advance on the upset price subject to the conditions and limitations of the said Manual.

No. 58.

To

J. D. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

(199)

B. No. 723

Sir,

From the Collector of Tinnevelly

With reference to Contra from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

3235 Fort Saint George 5th March 1857.

dated 9th Instant, I have the honor to inform you that of the other two Chuttrums therein referred to one now under construction at Colpully is likely to be finished within a few months and the remaining one, will be commenced only, after the proposed new line of Road from Palamcottah to Tutacorin has been constructed.

Another Chuttrum sanctioned by Government under date the 19th December 1853, to be erected at Alagheapandiapooram, will also be finished within a few Months, on the completion of these two Chuttrums an application for an Establishment for the three Chuttrums will be submitted for sanction.

Tinnevelly Collectors Circuit Cutcherry Trechendoor 19th February 1857.

(Signed) I Silver Collector

Ordered to be recorded.

(199-200)

Order thereon

To

3236 Fort Saint George 5th March 1857.

No. 57

To,

I. D. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

Sir,

(201.)

Bd. No. 760.

From the Collector of Chingleput — I have the honor to request sanction for retaining permanently at Covelong a triangle and a pair of scales with the necessary weights furnished by the Collector of Madras for weighing Salt, there being none at present at that Pan pending the receipt of the balances proposed to be supplied by the Board of Revenue in Extract from their Proceedings dated the 20th February 1856.

Chingleput District
Collector's Circuit Cutcherry
Chingleput 20th February
1857.

(Signed) C. J. Shubrick
Collector

(201-202)

Bd. No. 678.

Proceedings thereon — The Board see no objection to the proposed retention of the Triangle &c. if they can be spared by the Collector of Madras.

To

3237 Fort St. George 5th March 1857.

No. 23

To,

I. D. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

Sir

(203)

Bd. No. 771.

From the Collector of Trichinopoly — As directed by Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue under date the 30th January 1854 forwarding Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 6th January same year I have the honor to report on the state of the Records in the Huzzoor and Taluk Cutcherries of the District —

Reports on the State of the Records in the Huzzoor and Taluk Cutcherries of the District.

2. The English Records in my office, are in a satisfactory state well kept and bound up as soon as the year expires — The Tamil and Mahratta Duftors are on the whole in good condition —

3. The reports furnished me by the Tahsildars of the state of their Records are of the most

part

past satisfactory, In the Talooks of Conaud and Mooseny there were quantities of old Sayer and Dawaistanum papers as well as Tapsal chits, which are of no use whatever I have in anticipation of your Boards sanction ordered these papers to be destroyed—

During my Tour in the District last year I visited and inspected most of the Talook records and purpose viewing all the Talook Cutcherries this season during my Circut

Trichinopoly District—
Voytullaygoodalore
Collector's Circuit Cutcherry
23d. February 1857
B.C. No. 683.
Proceedings thereon
203 204

} Signed J. Bird
Collr

The Board authorize the Collector to destroy the useless records referred to lists of them being duly preserved—

The Collectors report of

of the state of the records is very satisfactory and the Board approve of his intention of inspecting the Talook records in the course of his tour through the District—

Received the undermentioned

205 Mis. No. 512 From the Acting Collector of Ganjam— Return of Miscellaneous letters and Statements

206 Mis. No. 514 From the Collector of Rajahmundry— Reporting fines imposed and Stoppages made during the 4th Quarter of 1856

207 Mis. No. 515 From the Collector of Nellore— Reporting cases that no Return of cases under Regulation IX of 1822 for the past month has been sent for want of entries— Season Report for February 1857.

208 Mis. No. 516 From the Collector of Chingleput, Season Report for February 1857—

209 Mis. No. 518 From the Collector of South Arcot Season Report for February 1857—

210 Mis. No. 517 From the Collector of Salem— Season Report

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My No 513 Report for February 1857.

From the Collector of South Arcot — Reports that

no Exports or Imports

have taken place during

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A After last month —

My No 511

From the Acting Collector of Guntoor — Forwarding

an Indent for Salt —

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Rowannahs —

My No 511

From the Collector of Tinnevelly — Regis[ter]

of Petitions for January

1857 —

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue Friday the 6th March 1857

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Bd No 71.

From the Secretary to Government —

Read the following Papers.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department Dated 2d January 1857 —

Communicating a letter from the Persian and Hindoostanee Translator to Govern[ment] on the subject of the tenure of 2 documents purporting to be Engagements by His Highness the late Nabob Mohamed Ally and dated 5th Shawal 1203 — /See No 3 in separate Volume/ P. 228

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Bd No 696

Order thereon —

Ordered that the following Endorsement be passed on Petition No 2183 of 1856 —

From

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From the reply of the Ten-
=sian Translator to Government
communicated in the Extract
Minutes Consultation of the
2nd January 1857. the Board learn
that the documents submitted
by the Petitioners do not war-
-rant the continuance of the
Village of Jellacherly on quit
rent after the demise of Mun-
=she Habeeboollah Petitioners
grand father—

The Petitioners prayer can-
=not therefore be complied
with.—

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3243 Fort Saint George 6th March 1857.

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No 6

To J. D. Sim, Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue,
Fort St George.

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Bd No 203.
From the Collector
of Trichinopoly } Sir,

Adverting to my letter, No 201
of date the 19th November 1856, and to your Board's
Order's thereon, No 4009, dated the 1st December,
I do myself the honor to report that out of the
Rs 1481-4-10. × arrears due Rupees 1,367-7-4 were paid up
by 8 defaulters with interest prior to the
day of Sale.—
The remaining 3 defaulters referred to
in the accompanying Statement, not being
able to meet the demand against them, Rupees
113-13-6 their lands were put up for Sale
and realized Rupees 168-"-" which
covers in full the arrear with interest.—
3. There is a surplus sum of Rupees
47-4-4 due to these defaulters which
amount I request the Sanction of your
Board to refund.—

Trichinopoly
Collector's Office,
8th January 1857 } Signed J. Bird,
Collector—

Statement.

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Fort St George 6th March 1857.

No. 1

Statement shewing the result of the Sale of land in the Villages of Attagoody Vce, in the Talook of Coiaud, in the District of Trichinopoly, in the Month of January 1857.—

Numbers	Names of the Defaulters	Names of the Villages	Particulars of balances: Sharers	Amount	Amount of balances paid prior to the Sale	Remaining Balance	Description of Land	Particulars of Land Sold: Sharers	Total Amount realized by Sale	Amount of Balances	Interest	Advance Amount	Total	Names of the Purchasers
				Rs A P		Rs A P	Currency		Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	
1.	Sungarasastree	Attacody	1265 6 1 11	" " "		6 1 11	Nunjah	" "	2 8 3 19	6 1 11	"	6 1 12 8	" 19	" "
2.	Chokalingum pillay	[Salumpa Vdee]	Do	97 10 8	" " "	97 10 8	Do	1 97	6 2 " 115	" " 97 10 8	5 14 4	11 7 "	115	" "
3.	Arogum Codaran		Do	Do 10 . 11	4 " 4	10 " 11	Do	2 24	9 1 " 34	" " 10 . 11	" 9 9	23 5 4	34	" "
				113 13 6	" " "	113 13 6	"	4 79	17 11 3 168	" " 113 13 6	6 14 2	47 4 4	168	" "

Trichinopoly
8th January 1857

[Signed] J. Bird
Collector

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3245 Fort St. George 6th March 1857

Bd No 702.

Proceedings thereon.

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The Board of Revenue confirm the sale of the lands alluded to in the Statement which accompanies 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.

2. The above order is passed on the supposition, that the sales in question were effected before the promulgation of act XXIII of 1856 in the District, should this not have been the case, the sales must be annulled, and process issued under that enactment if necessary.

To

3246 Fort St. George 6th March 1857

No 22

To

J. D. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

Sir

I have the honor, with reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue of the 2d December last, to submit the information called for on that days Proceedings of the 25th April 1856.

2. The accompanying 4 Statements exhibit the extent of Cultivable, Ayacut land, and Poromboke, and the Assessment of the three Villages rented by the Jaghiredar of Anilcondah. The extent of Cultivation is that of fusly 1257. the greatest during the last 10 years.

3. In a personal interview with the Jaghiredar I informed him of the wish of the Board that the Ryots of those Villages should receive the same modification of Assessment, as

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Bd. No 387

From the Collector of North Arcot

With reference to the Board's Proceedings of the 2d December last submitting the information therein called for regarding the three Villages rented by the Pensioned Jaghiredar of Anilcondah

as is to be made elsewhere, and I requested of him to state, whether he was desirous that a money stipend should be substituted for the present arrangement.-

In reply he said that he was unwilling to relinquish the lease, and again urged that in the event of his making any reduction of Assessment, the amount of rent might obtain a Corresponding deduction. I pointed out to him that, according to the accounts furnished by the Curnums of the Villages there were 371 Cawnies of Cultivable waste, assessed at 1,535 Rupees, a great part of which might reasonably be expected to be Cultivated as the Sughiredar did not appear to admit the Correctness of these accounts, I recommended to examine them, and then address me on the subject.-

3 On the 30th Ultimo, I received his reply translation of which, I beg to enclose. The Sughiredar impugnes generally the correctness of

of the accounts shewing the extent of Cultivable land, but does not enter into sufficient detail to shew to what extent they are incorrect.-

4 As the Sughiredar is unwilling to avail himself of the option of relinquishing the lease, and as a reduction of the Assessment will bring into Cultivation, a part at least of the Cultivable waste, and so benefit the renter, there do not appear to be any just grounds for reducing the terms of the lease

North Arcot.
Collectors Circuit Cutcherry.
Trivettoor.
5th February
1857.

Signed H. Whittinghame
Collector

Statement

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Fort St. George 6th March 1857

No. 1

Statement Shewing the Extent of Cultivable and Waste Lands &c. in the Rented Village of Toongoondrum in the Pulicondah Sagheer for Fusly 1267 prepared with reference to an Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 25th April 1856.

Item	Poonjah Extent	Poonjah Teerwah	Nunjah Extent	Nunjah Teerwah	Total Extent	Total Teerwah	Total Extent	Total Teerwah
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	C. A. a. S.	Rs. a. S.	C. A. a. S.	Rs. a. S.	C. A. a. C.	Rs. a. S.	C. A. a. C.	Rs. a. S.
Total Ayacut	2370 11 12	- - -	297 6 4	- - -	- - -	- - -	2668 - 12	- - -
Deduct								
Cultivable	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -
Poramboke Waste	1458 1 8	- - - -	60 8 - -	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	1518 9 8	- - - -
Total	1458 1 8	- - - -	60 8 - -	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	1518 9 8	- - - -
Remaining	912 9 4	3048 2 9	236 14 -	3600 13 6	- - - -	- - - -	1149 7 4	6649 - 3
Deduct Jaurea Manieam	117 2 8	423 7 10	29 - 4	535 1 3	- - - -	- - - -	146 2 12	962 9 1
Remaining for Circar	789 - 4	2492 7 11	206 3 4	3032 1 1	8 1 -	163 14 2	1003 4 8	5686 7 2
Deduct								
Amildary allr. Cultivable	125 4 -	389 13 -	22 - -	280 4 -	- 3 4	0 11 6	147 7 4	674 6 6
Total	303 10 4	788 10 4	54 4 4	631 - 7	3 1 8	61 10 2	361 - -	1481 5 1
Remaining	485 6 -	1703 13 7	151 15 -	2399 - 6	4 15 8	102 4 -	642 4 8	4205 2 1
Bogajastee	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	137 3 4
Total	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	4342 5
Deduct								
Boganeshtee	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	342 9 -
Cowle Royaget	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	699 12 6
Royaget at 12½ per Cent	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	500 - 3
Total	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	1542 5 9
Remaining	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	2,800 3 8
Ready money pay. Topadaiyem	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	60 13 10
Moturpha	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	21 - -
Manium Jodee	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	122 8 11
Total	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	204 6 9
Grand Total	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	3004 10 5
Particulars	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	
Ein Circar	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	2932 10 -
Mairahs	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	
Monyem	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	9 11 9
Curreum	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	62 4 8
Total	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	72 - 5
Grand Total	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	3004 10 5

North Arcot Coll.r Circuit Cutcherry Tirvettoor 9th February 1857

Signed C. Whittinghame
Collector
Statement

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No 2

Statement Shewing the Extent of Cultivable and Waste lands &c. in the Rented Village of Condeereddypully in the Arnicandah Jaghire for fasly 1257 prepared with reference to an Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 25th April 1856.

Item	Ponjah Extent	Ponjah Teerwah	Nunjah Extent	Nunjah Teerwah	Total Extent	Total Teerwah	Total Extent	Total Teerwah
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Cs. as. Rs. as. ps.	Cs. as. Rs. as. ps.	Cs. as. Rs. as. ps.	Cs. as. Rs. as. ps.	Cs. as. Rs. as. ps.	Cs. as. Rs. as. ps.	Rs. as. ps.	Rs. as. ps.
Total Ryoteé Ayacut	97 2 8	23 13					120 15 8	
Cultivable								
Pannibeh Waste	3 1 12	2 8 4					5 10	
Total	3 1 12	2 8 4					5 10	
Remaining	94	308 9	21 4 12	205 5 8			115 5 8	513 15 3
Deduct Jaare Maniem	12 11	35 9	2 4 4	22 12 11			14 15 4	58 6 6
Remaining	79 8 4	227 2 9	19 4 12	182 8 9	1	138	45 13 3	100 6 8	455 8 9
Deduct								
Saluvai Bangu Cultivable	14 6 12	45 2 3	14 4 12	136 12 4	4 8 8	11 3 5	29 4 4	195 2 4
Remaining	65 1 8	180 4 6	5 4 4	45 12 5	1 5 4	34 9 10	71 6 8	260 6 9
Bogajastie								11 5
Total								261. 2. 2.
Coorla Regayet								24 13 6
Regayet at 12½ per Cent								13 7 3
Total								48 4 8
Remaining								212 13 6
Ready money payment — Tofiadayem								10 15 10
Total								223 13 4
Particulars.								
Enii Circar								222 15 4
Mairahs.								
Maneii								2 8
Curnum								11 4
Total								14
Grand Total								223 13 4

North Arcot, Collectors Circuit Cutcherry Trivuttoor 5th February 1857.

Signed C: Whittinghame. Collector.

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No. 3. Statement shewing the extent of Cultivable and Waste lands &c. in the Rented Village of Bookputnum in the Avelcondah Jaghire for fusly 1257 prepared with reference to an Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 25th April 1856.

Item.	Poonjah. Extent	Poonjah. Teerwah	Nunjah Extent	Nunjah Teerwah	Totacal. Extent	Totacal. Teerwah	Total. Extent	Total. Teerwah
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Total Ayacut	668 11 0 0		71 4 8				739 15 8	
Porumpoke Cultivable	9 12 1		1 10 8				11 6 12	
Waste	223 15 0		6 3 8				230 2 8	
Total	233 11 4		7 14 0				241 9 4	
Remaining	434 15 12	1638 11 4 10	63 6 8	871 1 0			498 6 4	2509 15 10
Deduct Jaury Mauniums	57 7 8	252 11 4	11 1 8	171 4 6			68 9 0	424 2 6
Remaining for Circar	374 7 8	1315 0 3	52 5 0	699 12 6	3 0 12	71 0 7	429 13 4	2085 13 4
Deduct.								
Salvar Cultivable	22 11 4	68 6 7	7 12 4	85 3 3	1 2 12	42 12 3	31 10 4	196 6 1
bunjer. Waste								
Total	22 11 4	68 6 7	7 12 4	85 3 3	1 2 12	42 12 3	31 10 4	196 6 1
Deduct.								
Annaty Cultivable	85 2 0	291 13 11	0 0 3	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	84 5 10 1	85 10 4 297 8 0
Deduct							26 7 0	90 5 6
Total Cultivable	111 9 0	382 3 5	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	84 5 10 1	112 1 4 387 13 6
Total Added Porumpoke fit for Cultivation	107 13 4	360 4 6	7 12 4	85 3 3	1 11 0	48 6 4	117 4 8	493 14 1
	9 12 4	34 2 11	1 10 8	5 8 4	0 0 0	0 0 0	11 6 12	39 11 3
Total	117 9 8	394 7 5	9 6 12	90 11 7	1 11 0	48 6 4	128 11 4	533 9 4
Waste	26 7 0	90 5 6	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	26 7 11	90 5 6
Total exclusive of Porumpoke land	134 4 4	450 10 0	7 12 4	85 3 3	1 11 0	48 6 4	143 11 8	584 3 7
Rayajeety Remaining								1501 9 9
Bogajeasty								74 13 0
Total								1576 6 9
Deduct. Cowle Rogayet								218 1 6
Rogayet at 12½ per Cent								135 10 0
Total								353 11 6
Remaining								1222 11 3
Ready money in payment Topadayem								23 13 6
Motursha								3 11 1
Total								27 11 7
Grand Total								1250 6 10

Particulars

Ein Circar	1237 14 6
Mauiah	
Manieu	3 15 10
Curnum	8 8 6
Total	12 8 4
Grand Total	1250 6 10

North Arcot Collector's Circuit Cutcherry Trivettoor 5th February 1857. / Signed / C. Whittingham.

Collector

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No. 4. Statement shewing the Extent of Cultivable and Waste lands &c. in the Three Rented Villages in the Avilcondah Jaghire for fusly 1257 prepared with reference to an Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 25th April 1856.

Item.	Poonjah. Extent	Poonjah. Teerwah.	Nunjah Extent	Nunjah Teerwah	Totacal Extent	Totacal Teerwah	Total Extent	Total Teerwah
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Cs. A C	Rs. A P	Cs. A P	Rs. A P	Cs. A C	Rs. A P	Cs. A C	Rs. A P
Total Ayacut	3136 8 4	" "	392 7 8	" "	" "	" "	3528 15 12	" "
Porumboke Cultivable	9 12 4	" "	1 10 8	" "	" "	" "	11 6 12	" "
Porumboke Waste	168 5 2 4	" "	69 3 12	" "	" "	" "	1764 6 "	" "
Total	1694 11 8	" "	76 14 4	" "	" "	" "	1765 12 12	" "
Remaining	1441 9 12	4995 11 2	321 9 4	4677 1 2	" "	" "	1763 3 "	9672 15 4
Deduct Manieu	187 5 "	715 15 5	42 5 12	729 2 8	" "	" "	229 13 12	1445 2 1
Remaining for Circar	1243 " "	4034 10 11	277 9 "	3912 6 4	12 15 4	280 12 "	1533 8 4	8227 13 3
Deduct. Sobiar Bunjor Cultivable	215 8 4	514 6 2	54 1 4	572 2 2	4 9 8	111 14 4	274 3 "	1198 6 8
Sobiar Bunjor Waste	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "
Total	215 8 4	514 6 2	54 1 4	572 2 2	4 9 8	111 14 4	274 3 "	1198 6 8
Deduct Bunjor Waste	85 2 "	291 13 11	" " "	" " "	8 4 5	10 1 35	10 4	397 8 "
Total	236 13 "	772 " 5	22 " "	280 14 "	" 11 8	9 5 7	259 8 8	1062 4 "
Deduct Cultivable	300 10 4	806 4 1	54 1 4	572 2 2	6 1 12	117 8 5	359 13 4	1495 11 8
Add porumboke land fit for Cultivation	9 12 4	34 2 11	1 10 8	5 8 4	" " "	" " "	11 6 12	39 11 3
Total.	310 6 8	840 7 "	55 11 12	577 10 6	5 1 12	117 8 5	371 4 "	1505 9 11
Waste	151 11 "	480 2 6	22 " "	280 14 "	" 3 4	3 11 6	173 14 4	764 12 "
Total exclusive of Porumboke land	452 5 4	1286 6 7	76 1 4	853 " 2	5 5 "	121 3 11	533 11 8	2260 10 8
Remaining	790 10 12	2748 4 4	201 7 12	3059 6 2	7 10 4	159 8 1	999 12 12	3967 2 7
Bogajastee	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	212 15 9	
Total	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	6180 2 4	
Bogajastee	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	342 9 "	
Deduct: Coule Rayet	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	952 11 5	
Rayet at 12½ per Cent	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	619 1 6	
Total	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	1914 5 11	
Remaining	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	4235 12 5	
Ready money payment. Tostadayem	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	95 11 2	
Ready money payment. Moturpha	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	21 14 1	
Ready money payment. Manieu Jody	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	122 8 11	
Total	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	243 2 2	
Grand Total	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	4478 14 7	
Particulars. Eni Circar	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	4393 7 10	
Mairah Manieu	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	13 14 3	
Curnum	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	71 8 6	
Total	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	85 6 9	

Eni Circar Beriz ——— 4393 7 10
Permanent Rent of the Villages — 3300 " "
Profit enjoyed by the Jagiredar ——— 1093 7 10

North Arcot, Collector's Circuit Cutcherry, Trivettore, 5th Febuary 1857. (Signed) C. Whittingham.
Collector.

Fort St. George 6th March 1857.

Translation of a Rhut addressed to Charles Whittingham Esqr. Collector of North Arcot by Hoossain Doost Khan, Pensioned Jaghiredar of Anilcondah.—

(After usual compliments)

I have received the Statement forwarded with your Rhut of the 26th December last of waste lands situated in Tongundarum &c. Villages included in my Permanent Ezara, & I have looked into the Statement according to your Orders, and as the figures are wrong I herewith return it.

From the date on which I rented these Villages up to this moment a period of 30 years in one year only has there been any increase of revenue. In some years there has been a great falling off in the Revenue.

In the Statement forwarded to me it is shewn that lands assessed at Rupees 1,500 are fit for Cultivation. I can only rejoice at seeing such large figures representing the lands considered fit for Cultivation. How lands that have been waste for the last 30 years can be supposed to yield any profit. I am at a loss to understand. If you will but consider over the matter you will be

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be convinced of the truth of my assertion. The lands that are usually and annually Cultivated in the above Villages are left waste in consequence of the failure of rain and the poverty of the ryots. Such being the case it is questionable how salwar Bunjer or immemorial waste can be brought under Cultivation. They can never be brought under the plough. Of Poonjah considered fit for Cultivation land to the extent of Cawnies 300-10-4 assessed at Rupees 806-4-1 are situated contiguous to mountains are rugged and are highly assessed and consequently it can never be brought under Cultivation even if it be let out for half a Rupee a Cawney on Cowle, again out of the whole extent of anaidy Bunjer, Poonjah, namely Cawnies 111-9-11 assessed at Rupees 382-3-5 Cawnies 85-2-11 assessed at Rupees 291. 13-11 are entered as fit for Cultivation — When salwar Bunjer land itself is left waste, how can annathee Bunjer be cultivated. In Nunjah layk Bunjer there are Cawnies 55-1-4 assessed at Rupees 572-2-2. out of this extent Cawnies 14-11-12. assessed at Rupees 136-12-4 are submerged in the Ponay Tank. Even if the tank

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tank receives one months supply this land is so submerged. It has been left waste for many years and it cannot at any rate be now brought under Cultivation. About 20 Cawnies of Kunjah are submerged by the Toongoondrum and ambe-thermpully Tanks. Out of this esctent 10 Cawnies have become permanently unfit for Cultivation and one Months water received in the above Tanks generally covers the remaining esctent when there is no water in the Tank, about 4 or 5 Cawnies will be Cultivated. The Esctent of Totacal waste land is 5-1-12 bearing an assessment of 121-5-

Cs. As. Cs.

As this land possesses well and as the assess-ment on the land is heavy there is no probability of its being brought under Cultivation. I have stated the Circumstances connected with the waste lands as they really are, I beg therefore you will be pleased upon a favorable views of my case to obtain for me the same remission, as is allowed to the adjoining Circar Villages.

/True Translation/

/Signed/ C. Whittinghame

Collector

Fort St. George 6th March 1857

Bd. No. 695

Proceedings thereon

In Con. 13th April 48

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+ Toongoondrum Candeered by fully Brahmapuram

In Extract Minutes Consultation 25th March 1848 No. 305 Revenue Department

Government were pleased to grant to Hoosain Dost Khan eldest son of the late Jaghiredar of Anilcandah, three Villages adjoining the Fort of Anilcandah on a nominal Peshcush of Rupees 100- These Villages had been held on lease by the late Jaghiredar at a rent of Rupees 3300 per annum which was stated to be nearly equal to their full value. In addition to the rent of the Villages thus made over to Hoosain Dost Khan an allowance of Rs. 1800 per Annum in ready Money was granted to that individual thus making a provision of about Rupees 5000 intended as stated by Government for the support of the Family of which Hoosain Dost Khan was constituted the head. Under the orders of the Hon'ble Court the grant is open to Revision on the death of this individual with reference to the circumstances of the Family as

F. Govt. 20th March 1849 No. 270

The Ryots of the 3 Villages

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on

Fr. both 10th Oct/55.
In con. 25 april/56

in question claim a reduction of the assess-
ment similar to that accorded to the
Ryots of the whole District and in
consequence of this claim Hoossain Dost
khan points out that his own Income
will be diminished in a proportionate
degree. This diminution of Income is stated
by Hoossain Dost khan to be Rupees
500 per annum and a claim to consider-
tion equivalent to the loss sustained
is therefore put forth by him.

Pro to Coll. 25 april/56
No 1232

3 On the question being laid
before the Board information was call-
ed for as to the ayacut of the 3 Villages
with the extent cultivated and waste
as well as the highest cultivation and
Revenue in any particular year. The
Board also pointed out that it was
their wish that the Ryots of these
Villages should receive the same
modification of assessment as was to
be made elsewhere but that, as Govern-
ment did not expect to lose Revenue
by a general reduction of the
assessment

assessment, but on the contrary anticipated
an increase in consequence of lands now
waste being brought under occupancy it
did not follow that a corresponding
allowance ought to be made to Hoossain
Dost khan. It was further observed
with reference to other applications of a
similar nature that had been or might be
brought forward that general rules for the
settlement of such cases seemed impraticable
and that the Board must be guided
by the circumstances of each particular claim.

With his letter recorded
at the head of these Proceedings the Collector
has forwarded as required Statements of
ayacut Cultivation and waste for
the 3 Villages in question and observes
that, as cultivable Waste assessed at
Rupees 1535 is available, a great part
of which may be reasonably expected
to be cultivated there are not any just
grounds for a modification of the terms
which regulate the Pension of Hoossain
Dost khan. Statement No. 4 from the
Collector

collector shews the cultivation in Fusly 1257 (1847-48) the highest year. Following the details of that Statement it appears that the 3 Villages yeelded a profit of more than Rupees 1600 in that year but if allowance is made for a reduction of the assessment to the extent of 25 per cent it will be seen that the gain falls to Rupees 444. so that probably in an ordinary year in the present State of the Cultivation there will be little surplus. The holder of the Villages must therefore look to the cultivable Waste to make up deficiencies and though the statement of Hoossain Dosk khan as to the unprofitable character of the Waste may be correct to a certain extent the Board are not disposed to adopt the conclusion that he will be a loser by the reduction of assessment which he is required to make. Besides that is entered in the accounts as cultivable waste there is a fair extent of immemorial

Fusly 1257 Income from all sources after deducting 12½ per Cent	Rs	4393
Further deduction of 12½ D°		649
		3744
Permanent rent		3,300
Surplus		444

Waste

Waste a portion of which may be turned to account as the property of the Villages advances.

Under these circumstances the Board are unable to support the claim preferred by Hoossain Dost khan. They have expressed their readiness to recommend that the lease should be cancelled and the full amount of the annual allowance paid in money, but it appears that Hoossain Dost khan is unwilling to give up the Villages.

No. 24

To J. D Sim Esq^re
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George

220
Bd No. 630
From the Coll^r of North Arcot

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th Instant, reminding me that the time allowed for the submission of the Report as to the financial position of the Vellore and Arcot Zungerkanahs

Sungerkunaks had escpired, and requesting me to dispatch it with as little delay as possible—

2 As both the Sungerkanaks are under the charge of the Sub Collector Mr. Sullivan I requested him on the 27th May, and 4th September last to submit the required report and the more particular information of the circumstances under which the house at first obtained for the Dispensary at Arcot, was afterwards given up—

3 I have not yet received any reply from Mr. Sullivan, and I have therefore forwarded him copy of your letter of the 4th Instant with a request that he would transmit the information as early as possible—

North Arcot—
Collectors Cutcherry—
Trivetloor 9th February 1857
} / Signed / C. Whittingham
Collector

Order thereon

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Ordered to be recorded—
Jo

No 33

To.
I. D. Sim Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

222

Bd No 732

From the Acting Collector of Madura

Madura
Kadahanal
14th February 1857

Sir

I have the honor to forward copy of a letter from the Acting Sub collector dated 31st Ultimo recommending the appointment of the Zemindar of Guntamanaikanoor to the Manager ship of the Jumbulpootoor Devastanum in the Tenkurray Talook and under the circumstances therein mentioned beg to support the recommendation in favor of the Zemindar—

/ Signed / R. J. Sullivan
Acting Collector

No 1

To. R. J. Sullivan Esqre
Acting Collector of Madura

Sir

The joint Managers of the small Pagada of Jumbulpootoor in the Tenkurray Talook which has an income of only 1000 Rupees, the Natamgar and Curnum of the Village in which it is situated have resigned the Natamgar voluntarily and from conscious inability to—

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to perform the duties the Curnum also voluntarily but in obedience to public opinion which is against him—

2 These Managers were appointed in 1843 by Mr. Blackburne under his system of dividing the responsibility which appears to me not to work well and to give room to the intrigues and the formation of cliques amongst the Pagoda servants which the concentration of the power in one hand would in some measure at least avoid.—

3 I have therefore to recommend that the Office be now vested in one individual and of all the candidates whose Urzees I enclose would select the Zemindar of Guntamanaickenoor as by position knowledge best qualified for the post. He is education is respected by the people generally and has the suffrages of the Pagoda servants as will be seen by their Mahozernamahs enclosed.—

4 Pending your reply I have appointed him to act the other aspirants and particularly the son of the Natangar who can neither read nor write command no respect and are destitute of other qualifications.

Batalagoondoo
31st January 1857

/ Signed / R. I. Cockerell
/ True copy / Ag. Sub Collector
/ Signed / R. I. Sullivan
Acting Collector

222.23

Bd. No. 697

Proceedings thereon.

In accordance with the recommendation contained in the foregoing letter the Board of Revenue direct the appointment of the Zemindar of Guntamanaickenoor to be the Trustee of the Pagoda at Gunthulpoor in the Tenkurray Talook of the Madura District.

Esc:

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No. 1027.

After
Bd. No. 660

From the Acting Superintending Engineer, Northern Circle.

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

224

Under date the 14th February 1857.

Read the following letter from the Board of Revenue.—

(Here enter No. 336 dated 27th January 1857)

Resolved with reference to the foregoing letter and its enclosures to inform the Board of Revenue, that the District Engineer of Chingleput and Acting District Engineer of North Arcot, will be requested, in communication with each other, and the Collectors of their respective Districts, to arrange for meeting the additional Sub Collector of North Arcot at the Cortelliar anicut.—

Resolved to forward copies of the Board's letter, and of their Proceedings, for the guidance of Lieutenants Moberly and Mayne.—

/ A true Extract /
/ Signed / C. C. Johnston, Captain
Acting Superintending Engineer N. Circle.

Order.

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Bd. No. 693.
Order thereon.
(224-25)

Copy forwarded, with the Board's letter, to the Collector of North Arcot for his information and guidance.—

To The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

(226)

Bd. No. 870.
From Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co. agents Ship 'Constantine'

Sir,

We have the honor to inform you that the "Constantine" a Vessel which arrived from London a few days ago to our consignment has on board 5 Carboys of acids.—

On entering a ship inwards at this Port it is usual for the Collector of Sea Customs to furnish the Commander with a Memorandum in which is stated that special permission is required to land acids. The Chief officer of the "Constantine" was ignorant of this regulation and landed the acids before the memorandum delivered to the Commander reached him, to avoid accident in consequence of which the Collector seized them.—

The above regulation is always attended to by us, but in the present instance, owing to the circumstance mentioned above, it was infringed. Under the explanation which we have given we request that you will give instructions to the Collector to release the acids and to permit them to be delivered to the consignees.—

Madras, 6th March 1857.
Bd. No. 689
Proceedings thereon.
(226-27)

/Signed/ Arbuthnot & Co.
agents Ship "Constantine"

Forwarded to the Collector of Sea Customs for early report.—

Resolved

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Resolved that the following letters be despatched.—

To The Acting Secretary to
Government.

(228)

Revenue Department.

Bd. No. 694.
To the Acting Secretary to Government —

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to forward for transmission to the Honorable the Court of Directors the Broken set of the Proceedings of the Commissioner in the Northern Circars for the month of June 1856.—

Revenue Board office,
Fort St. George,
6th March 1857.

/Signed/ J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary

(229)

To The Collector of
Malabar.

Bd. No. 692.
To the Collector of Malabar —

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you that the undermentioned statement now

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, 6th March 1857.— } /Signed/ I. D. Sim. Acting Secretary.

Salt Revenue Statement for Fusly 1265.

Read the undermentioned letters.—

230
Bd. No. 3254.
From the Collector of Ganjam 1st August 1856 } Extra Tentage Bill for July 1856.

231
Bd. No. 3275.
From the Collector of Bellary 1st August 1856 } Extra Tentage Bill for July 1856.—

230-32
Order on the 2 abovementioned letters.— Ordered to be recorded.—

Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous letters and Statements.

233
My. No. 529.
From the Acting Collector of Ganjam— } Account current of Salt for January 1857.

From

234
My. No. 526.
From the Acting Collector of Masulipatam } Season Report for February 1857.—

235
My. No. 521.
From the officiating Agent at Kurnool— } Season Report for February 1857.

236
My No. 519
From the Acting Collector of Tanjore— } Season Report for February 1857.

237
My. No. 520
From the Collector of Trichinopoly } Season Report for February 1857.

238
My. No. 523
From the Agent at Kurnool. Rain Report for February 1857

239
My. No. 522
From the Agent at Kurnool. Extra Tentage Statement for February 1857.

240
My. No. 530
From the Collector of Tinnevelly— } Extra Tent allowance for January 1857.

From

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M.Y. No. 525.

From the Collector of Chingleput. Statement shew-
241 ing the quantity of Salt in store
available for exportation to Calcutta
on the 28th February 1857.—

242

M.Y. No. 524.

From the Collector of Madras. Statement shewing
the quantity of Salt in store available
for exportation to Calcutta on the
243 28th February 1857.—

M.Y. No. 527

From the Collector of Madras. Statement of
Demand Collection and Balance of
Revenue for February 1857.
244

M.Y. No. 528.

From the Collector of Madras. Average Bazar
Prices of Grain and Memorandum
of Iyen cultivation for February
1857.—

C.B

Pro

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245

After B. No. 597.

From the Ag. Secy to Govt.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Saturday the 7th March 1857.

Read the following Papers.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
in the Revenue Department
Under date the 9th February 1857.

Forwarding a Memorandum with its
enclosures from the Commissioner for revision
of Civil Establishments and requesting the
substitution of the latter document for
Mr. Ricketts' report on Customs
transmitted with Extract Minutes
Consultation of 15th October last.

Ordered accordingly

(See No. 153 in Separate Volume / P. 229)

245-245a Order thereon

246

After B. No. 92 & 612.

From the Ag. Secy to Govt.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
in the Revenue Department dated 11th February 1857.

Sanctioning the
actual charges incurred in
the Vizagapatam District for
Fusly 1265. amounting to
Rupees 5264-1-5.

(See No. 159 in Separate Volume / P. 230)

246-246a

B. No. 704

Order thereon.—

Ordered to be communicated to
the the Collector of Vizagapatam.—

247

B. No. 782.

From the Ag. Secy to Govt.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in
the Revenue Department dated 26th February 1857.

Directing that the
Acting Collector of Salem
be called upon to report
whether the reduction
for

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for providing for his Press Establishment cannot be effected in those Departments where work will be lightened consequent on the introduction of the Press.

/See No. 207 in Separate Volume/ P. 231

247.48
Bd. No. 708.
Order thereon.

Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Collector, who will report on the practicability of now making such reductions as Government desire.—

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249
Bd. No. 853.
From the Actg. Secy to Govt.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department dated 3d March 1857

—Communicating a Resolution of the Government of India presenting that in all cases when Uncovenanted Servants exceed the period of the privilege leave granted them, the Rule obtaining in the case of Covenanted Officer shall be made applicable to them.—

See No. 222 in Separate Volume/ P. 232

249.50
Bd. No. 735.
Order thereon.

Ordered to be communicated to all Collectors and the officiating agent at Kurnool.

To

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No. 298.

To J. D. Sim Esqre
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

251
Bd. No. 5149.
From the Collr of North Arcot

Sir,

In the Villages of Sholunghur and Culput two Moturpha puttahs are annually granted to the individuals named in the margin, for the privilege of drawing toddy from the date trees growing in the limits of the Villages of Tonasamoodrum and Culput. The two puttahs amount respectively for Sholunghur to 10-12-3, and for Culput to 1-13-3, total 10-13-3, which amount is now credited in the accounts to the head Moturpha, under the designation of Cavil Mosanaree. This amount has been previous to Fusly 1213 usually paid by sixteen householders in the Village of Tonasamoodrum to the Village Officers in the shape of a main Cavil Roopaum for the benefit injoyed by them of drawing and selling

Erduya
Pottavandum
Anna Mooneagum
Narrainan

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selling the toddy of the Date trees in the limits of the Village. In the abovementioned fusly, when the main Cavil Roossoom generally reverted to Government, the puttah for the privilege in question was made out in the names of three of the principal inhabitants who were the Ancestors of the present puttadars and who were held responsible for the pay= =ment of the demand by the Sixteen house= =holders including themselues. The tax has been from that time carried to account in the manner above explained.—

2. The tax was collected up to fusly 1262. In the following fusly it was found that of the sixteen householders, some had died, and others had deserted, leaving only five householders including the present puttahdars, who were reduced to such poverty that they were utterly unable to meet the demand, which has therefore remained uncollected since that fusly.

3. The privilege for which the puttahdars are supposed to pay is merely nominal, as they donot in fact enjoy the produce of the Date trees which

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which are let to other parties by the Enamdar of Tonasamoodrum, that en Village being a Dehat Enam granted for the support of the Byraghee Mut at Sholinghur.—

Under these circumstances.

I beg to recommend the abolition of the tax in question, and the remission of the same for the past three years, amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 32-7-9. which have been credited in the accounts.—

/Signed/ C. Whittingham
Collector.—

North Arcot
Coll.rs Cutcherry
Chittoor 11th December
1856

Bd. No. 906.
Proceedings thereon.
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In the foregoing letter the Collector represents that 2 Moturpha Puttahs are annually granted to 4 ryots of Sholinghur and Calput, for the privilege of drawing Toddy from the Date trees within the limits of the Villages of Tonasamoodrum and Calput. The amount levied is Rupees 10-13-3 per annum, and it is credited in the accounts under the head of Moturpha as Cavil Mahanarees. Previous to Fusly 1213, the tax was paid to the Village Officers, by 16 householders, as

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as Main Cavil Rupoom. In this years all the Russooms were resumed, and puttahs wer granted for the privilege alluded to above, in the names of 3 of the principal Inhabitants, ancestors of the present Puttahdars, and from that time to Fusly 1262 inclusive, the tax was regularly collected and carried to account.—

2. Since Fusly 1262, the amount has not been realized. Of the 16 Original household are reduced to 5 remain and they are reduced to poverty and unable to meet the demand.—

3 The Collector recommends the remission of the tax with arrears, explaining that the Puttahdars do not really enjoy the privilege for which they have paid, as the Date trees are let to other parties by the Enamdar of Tomasamoodrum, which Village is a Dehat Enam granted for the support of a Pyraghee mutt at Sholinghur.—

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4. The Board have no doubt that under the circumstances Govern= =ment will at once accede to the Collectors recommendation and they authorize him pending the receipt of final orders to abstain from demanding the arrears.—

5 The Government will however expect information as to the Enamdars right to rent to other parties the trees for which the Puttah= =dars have paid a tax to Govern= =ment. The Collector will therefore briefly explain on what title the Village is held and whether the Enamdar possess the right he has exercised in regard.

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regard to the late tree

within its limits. Moreover

as the Puttahdars have

evidedently been playing

a merely nominal privilege

it is desirable to

when the trees were first

let to others and how

much the Puttahdars

have paid since they

were thus deprived of

the privilege. —

To

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No. 263.

To,

J. D. Sim, Esqre.

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue,

Fort St. George.

253

B. No 7.

From the Coll.
of South Arcot

Sir,

In reference to Parat of Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 1st December 1856 No. 4069.

I have the honor to submit the accompanying Statement shewing the value of work done at the Government Presses here, for other Offices than my own, and for a few private individuals, since it was placed under my charge up to the 1st Instant. —

2. The aggregate comes to Rupees 129-2-3 and the actual amount of Salaries

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Salaries saved by the reductions already made in my Establishment to Rs. 248-8-0 making a total of Rs. 377-8-0

1 Shroff Rs. 14- a Month.
1 Goomastah 24-8- Do.
Exclusive of the stoppages of 8 ds from the pay of Several persons still in deposit and amounting to Rupees 321-8-0

3. The charges of working the Press for the same period have amounted to Rs. 637-4-9 as being in excess of receipts and saving by reductions by Rs. 259-12-0 for the disbursement of which I beg to solicit the sanction of Government.

4. At the same time I request to be informed whether I am authorized to draw payment in Cash for the printing already done for other Offices and for that which will hereafter be done for them. Unless I may do so and bring the amount to the credit of the Press, my accounts will always be in confusion.

South Arcot,
Collr's Cutcherry,
Cuddalore 24th Decr 1856

(Signed) Arthur Hall
Collector.

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No. 1 Statement of work done by the Government Press at Cuddalore for other Offices and parties (not including Collector's Office) from 1st March to 1st December 1856.

Name of the Office.	Value of work done. Rupees A. P.
Civil and Sessions Court of Cuddalore	34 61
Principal Sudr Ameen Do. of Do.	1853
Civil and Sessions Court of Combaconum	58.2
Private Individuals	1869
Total	12923

(Signed) Arthur Hall
Collector.

Proceedings.

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B.C. No. 701

Proceedings thereon -

Communicating B.Rd's instructions in respect to the future scheme of Press for the maintenance of his Press. -

(253.57)

The Collector is informed that all public Officers who have not contributed towards the formation of an Establishment for the Press by rateable reductions on their own Establishments, should be required to pay, in Cash, at the authorized rates for all work executed for them, and he is at liberty to decline any work for which payment is not made. -

2. On the receipt in the prescribed of the tabular Statement called for in para 2 of their Proceedings, dated 1st December last, the Board will be prepared to lay the before Government, and obtain final sanction for the proposed arrangements for providing for the maintenance of the Cuddalore Press. They will also recommend to Government, as stated in para 4 of their Proceedings quoted above, that sanction be granted for the excess expenditure over receipts, incurred on

Fort St. George, 7th March 1857.

on account of the Press, amounting to Rupees 259-10-6, as shown in para 3 of the Collector's present letter. -

3. Mr. Hall will bear in mind that the reductions to be effected with the Press earnings must cover all the printing expenses, as Government will not consent to incur any additional permanent charge in consequence of the introduction of Printing. - The work done for other Offices is smaller than the Board expected to find it, and they wish to know whether the Press has been fully occupied generally or not. -

No.

To, J.D. Sim, Esqre.
Secretary to the Board of Revenue,
Fort St. George -

(253)
P. No. 655
From the Asst. Collr. of Madura.

Sir,

Under clause 2, Section XVIII Regulation IX of 1816, I have the honor to report, for

3 9½ Cost of Bonfield and
3 3 15/16 — " of Peticycl.
Paying a tax of Rupees 6-3-10-
and work. . . . Rupees 8-3- "-

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for the information of the Board that one Candan Chetty, a Native of Nattum in this District was charged with having attempted to murder his wife by throwing her over the Bridge across the Cavery River at Trichinopoly, having absconded and not appeared within the time fixed in a Proclamation issued under Cl: I of the same Section, his property as per margin, has been, as requested by the Acting Head Assistant Magistrate that District, taken under attachment the Head of Police has been directed to provide for the care of the Crops of the Current Fusly 1266- and future Cultivation of the land.-

Madura,
Codakaval,
10th February 1857.
Bd. No 716
Proceedings thereon.
(255-56)

(Signed) R. J. Sullivan
Acting Magistrate.

The Acting Collector will take the necessary measures for the due care and

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and management of the property referred to in the foregoing letter, and keep a correct account of all receipts and disbursements connected therewith at the expiration of 6 months from the date of attachment, if the absentee fails to appear, the case will be reported for the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council in conformity with clause 5, Section XVII, Regulations IX of 1816.-

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No. 25.

To, J. D. Sims, Esq.re
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue,
Fort St. George.

257
B. No 706
From the Asst.
Coll.r of Salem

Sir,

With reference to my letter of 28th Ultimo, No. 17, I have the honor to forward herewith the Tolugoo List of

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of Prizes proposed to be given at the ensuing Local Exhibition, and to request that you will be pleased to have, with the permission of Government, 300 Copies of the List struck off at the Fort St. George Gazette Press.—

Salem Collector's Office, Salem, 16th February 1857. } (Signed) J. W. Cherry Acting Collector.

Ordered that the following Official Memorandum be sent:—

(257.58)

B. No. 710.

To the Superintendent of Govt. Gazette Press. } Official Memo.

The Superintendent of the Government Gazette Press is requested to strike off immediately, 300 Copies of the accompanying Telugoo List of Prizes for the Salem Exhibition.—

Revenue Board Office, Fort St. George, 7th March 1857. } (Signed) J. D. Sim Ag. Secretary

Read

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Read again letter from the Collector of Masulipatam dated 23d February and entered in Consultation 16th April 1855. Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.—

To

(259)

B. No. 714

To the Acting Collector of Masulipatam } Sir

The Acting Collector of Masulipatam

In Con. 16th April 1855

With reference to your letter dated 23d February 1855 relative to the swinging festival manœuvres in your District I am directed by the Board of Revenue to forward Copies of Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 4th May 1855 No. 572 and

In Con. 4th May 1855 =

5 of the Board's letter to Government dated 19th April 55 and to request that you will report without delay, whether any of the zemindars are willing to receive a reasonable sum in ready money in lieu of all further claims to the lands held for the purposes of the swinging festival

Revenue Board Office, Fort St. George, 7th March 1857. } (Signed) J. D. Sim Acting Secretary

To

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No. 41

(26)

B. No. 809

From the Collector of North Arcot - - } Sir

To

J. D. Sim Esquire
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

I have the honor to forward for the consideration of the Board of Revenue the accompanying copy of a communication received from the Subordinate Collector Mr. Sullivan dated 15th Ultimo, bringing to notice the insecure state of the Treasury Room at Pulliconda in Vellore Talook, and making certain suggestions for the safe custody of the money required for railway disbursements. This communication having been forwarded to Brigadier A. S. Logan, the Commandant at Vellore, for his opinion, that Officer has in his letter dated 21st Ultimo copy of which

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which is also herewith forwarded recommended the arrangement suggested in para 4 of Mr. Sullivan's letter as being the most convenient for the reasons therein mentioned. I have the honor therefore to request that the Board of Revenue will be so good as to sanction that arrangement. It will be observed from Mr. Sullivan's letter that the measure will be attended with convenience to the railway Resident Engineer at Vellore, who draws the money.

Should the Board sanction the arrangement now proposed, an Estimate for a new Cash chest will be submitted for sanction.

North Arcot -
Collectors Cutcherry
Tranquebar -
26th February 1857 -

Signed C. Whittingham
Collector

To

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No. 20

To

C. Whittingham Esquire

Collector of North Arcot

Chittoor

Sir

In reply to your letter No. 7 of the 17th January 1857, enclosing a Copy of a letter from Mr. Sullivan, I beg to recommended the arrangement Suggested in Para 4 of that letter as being most convenient on account of the want of accomodation for a Cash chest of any size within the Guard Places inside the Fort —

A Guard of sufficient strength to furnish two sentries can be supplied by this Garrison for its safety.

Vellore ——— 21st January 1857

(Signed) A. S. Logan Brig.
Commanding Vellore

True Copy
(Signed) C. Whittingham
Collector

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No. 8

To

C. Whittingham Esq.
Collector of North Arcot

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 25th Ultimo No. 119, which I should have sooner answered but that I consider with reference to certain suggestions I am about to make that it would be better to ascertain whether they would inconvenience the Railway Officials

2 The recent outrages in the Vellore Taluk are certainly of a nature to warrant to some extent the alarm expressed in the Thasildars urgee as to the safety of the Treasury at Pulicondah and his request for an additional

additional guard.—

3 I am however of opinion that by keeping the money required for the Railway disbursements at Vellore the necessity for a Sepoy guard or Extra Establishment in the Taluk may be abviated.—

4 This money might be kept at my Cutcherry or the Police Cutcherry but in that case a Sepoy guard should be supplied for its safe custody which could be more easily done than sending one to Pullicondah.—

5 A strong cash chest should also be supplied.—

6 It occurs again to me=tion that perhaps a better arrange=ment would be for a chest con=taining the Railway or other money required

required here to be kept at the Military Pay Office or other Office in the Fort where a regular guard is always kept up, the disbursements being made by the Police Ameen under my supervision.—

7 This latter arrangement would abviate the necessity of an Extra guard and it is within my knowledge that the Garrison duties are now heavy and will be more so when there is only one wing of a Regiment here a Contingency at present imminent.—

8 The Railway Resident Engineer has intimated to me that it will be a convenience rather than otherwise to him if my propo=sal be carried out of having all pay=ments in his district M.S made avail=able at Vellore.—

At

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I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of the Board of Revenue a Petition from Mr. Sullivan Sub Collector of North Arcot, and a Report from the Collector of Vellore on the subject of the Petition.

2. It appears to me that a communication from you to the Brigadier on the subject is desirable.—

(Signed) A. W. Sullivan
Sub Collector

North Arcot ----
Sub Collrs Cutcherry ---
Vellore 15th January 1857

True Copy
(Signed) C. Whittinghame
Collector

B. No. 707

Proceedings thereon.—

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The Board observe that the proposed arrangement is approved of by the Civil, Military and Railway authorities but as it involves the necessity for a Sepoy guard especially at a time when the Garrison duties are stated to be heavy, they would wish the subject to be further considered in view to an arrangement being made, if possible, by which the necessary custody of the cash may be provided for without the aid of a guard of regulars.—

2 They presume that the building in which the cash is to be kept at Vellore, should that arrangement be adopted is secure and in a safe position.—

C.B

To

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No. 42.

To

J. D. Sim Esqr.
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

(26)

BR. No. 820.

From the Collector South Arcot—

Reports that he has placed the Talooks of Cuddalore Chellumbrum and Munnargoody under Mr. Grant with a view of his carrying on the Classification & Valuation of the lands within & proposals that temporary Establishment be sanctioned for Mr. Grant.

Sir,

Para 1. I do myself the honor to acknowledge receipt of two Extracts from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 18th Instant and numbered respectively 531 and 532; the former forwarding an Extract from the Minutes of Consultation of Government dated 7th idem No. 150 and the latter accompanied by one of the 9th item No. 151.

2. I beg to state that in furtherance of the orders contained in these Proceedings I have placed the Talooks of Cuddalore Chellumbrum and Munnargoody under Mr. Grant with a view of his carrying on the classification valuation and assessment of the lands in them which have been surveyed by Captain Priestley but I do not feel myself competent to furnish him with instructions and directions

directions as to the mode in which the work is to be done.-

3. I have therefore to request that the Board will be pleased to inform me of the exact principles upon which it is intended that the assessment should be fixed.-

4. The Chief points upon which I required explicit orders are, first the proportion of the gross produce which is to form the basis of the Government demand; secondly the manner in which irrigated lands which are found to be capable of producing two crops by the use of Government Water are to be treated, and thirdly the number of turns into which the lands are to be classed.-

5. When fixing the rates of assessment for the lands in the Resumed Zaghire of Pallicondah on which I [+] lately reported Rs 0-4-0 per cent of the gross produce of irrigated and 33⅓ per cent of that of unirrigated land as the standard for the Government share but I have reason to believe that it has

[+] Under date 26th January 1857.

has been contemplated to adopt a lower ratio than this hereafter.-

6. My own opinion is that one third of the gross produce of irrigated and one fourth of that of unirrigated land is the maximum which should be taken in fixing assessment and I am a decided advocate for consolidating the tax on double crop wetlands which I think might be done by computing the charge for the second Crop at one third of that which is put upon the first one.-

7. It would be a good plan to declare that wherever second crops are raised on irrigated lands by the use of the Government water, they must be paid for at the rate of a moiety of the assessment, on the first crop, but that when any Ryot desires to have the Government demand consolidated on such lands, it would be done by adding permanently one third of the single Crop assessment many Ryots would I apprehend in this case apply for a consolided assessment on such lands is

and

lands and would be willing to pay it every year whether a second Crop was actually grown or not.—

8. I fear that Mr. Grant will not be able to do justice to the important operations which are to be conducted by him unless she has an efficient Establishment attached to him, which I am quite unable to furnish from my Cutcherry.—

9. In the first place she will certainly require a sheristadar of ability both morally and physically as well as of experience in revenue matters. He must also have an English Writer, an intelligent native Accountant, two or three Goomastahs, some classifiers of land and a few Deloyets and Peons.—

10. The following is a List of the Establishment which I would propose to give him in addition to the Servants which I have already attached to him for the discharge of the current duties he has to perform as additional Sub Collector and Joint Magistrate.

List

List.

	Rs.
1 Sheristadar to receive batta at 2 Rs. per day	60
1 Native Accountant	50
1 Goomastah	20
1 Do.	15
1 Head classifier	50
2. Deputy Do. at 25 Rupees each	50
1 Deloyets Duffadar	9
5 Deloyets at 7 Rupees each	35
2. Peons at 5 Rupees each	10.
4. Do at 4 Do. Do.	16
1 English Writer	35
1 Moochy	10
	360
Sundries	10
Rupees	370 per mensem

11 With such an Establishment as the foregoing Mr. Grant would be able I think, to carry on the work with ease to himself and with a fair prospect of bringing about a satisfactory result.—

12. As the Assessment progresses a few more Goomastahs would be needed

needed to prepare the field statements for the Talook and Village Servants.

13. A monthly outlay of Rupees 190 was sanctioned by the Government of India under date 8th September 1854, for preparing the preliminary accounts for the classification and assessment of which there remained on the 31st Ultimo as I have already reported only Rs. 2 139-2-10 unexpended. This balance has been since still further reduced and is quite insufficient to meet the present requirements for more than a few months. The Establishment should be sanctioned in the first instance for one year.

14. The Board will observe that I have only entered batta at the rate of 2 Rupees a day as the charge to be incurred for a Sheristedar. If the executive charge of the Maraliment of the District is handed over as it probably will be on the 1st of next May to the Civil Engineers Department I could spare without much inconvenience the services of the Nail Sheristadar for Mr. Grant to whom the payment of batta would

would be a sufficient remuneration for the extra work he would have to do.

15. Unfortunately however Jani Karam Puntoolo, the present Nail Sheristadar, is a man of such slow apprehension and so little natural ability that he is totally incapable of performing the duties which would devolve upon him.

16. He bears a high character for integrity, but so deficient has he shewn himself to be in his mental qualifications that I was unable either to make use of him myself at the settlement of last July 1262 or depute him to go out with the Head Assistant.

17. As he has expressed himself unwilling to go back to a Tahsildarship I have thought it right to intimate to him that he had better apply for a superannuated Pension to which his service of about 37 years entitles him. He has agreed to do this but has asked to be allowed to remain as he is till the end of May next when if he fails to obtain the requisite medical certificate the only alternative will be to reduce him to the

post.

post of a Tahsildar for which he is fit, if the duties are not very heavy-

18. When this is arranged, I would recommend that Siroovengada Charry the present Sub Divisional Sheristadar should be transferred to Mr. Grant and that the man who succeeds the Naib Sheristadar should be attached to the Sub Collector.-

19. Siroovengada Charry is a very intelligent active and painstaking public Servant, and would, I feel sure acquit himself well in the position in question.-

20. It is very desirable that Mr. Grant should have at least some of these people at once, so that he may lose no time in gaining the statistical information it is requisite for him to acquire before he will be able to commence the assessment operations with confidence.-

21. I have not yet received from Captain Priestley the Maps and Survey Books of the Chellumbrum Talook but those for Cuddalore have all reached me. I do not expect that the

Chelumbrum Books will be ready for some time yet, and I would suggest that Mr. Grant should take up the Cuddalore Talook in which a reclassification and reassessment is more needed than it is in the two Southern Talooks.

22 I presume that it is intended that inquiries should be made into all of the cases of alleged Enams and other exemptions from payment of the full teerwah which are found to exist in these three Talooks. This will be a matter requiring great care and attention.-

23. A provision of the Salaries and other Village officers might also I think, be carried on at the same time, and all the various endowments whether of land or in ready money should be adjusted.-

South Arcot. . . . .
Collector's Cutcherry . . .
Cuddalore. . . . . .
26th February 1857.

(Signed) Arthur Hall
Collector.

B. No. 702 thereon.
Proceedings
2-12-13 G.S.

As it is generally understood that a despatch has been received from

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from the Honorable Court of Directors, laying down the principles on which the assessment is to be determined at the new Survey, the Board deem it inexpedient to furnish the Collector of South Arcot with specific instructions as to the mode in which it is to be conducted in his District without first submitting his letter for the Consideration of Govern:ment, which they accordingly resolve to do.

2. They concur with Mr. Hall in opinion that to enable Mr. Grant to perform the duty committed to him effectually it is necessary that he should be aided by the establishment he proposes. If a sum has been sanctioned for the survey of the Presidency it would seem natural that the expenses to be incurred in South Arcot should be defrayed therefrom, and the surplus available from the former sanction of the Government of India for the District of South Arcot may be made to suffice until authority is obtained from the Government of India for enter:tainment of the establishment required for the Survey of the Presidency in general. Mr. Hall's intention to attach Tiroovengadacharry to Mr.

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Mr. Grant is approved of. The arrange:ment, the Board think should be made at the earliest practicable period.

Read again Statement from the Collector of Chingleput dated 4th and entered in Miscellaneous Consultation, 6th March 1857, of Salt in Store and available for exportation to Calcutta at each of the Ports of export in the District of Chingle:put, on 28th February 1857.

(264)
B. of N. 705
Proceedings thereon.

The Collector is requested not to reserve any salt for Chittagong as the Board have made arrangements with the Collectors of Madras and Vellore to supply that Agency with all the salt required for the Current Season. It is not necessary now to send any salt on account of the Indents for 1855.

(265)
B. of N. 703.

Resolved that the follg. letters be despatched.

Circular.

To all Collectors having Profs.

Ganjam
Rajahmundry
Masulipatam
Nellore
North Arcot
South Arcot
Salem
Tanjore
Madura
Tinnevelly
Coimbatore
Bellary
Cuddapah
Kurnool
Guntoor.

Sir,

With reference to the Circular Order from this Office, dated 21st April 1850, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to remind you that the annual Report on the working of your Profs will be due on the 30th April next, and to request that you will

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will submit it as early as possible after that date.

2. The Board desire, that in addition to the information you are required to furnish by the Circular Order quoted above, you will specify, in your first report the quantity of Printing Stock supplied to or procurred by you—You will also state how the work has been charged for in your own and other departments and how the cost has been realized.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
7th March 1857.

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(Signed) J. D. Sim,
Ag. Secretary.

To,

The Civil Auditor.

B. No. 709.

To the Civil Auditor

Sir,

It has been usual with the Board of Revenue to forward applications for leave from Military officers in the Revenue and Survey Departments to Government through the channel of the Civil Auditor, but they have reason to doubt the correctness of this Course and I am directed to

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to request that you will inform them whether such applications should be forwarded in this manner or through the Military Auditor General.—

2. For instance the present Officiating Agent to the Governor at Kurnool is a Military Officer, and the Board are desirous of knowing whether all applications for leave before Government through the Military authorities—If not, they wish to be informed in what cases only applications for leave from Military Officers should be submitted through you.—

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
7th March 1857.

(Signed) J. D. Sim,
Ag. Secretary.

B. No. 3277.

From the Collector of Canara—

(267)

Read Statement of Extra Postage drawn by the Sub Collector

(267-68) Collector of Canara for July 1856.

Order thereon Ordered to be recorded.

Received the undermentioned

(269) Miscellaneous letters and State-

M.J. No. 542 -ments. -

From the Collector of Cuddapah. - Return of fines imposed and stoppages made

(270) from the pay of Public Servants du-

M.J. No. 541 -ring the 4th quarter of 1856. -

From the Collector of Cuddapah. - Return of

(271) Public Servants suspended or

M.J. No. 539 dismissed during the 4th quarter of 1856.

From the Collector of Cuddapah. - Informing that

no Cases have occurred in certain

(272) Returns for the 4th quarter of

M.J. No. 540 1856.

From the Collector of Cuddapah. - Informing that there

were no Cases of persons tried and in

Confinement under Regulation IX of 1812

and of persons suspended or dismissed

under Regulation VII of 1831 in

January

(273) M.J. No. 533. January 1857. -

From the Acting Collector of Masulipatam. Reporting

that no Revenue Defaulters were in Con-

(274) M.J. No. 532 -finement in the 4th quarter of 1856. -

From the Collector of Vizagapatam. Season report

(275) M.J. No. 531 for February 1857. -

From the Acting Collector of Guntoor. Season

(276) M.J. No. 535 report for February 1857.

From the Collector of Bellary. - Season

(277) M.J. No. 534. report for February 1857.

From the Acting Collector of Madura - Season

(278) M.J. No. 538. report for February 1857.

From the Collector of Cuddapah - Average.

Bazar Prices of grain

and Memo of Cyen cultiv-

-ation for February 1857. -

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M.G. No. 536.

From the Collector of Cuddapah. Statement
279 of Demand Collection
and Balance of Revenue
280 M.G. No. 537. for February 1857.

From the Acting Collector of Salem. Statement
of Demand Collection and Balance of
281 M.G. No. 542. Revenue for February 1857.

From the Collector of South Arcot. Acknowledges receipt of Board's Proceedings and States that the information therein called for has been furnished on the 26th Idem.—

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Monday the 9th March 1857.—

Read again Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 23d and entered in Consultation 31st January 1857.—

To
J. B. Sim Esqr.
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

282 R. No. 870
From the Dy Register to the Court of Sudr Udalut

Sir,

In reference to the closing words of para 4 of Extract Minutes of Consultation under date the 23d Ultimo I am directed by the Judges of the Sudr Udalut to request that you will inform them whether in the opinion of the Board of Revenue, and in that of the several Collectors, any objections exist to the measure proposed by the Accountant General for the remittance of public money by the District Moonsiffs to the Civil Judges and vice versa.—

Sudr Udalut
Registers Office
7th February 1857

/Signed/ C. F. Chamier
Deputy Register
Ordered

Fort St. George 9th March 1857.

Ordered that the following letter be sent.—

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To

The Accountant General

Sir,

With reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 23d January 1857 Judicial Department No. 102, regarding the remittance of Judicial receipts by Moonsiffs to the Treasuries of Tahsildars, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request you will inform them whether any instructions have as yet been issued to the Collectors from your Office with the view of carrying into effect the arrangements sanctioned by Government.—

2 In the event of such instructions having been issued the Board request to be favored with a Copy of them.—

Dr. No. 720
To the Accountant General
In Cons. 31st Jany/57

Revenue Board Office
Fort Saint George
9th March 1857.

/Signed/ I. D. Sim
Acting Secretary

Read again Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 31st January and entered in Consultation 9th February 1857.— JB

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To

I. D. Sim Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir,

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Dr. No. 627
From the Honorary Secretary Agricultural Society Madras

In reply to your letter of yesterday's date No. 455, requesting information as to the cultivation of new Grenada Paddy in this Presidency, I beg to enclose Reports of this Society for 1852 and 1853, at Pages 5 and 2 respectively will be found all the information in our records respecting the Naturalization of this useful grain.—

The latest report from Mysore was not encouraging; it may be desirable, however to address Major Waines as to the present State of the Cultivation.

Madras
11th February 1857

/Signed/ W. Cleghorn
Honorary Secretary Agricultural Society

No. 34

To

I. D. Sim Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George

Sir,

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Dr. No. 717
From the Collector of Sea Customs Madras

Fr. Sec. 9th Feby/57 No. 455 with Minutes Cons. 31st Jany 1857 No. 122

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the papers noted in the margin relative to obtaining a supply of New Grenada Paddy for Major Thayre.— This

2 This grain was, I believe, grown by Captain Haines, the Superintendent of the Bangalore Division under the Commissioner at Mysore. I have heard that the grain has degenerated gradually.—

3 I will make enquiries respecting the grain introduced, Viz.t, the South Carolina. I gave it to parties, who, last year reported favorably of it. and if it has not degenerated in this years sowing, I will obtain a sample of it and transmit to the Board of Revenue for inspection.—

Sea Custom House
Madras 12th February 1857 } (Signed) W. E. Underwood
Collector Sea Customs

Ordered to be submitted with the following letter.—

To

The Acting Secretary to
Government
Revenue Department

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of Extract Minutes of Consultation, dated 31st January 1857. No 122 Revenue Department, requesting them to make early arrangements for meeting the requisition of Major Phayre, Commissioner of Pegue, for two hundered weight of New Grenada seed Paddy

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Dy No 723
To the Actg Secretary to Government.

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if procurable in any part of this Presidency.

2 On receipt of the Orders of Government the Board applied, in the first instance, to the Collector of Sea Customs, and to the Secretary to the Agricultural Society as the persons most likely to posses information regarding the Cultivation of this Grain. The replies received from those Officers are submitted herewith.—

3 Mr. Underwood states that he believes the Grain was grown by Captain Haines, the Superintendent of the Bangalore Division on Mysore but that he has heard it has degenerated gradually—and Dr. Cleghorn has forwarded Copies of the Reports of the Agricultural Society for 1852 and 1853, containing all the information at his command respecting the Naturalization of the Grenada Paddy.—

4 The Board regret to find from an these reports that the success of the experiment to introduce the new Grain has as yet been on very limitted owings, it is supposed, to the an impaired vitality of the seed, but few plants germinated in the first year. The produce was carefully preserved and sown the following year, with better success

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Sen Cons 9th March 1857

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success, and it was hoped that the third years attempts would be favorable, but no further report has been received on the subject.—

5 The Board are not aware of any attempts having been made to introduce this description of grain in any of the Districts of this Presidency and would suggest that a reference be made to the Commissioner of Mysore, to ascertain the result of the further experiments which it was intended to make.—

6 Mr Underwood, in para 2 of his letter alludes to a description of Paddy / South Carolina/ introduced by him. The parties to whom he gave it for cultivation have, he states, reported favorably of it, and he promises, if it has not degenerated to send a sample to the Board The specimen will, on its receipt, be forwarded to Government, with any information which Mr Underwood may furnish regarding its peculiar qualities.—

Revenue Board Office
Fort Saint George
9th March 1857.

/Signed/ J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary
/Read

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Bd No 586

From the Actg Secretary to Government

Read the following Papers

Extract Minutes of Consultation, Revenue Department, dated 7th February, 1857

Stating that Government consider the reasoning of the Board in respect of the right of Govern. to impose a tax on the Beegy Jungles with a view to restricting the felling of timber in them within proper limits, to be based on valid grounds, and authorizing the Acting Collector being instructed according to levy a tax.

/See No 149 in separate Volume/ P. 231.

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Bd No 746

Order thereon

Ordered that a Copy be forwarded with the Boards' Proceedings to the Acting Collector of Masulipatam for his information and guidance. Mr Knox will be pleased to report the result of his Proceedings at the expiration of a reasonable period.—

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After Bd No 626

From the Actg Secretary to Government

Extract Minutes of Consultation, Public Works Department, dated 11th February 1857.—

Communicating the observations and orders of Govt on the subject of defining the limits of Military Cantonments, with special reference to the station of Trichinopoly forwarding, for the report of the local Officers, civil, & Military a plan of that Cantonment, with the boundary therein marked out as approved by Government.

/See No 297 in separate Volume/ P. 235

Ordered

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B. No. 730

Order thereon,

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Ordered that a Copy of the above Extract Minutes Consultation, with the Map alluded to in the last Para, be forwarded to the Collector of Trichinopoly for early report.—

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B. No. 628

From the Offg Secretary to Government.

Extract Minutes of Consultation, Public Works Department, dated 12th February 1857

Referring to the Board, a letter from the Chief Engineer, and requesting them to obtain and submit, with their own views thereon, a Report from the Collector of Nellore on the subject of the reduction of the present high Assessment on the lands watered by tanks to the eastward of the Pennair Anicut . . . .

See No. 299 in Separate Volume P. 240

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B. No. 722

Order thereon,

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing Extract Minutes Consultation be forwarded to the Collector of Nellore together with Copy of the letter, No. 9848, from the Chief Engineer referred to the question of the Assessment, so far as it affects the District generally, will be submitted to Government in the course of a few days, but partiular information is required regarding the character of the Assessment in that portion of the District which is irrigated by the Pennair

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Mr. Elton will point out instances in which the land is left to waste in consequence of excessive rates of Assessment, and he will explain on what grounds it is expected that the additional Revenue, Viz. Rupees 43,629 mentioned in para 7 of Col. Farber's letter will be realized. The information now called for should be submitted at an early date.

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B. No. 780

From the Offg Secretary to Government

Extract Minutes of Consultation, Revenue Department, dated 26th February 1857.

Permitting Annadarow (Petitioner in No. 2576 of 1855) to sue in the Courts of Adalut for the recovery of a portion of Sirvamanium Land in the District of Tanjore, represented to have been usurped by certain parties.

See No. 204 in Separate Volume P. 243

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B. No. 715.

Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Collector.

Extract

Bde No. 805
From the Actg Secretary
to Government

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Extract Minutes of Consultation, Revenue Department, dated 27th February 1857

Sanctioning the renewal of certain lapsed allowances in the District of Rajahmundry, and directing their commutation on the principle laid down in the Board's Circular Order of 21st July 1855.

See No. 272 in Separate Volume/ P. 214

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Bde No. 711
Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector with Copy of the Board's Remarks.

Extract

Bde No. 802
From the Actg Secretary
to Government

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Extract Minutes of Consultation, Revenue Department, dated 28th February 1857

Communicating Correspondence on the Subject of the Conveyance of Salt from Madras to Chittagong on private account

See No. 215 in Separate Volume/ P. 245

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Bde No. 727
Order thereon

Ordered that a Copy be communicated to the Collectors of Maritime Districts.

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Bde No. 1797
From the Assistt to the Chief Engineer

Memorandum

Forwarded to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, as requested in his Memorandum. dated 12th Instant No. 3754.

/By Order/
/Signed/ P. O'Connell, Lieutt
Assistt to the Chief Engineer

Central Office P. W.
Fort St. George
19th November 1856

To The Acting Secretary
Board of Revenue

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No. 1

List of Chuttrums built by Government and by Private Individuals, given up to alienated or the Amount paid from Government for Maintenance, as well as the Amount of former Enam the extents of lands actually Government to be held being the Amount of revised allowance now proposed to be granted.

Talooks	Names of places where Chuttrums were originally proposed to be built	Names of places where Chuttrums have actually been erected.	Amount of Enam formerly granted		Amount now enjoyed by the several Chuttrums	Ready money allowance		Amount carried to the Chuttrum fund from the proceeds of the Enam for repairs	Proposed allowance		Difference between Cols: 4 & 9				Remarks
						Assessment of Land	Amount paid from Govt.		Per mensem	Per annum	Increase		Decrease		
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9		10		11		12
Pulachy	Mache Naiken polliam	Mache Naiken polliam	1	175 0 3	83 159	0 0 0	0 0 0	91 0 6	84	0 0 0	0 0 0	91 0 3			
Perindorey	Chengapully	Chengapully	1	175 15 6	175 156	0 0 0	0 0 0	7	84	0 0 0	0 0 0	91 15 6			
	Vezianmungalam	Vezianmungalam	1	187 6 0	187 6	0 0 0	0 0 0	7	84	0 0 0	0 0 0	103 6 6			
	Seroovanchey	Cusbah Perindoray	1	177 2 6	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	7	84	0 0 0	0 0 0	93 2 6			
Errode	Oonjalore	Oonjalore	1	175 0 1	84 14 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	90 2 1	7	84	0 0 0	0 0 0	91 0 1		
	Mailiem polliam	Mailiem polliam	1	174 15 10	174 150	0 0 0	0 0 0	7	84	0 0 0	0 0 0	90 15 10			
	Cusbah Errode	Cusbah Errode	1	174 15 9	0 0 0	174 159	111 0 0	0 0 0	7	84	0 0 0	0 0 0	90 15 9		
	Dº	Dº Canary Bank	1	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	9	108	0 0 0	108 0 0	0 0 0			* Cancelled & agreed to by Letter Bd of Revenue dated 10th Oct. 1850 No. 263
Coimbatore	Chetty polliem	Chetty polliem	1	175 0 3	157 63	0 0 0	0 0 0	17 10 0	7	84	0 0 0	0 0 0	91 0 3		
	Echamanny	Goodalore	1	178 4 7	0 0 0	178 43	193 8 0	0 0 0	9	108	0 0 0	0 0 0	70 4 7		
	Wallair	Wallair	1	593 9 6	0 0 0	593 96	224 4 0	0 0 0	9	108	0 0 0	0 0 0	485 9 6		
	Ettimaday	Ettimaday	1	176 5 8	0 0 0	176 58	411 12 0	0 0 0	9	108	0 0 0	0 0 0	68 5 8		
	Ramanoojeen Chuttrums	Ramanoojeen Chuttram	1	173 4 3	0 0 0	173 43	525 0 0	0 0 0	9	108	0 0 0	0 0 0	65 4 3		
Kongyem	Moottoor	Moottoor	1	843 10 7	843 107	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	9	108	0 0 0	0 0 0	739 10 7		
	Oodeyoor	Oodeyoor	1	622 7 5	622 75	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	9	108	0 0 0	0 0 0	514 7 5		
	Alambandy	Kongyem	1	184 13 11	155 147	0 0 0	0 0 0	28 15 4	9	108	0 0 0	0 0 0	76 13 11		
	Condalum Mailmoogum	Condalum Mailmoogum	1	175 0 0	155 96	0 0 0	0 0 0	19 66 7		84	0 0 0	0 0 0	91 0 0		
	Neelamboor	Moolanoor	1	193 10 10	0 0 0	193 10 10	156 0 0	0 0 0	9	108	0 0 0		85 10 10		
	Cumapooram	Vellacovil	1	179 9 11	0 0 0	179 94	138 0 0	0 0 0	9	108	0 0 0		71 9 4		

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							Assessment of land	Amount paid from Government		Per Mensem	Per annum	Increase	Decrease	
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	Nagambully	Nagambully	1	179	5 6	157 8 5	" "	" "	21	13 1	84	" "	95 5 6	
Pallaveram	Sirpoor	Sirpoor	1	184	2 6	158 4 1	" "	" "	23	14 5	84	" "	100 2 6	
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	Guzzlehutty	Guzzlehutty	1 354 11 11	354 11 11	533 3			9	108	
	Salamalay	Salamalay	1 253 4 1					9	108	
	Bellaundy	Annoor	1 174 12 5					9	108	
	Jarapollium	Summipunnoor	1		148			4	48	
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	Vaaloo caurial	Vaaloo caurial	1 175 11 3	175 11 3	152 1			9	108	
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		Burbar	1					9	108	
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30th March 1850.

E. E. Jr. / Signed / E. B. Thomas
297 300
Acting Princ. Collector
Order thereon Ordered to be recorded

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No. 135

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To

J. D. Sim Esquire
Sr. Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

B. No. 6282.
From the Collector of Cuddapah } Sir

Para 1 With reference to extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 13th No-vember 1856. No. 3777, wherein the Board request that application may be made to the different Courts to ascertain what assistance they can afford for the purpose of aiding me in the establishment of the Printing Press. I have the honor to state, that the Sessions Judge for the Civil and Sub Court Rs. 10 and the Civil Court 25. The Civil Judge further adds, that he may be able to afford additional assistance after he finds the benefits he may derive from the Establishment of the Printing Press.

2 However inconvenient it may be and hinder-ance in the performance of the duties required in this District, and not to throw any obstacles in the way of the expressed wishes of Government, I annex herein a Statement in the prescribed form, of the reductions in the different departments sufficient to pay for the establishment required for the printing Press amounting to Rupees 91-- Statement

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Statement shewing the alterations proposed in the Moyenzabittah &c.
of the District of Cuddalapah.

Present Establishment	Amount	Total	Proposed alteration	amount	Total
	Rupees A P	Rupees A P		Rupees A P	Rupees A P
Sanctioned on the 3d April 1840	19094 8 0		1 Head Compositor	25 0 0	
Ditto on the 5th July 1856	2535 0 0		1 Assistant Do.	15 0 0	
		19629 8 0	1 2d Do. Do.	12 0 0	
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1 Cushgoomastah	10 0 0		1 Peshcar	12 0 0	
1 Moonshee Do.	9 0 0		1 Ballierau	8 0 0	
1 Writer in English Department	10 0 0		1 Assistant	6 0 0	
			Total	85 0 0	
Expected from the Civil and Sub Court of Cuddalapah	35 0 0		Aggregate pay of the Servants uninterfered with	19538 8 0	
Sheristadars goomastahs	13 0 0				
1 Commis Ree	4 0 0		Total amount Moyenzabittah as altered		19623 8 0
Rupees	91 0 0		Sum reserved for contingent expences		6 0 0
Aggregate pay of the Servants uninterfered with	19538 8 0		Total of the present Moyenzabittah		19629 8 0
Total	19629 8 0				

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3 It will be seen, that the services of English Writer in the correspondence Department is proposed to be dispensed with - The new printing Press will very little effect this office, but should another goomastah be removed from the Sheristadars establishment, the business will be materially hindered as it is and always has been very limited in comparison with the duties it is called upon to perform. The Establishment consists of 18 Goomastahs one of whom, is attached to the Head Accountant for preparing the Telegr details for the monthly accounts required by the Accountant General Board of Revenue and Civil Audit. This reduces the number during the busiest time of the year to 17, when either one or two may be deducted on account

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account of sickness, which further reduces it so low that the work can hardly be performed -

With regard to the Magis-

4 -trates Department, I would beg to represent that the Establishment consists of one Moonshee and 4 goomas-tahs, one of the latter is attached to the Head Assistant, and one to the Assistant which leaves, 1 Moonshee and 2 goomastahs for the Magistrate; they are engaged in writing depositions and copying into the Books the orders sent to the different Talooks as well as to prepare the quarterly, Half yearly and annual accounts required by the Sessions Court, the removal of one of them will be severely felt, when the Govern-ment requires a reduction one is entered in the list for dismissal to carry out their wishes -

5 The Board remark, in Para 4 of the above Proceedings, that the limited establishment strength of the Collectors Establishment is an additional argument for the early Establishment of the printing Press - To this

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this. I would submissively beg to reply that this remark is to some extent true, but the Sheristadars goomastahs are very much engaged in calculating and converting contrary Pagodas into Rupees annas and Pie, and in deducting the usual remissions of 1/3 and 1/4 from 1,80,000 individual Puttahs of this District in which the printing Press is useless, and in the Magistrates Department it may be employed in striking off circular orders, but cannot be in copying the different orders into the Books. The Board have allowed that the whole Establishment is too small, less than that of the surrounding District and whether the printing Press after further reducing the establishment will greatly facilitate public business is a problem yet to be determined, if the Government would sanction the proposed reductions forwarded to the Board with my letter of the 10th October last, it would be more convenient than the reduction of the individuals referred to in the above letter.

Vide letter to Board 15th November 1856 No. 119.

Cuddapah District Collectors Office on Circuit Tumrumulmuddoogoo 17th December 1856

(Signed) M. Macvey
Collector
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B. No. 717

Proceedings thereon.

(301.2)

Resolved that the foregoing letter be submitted for the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council

1. The Establishment engaged by the Board for the Cuddapah Press consisted of the following persons.—

1	Head Printer Rupees	25
1	Second Do	15
1	Third Do	12
1	Fourth Do	8
1	Pressman	12
1	Ballman	8
1	Assistant	5
	Total	85

2. To meet the above charge the Collector and the Courts have agreed to make the following reductions in their respective establishment.

Collector

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Collectors Establishment

1	Cash Goomastah	10
1	Magistrates &c.	10
1	Moonshee	9
1	Writer English Department	10
1	Sheristahs Goomastah	13
1	Coommickee	4

Civil Courts Establishment.

1	Goomastah	25

Sudr Collectors Establishment.

1	Goomastah	10

Total Rupees 91

3 There will thus be a surplus of Six Rupees per mensem which will be reserved for Contingent purposes.

4 The Public Officers in Cudapah having now fully met the requirements of Government in providing a proper Establishment for the Press without any additional charge to the State, the Board of Revenue resolve to request that Government will be pleased

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pleased to sanction the arrangements proposed for that purpose as particularized above.

No 9335

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

Read the following

No 276

To

Colonel C. E. Faber
Chief Engineer D. P. Works
Fort Saint George

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B. No 159

From the Collector of Rajahmundry } Sir,

In a letter to the District Engineer under date the 22d December 1855 I mentioned that a certain extent of land in the vicinity of the proposed site of the new Sea Custom House at Cocanada held as Enam might be procured by purchase, Land on which to build godowns &c. is much sought for and applications I have the honor to state have been made by private individuals to be allowed to purchase a portion of the ground in question among others a Mr Strawbrough on behalf of a Calcutta firm, Messrs Livingstone Withers & Co. Mr Strawbrough has this season brought

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brought Cotton down the river and one of the uses to which he wishes Sunderland to put the land, is to erect a Cotton screw thereon. The District Engineer, on being applied to has informed Mr Staubrough that if I have no objections, he has none, to an extent of 100 Yards of river facing being given out of the extent proposed to be purchased, as all of it is not likely to be required by Government. It appears to me that, as the matter has been laid before you nothing can be done towards giving any portion of the land to another party without your approval. I agree with Captain Rundall that the land as Red for is not likely to be required by Government but should it not be wanted for Government purposes the question will arise whether parties ought not to be left to make their own arrangements with the holder. Again Enam land, as a general rule is not

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not saleable but under the circumstances of the case and considering how much it will be for the good of the port to facilitate the acquiring of land for building, Government might be induced to authorize the sale on the present instance, but before proceeding further in the matter, I am anxious to know whether you are of opinion, that all the land in question should be reserved for public purposes, or whether the extent mentioned can be spared

Rajahmundry District,
Collectors Office,
Rajahmuggrum.
24th December 1856

/Signed/ A Purvis
Collector

Resolved to forward copy of the foregoing letter, with a request that the Board of Revenue will favor the Chief Engineer with their early opinion, as to the propriety or otherwise of disposing of the land alluded to by the Collector of Rajahmundry.

/Signed/ C. G Johnston, Capt
Ag. Dep. Engineer 2nd Circle

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Bd. No. 719

Proceedings thereon

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Under the opinion expressed by the Collector and the Engineer that the land is not likely to be required by Government the Board of Revenue see no objection to its acquisition by private individuals. The Collector has not stated whether the Enam is held for any particular service but, any difficulty on this ground can doubtless be over come by the grant of land in some other locality on the same terms. The spot relinquished would then be assessed to the Revenue. The Collector will be requested to furnish full information as to the validity of the title, extent, value &c. of the Enam, and on receipt of these details the Board will be enabled to give a more decided opinion on the question.

To

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No. 4

To

J. D. Sim Esqr.

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

Sir,

(305)

Bd. No. 362

From the Acting Coll.r of Malabar . . . .

No. 369

Dated 1st January 1857

With reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation under date the 31st October 1856 received with the Boards Proceedings of the 6th November last, I have the honor to submit the application of I. C. D. Aranjs for the commutation of his Pension, with Medical Certificate relative to his health and Statement shewing his age and amount of purchase money due to him, and beg to be favored with the Boards' sanction to disburse the said amount Viz.t Rupees 4320 to that individual

Sultans' Battery
15th January 1857

(Signed) W. Robinson
Acting Collector

Encl.e No. 1
No. 111

I hereby certify that I have this day examined Mr. I. C. D Aranjs and I find him in his usual state of health he suffers alone from the common debilities of old age.

Cochin
9th January 1857

(Signed) Civil Surgeon

Statement

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No.2 Statement shewing the Age and Amount of Monthly Pension Vz.a of the Applicant I. C. D'aranjs in the District of Malabar for commutation of his Pension.-

Name of Pensioner	Date of the Sanction of Government	Age Years	m	D.	Amount of monthly Pension	Commutation Company's Rupees
I. C. D'aranjs	18th March 1854	66	4.	17.	60 " "	4,320 " "

(Signed) W. Robinson
Acting Collector

No.

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No.5

To

J. D. Sim Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St.e George

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Bz. No.382
From the Actg.
Coll.r of Malabar

d/23d Decr/56

Sir,

With reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation received with Board's Proceedings No.3697 under date the 6th November 1856, I have the honor to submit Mr. P. A Cabral's application for commutation of Pension, with medical certificate relative to his case and Statement shewing the requisite particulars in such case and beg to be favored with the Board's sanction to disburse the amount viz Rupees 764-4-. to that individual.-

Sultan's Battery
15th January 1857

(Signed) W. Robinson
Acting Collector

No.1

To

W. Robinson Esqre
Collector of Malabar

Sir,

Most respectfully I take the liberty to address you these lines humbly begging that

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that you will pardon me for the intrusion

Pursuant to a circular issued by you
No. 3969 dated 15th Instant, having for its
object the payment of Commutation in
lieu of Pensions, I beg to state that I am
willing to avail myself of this offer under
the rates therein specified and to re
main with due respect.

Calicut
23d December 1856 } /Signed/ P. A. Cabral

No. 2

This is to certify that Mr. P. A. Cabral
Pensioner Sub Court Calicut has been
examined and found to be in a good State of health

Calicut 5th January
1857 } /Signed/ C. S. Cleveland M.D.
Civil Surgeon

No. 3

Statement shewing particulars relating to Mr. P. A. Cabral, applicant for commutation of Pension.

Name of Pensioner	Date of Government Sanction	Age Yrs.	Mo	Amount of Monthly Pension	Commutation Co's Rs.
Mr. P. A. Cabral	4th April 37	68	4	10 9	1036 4 2

/Signed/ W. Robinson
Acting Collector

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Bd. No. 725

Resolution thereon

(306-7)

Resolved that the

Ins. C. 6th Nov. 56

above letters be forwarded for the
orders of the Right Honorable
the Governor in Council with re
ference to Extract Minutes Con
sultation dated 31st October 1856. No. 408

2. The Board are not
aware whether the orders quoted
above are intended to apply to the
Commutations of pensions of
Superannuated Public Servants,
and request to be favored with
the instructions of Government on
the subject

3 They also request to be
informed whether they are to dispose
of applications for the commutation
of allowances from the late
Native Pension Fund

Read

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Read again List from the Collector of North Arcot dated 24th and Entered in Miscellaneous Consultation 27th January 1857 of letters received from the Board of Revenue and remaining unanswered to the 31st December 1856

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Bde No. 712

Proceedings thereon

The Collector having on the 7th July last replied to the Board's Circulars dated 19th March 1856 No. 1520, requiring a Statement of Covenanted Officers in Revenue Employ. the above call should not have appeared in this list.

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No. 15

To J. D. Sim Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

309

Bde No. 439

From the Actg Collr of Madura ...

Sir,

With reference to Para 2 of the Board's Proceedings of the 21st Ultimo, I have the honor to submit a revised Tabular Form of proposed reductions in the Establishment of this District to meet the charges of the Printing Press. In this I have only to observe that one of the 3 Revenue Peons entered in the list forwarded with my predecessor's letter of the 16th October last having been found to have been employed otherwise than in the work of transcription I have ordered his reappointment and discontinuance of a Police Peon now employed in such duty causing thereby an addition of 14 Annas in the reduction now suggested.

Madura
24th January 1857

[Signed] R. J. Sullivan
Acting Collector

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List shewing the Establishment reduced to meet the Expenses of the Establishment of the Printing Press in the District of Madura

Description	Amount		Total	
	Rs	As Ps	Rs	As Ps
Amount Sanctioned up to 1st August 1856	"	"	10,813	" "
Servants reduced to meet the Expences of the Establishment of the Printing office				
New Customs Department				
1 Writer		28 " "		
Sheristadars Department				
1 Goomastah		17 8 "		
Moonshees Department				
1 Raysom		10 8 "		
2 Revenue Peon Ausamies of the Madacolum and Mayloor Talook		7 " "		
3 Police Peons Ausamies of the Madacolum Sivaamungalum and Iyempully Talooks		13 2 "		
		76 2 "		
Establishment uninterfered with		10,736 14 "		
			10,813 " "	

Madura 24th January 1857

Description	Amount		Total	
	Rs	As Ps	Rs	As Ps
7 Servants for the Printing Office	72	8 "		
Establishment uninterfered with	10,736	14 "	10,809	6 "
Sundrywards charges for the Printing Office			3	10 "
Total			10,813	" "

Signed R. J. Sullivan
Acting Collector

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Bd. No. 726

Proceedings thereon (309-10)

The Acting Collector of Madura having now met the requirements of the Board, by proposing reductions in those departments in which work will be lessened by the introduction of a press the Board resolve to lay the correspondence before Government for their Orders.-

H. Madurow 18th Oct. in Cr. 20th Dec. 156
Res: to Coll. 20th Dec. 156
H. Coll. 24th Jany. in Cr. 9th March 2

The Establishment provided for the printing press consists of the following workmen.-

1	Record Compositor		25
1	Assistant	Di.	10-8
1	2d	Di. Di.	8--
1	3d	Di. Di.	7--
1	Pressman	Di.	9--
1	Assistant	Di.	6--
1	Ballman		7--
	Total		72-8--

3 The reductions proposed in the permanent establishment to meet the above charge are as follows.

Writer

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1	Writer		28--
1	Goomastah		17-8--
1	Raysum		10-8--
3	Peons at 3-8- each		10-8--
2	Di at 4-6 Di		8-12--
	Total		75-4--

4. It will be observed from the Acting Collector's explanation that the 5 peons alluded to were previously occupied in the work of transcription,- and may consequently be dispensed with without infringing the orders of Government in relation to the class of Servants who should be displaced to provide means for working the press

5 The Board recommend that the arrangements proposed by the Acting Collector receive the Sanction of Government There will be a small surplus of Rupees 2-8-- which will be retained to meet contingencies, for which purpose the earnings of the Press will also be available- The Board remark that no reductions are proposed in the Courts which must consequently pay for all work done

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No. 24

To

J. D. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

Sir,

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Bd. No. 513

From the Bd. Coll.r of Madura . . .

Reporting on Petitions No.s 3544 3545, 3566, and 3637 of 1856.-

With reference to the endorsement of the Board on the Petitions noted in the margin, I have the honor to report that in the death of Moottoo Pillay the Meerassa Curnum of Coonarumpully in 1847 his eldest son named Moottoo Pillay one of the Petitioners was appointed on the 24th March of the same year as a Curnum Goomastah only. This was done at the request of the deceased's wife, and as a temporary measure.

No. 3544	
3545	
3566	
3637 of 1856	

herewith returned

2. In 1854 and prior to that time certain charges were brought against the Petitioner by the Nattamar and Ryots of the Village. The following is the result of investigations made both at the Hoozoor and Taluk Cutcherries

Amount defrauded

Fraudulent Classification of lands by Petitioner as discovered in Fuslies 1262 & 1264 — 58-9-4

Levying Neunjah Veeram on certain lands and Creating Gaonnumen with Poonjah Veeram only in Fusly 1264 — 37-10-8

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3 The above items have been proved against the petitioner and the amount in question made good and carried to the account of Government.-

4 The Petitioner was charged also with having entered Ayen lands as Manium and vice versa, and with having transferred Puttahs to new holders without permission. On all these charges he was found guilty.-

5. Various other charges, such as concealment of Cultivation, making excess Collections, and levying Contributions from the Ryots have been dismissed for want of sufficient proof.-

6. For these reasons as well as in consequence of his disagreement with most of the Villagers, Petitioners has been removed from the office of Curnum Goomastah, and the Sahsildar called upon to name a competent successor to perform his duties.-

7. Moottoo Pillay the deceased

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Merasse Curnum has left a son who is a Minor and will be provided for when he attains his majority.

Madura 30th January 1857

(Signed) R. S. Sullivan
Acting Collector

Bd No 731
Order thereon
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Ordered that the following Endorsement be passed on petitions 3544, 3545, 3566, 3637 of 1856 and 374 of 1857.—

"From a report received from the Collector, it appears that Petitioner, Acting Curnum Goomastah, was dismissed on connection of various acts of Malversations. The charges comprised frauds practised in the preparation of the public accounts and in the classifications of land and embezzlement of Collections made from the Ryots on account of Government."

2 "Under these circumstances the Board confirm the sentence of dismissal."

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No 19

To, I. D. Sim, Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue,
Fort St. George.

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Bd No 734
From the Ag Sub Collr in charge of Masulipatam
Collector's Cutchery,
18th February 1857.

Sir,

Standing in urgent need of some Telugu Types for the Collectorate Press at this Station, I have the honor to enclose two Memorandums of what is wanted, and request the favor of your procuring for me the same from the Government Press as elsewhere. The cost will be remitted to you on the receipt of your intimation.

(Signed) M. C. Chase,
Ag Sub Collr in Charge.

Memorandum.

Headings in large Telugu characters, as under, are much wanted for Notices, Circulars, &c.—

ఇసిపతిరునావమా
సరకువ్యవిలర్
ప్రకటనపత్రిక.

(Signed) M. C. Chase,
Ag Sub Collector
in charge.

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Telugu Types, English Body

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(Signed) M. C. Chase,
Dy. Sub Coll. in charge.

Bd. No. 724.

Resolution thereon. Resolved that the foregoing letter be transferred to the Revenue Secretary to Government. The Board request the Superintendent of the Gazette Press may be instructed to

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to procure and forward the articles required, with a Memorandum of their Cost.

No. 34.

To, I. D. Sim, Esqr.
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

Sir

(315)

Bd. No. 797.
From the Acting Collr. of Salem

I have the honor to forward Copy of an application made to me by Mr. Martin, the Head Accountant of this office, for one Months leave, and beg to be favored with the Boards instructions on the subject of the Uncovenanted Service Rules. I wish to know whether those Rules have reference to the Servants attached to a Collectors office, receiving 100 Rupees and upwards, or only to officers receiving their appointments direct from Government. whether the Head Accountant, whose Salary is 100 Rupees per mensem, comes under

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under these Rules, and if leave be granted him, it is necessary that the same should appear in the official Gazette.

Salem, Collector's Office, Salem, 24th February 1857.

(Signed) I. W. Cherry
Acting Collector.

Encl. No. 1.

I. W. Cherry Esqre.

Sir,

I respectfully beg you will be pleased to favor me with one Months leave on private affairs, under Section 7 of the Uncovenanted Absentees Rules.

Salem, 24th February 1857.

(Signed) R. Martin
Head Accountant.

(True Copy)
(Signed) I. W. Cherry
Acting Collector

(315/16)

Bd. No. 1729.
Proceedings thereon.

The Collector will observe from the notification of the Government of India, prefixed to the Rules adverted to, that they apply to all Uncovenanted Servants who

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who are in receipt of Salaries of Rupees one hundred a Month and upwards. It is not however necessary for Collectors to publish, in the Fort St. George Gazette, any leave which they may grant under the authority vested in them by the orders of Government, circulated from this office on the 8th July 1856.

The Collector will however understand that all leave granted by him to Public Servants will be entered in the annual Returns, prescribed by the Supreme Government in their Resolutions 25th July 1856 and 6th February 1857. Gazette Page 341 and 362 Respectively.

No. 31.

To, I. D. Sim, Esqre.
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue,
Fort St. George.

(317)

Bd. 9 No. 827
From the Acting Collr. of Salem.

Sir,

I have the honor

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honor to forward English &
and Tamil Copies of &
a notice and list of
articles for which prizes
will be given at the
Exhibition to be held at
Combaconum on the 30th
and 31st March next -

Tanjore, - -
27th February 1857. } (Signed) H. D. Phillips
Acting Collector

Proceedings

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Bd. No. 718.

Proceedings thereon - The Board approve gene-
(317-18) rally of the Prize list submitted, and
would only suggest that Nos. 72-80-82 &
83 be increased, the improvement of the
breed of Cattle in Tanjore being a matter
of great importance -

2 The Board Request to be furnished with
No. 14-16-17-18 Samples of the Prize Products, noted in the margin,
29-33- and with Specimens of any new or valuable
Resins, Gums, Fibres, Dyes, Drugs, &c. &c. which
may be Exhibited -

3. The Acting Collector will
make arrangements for exhibiting &
some of the Bulls introduced into
this District by Government, but these
will not of course compete &
for Prizes -

To, I. D. Sims, Esqre No. 31.
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue,
Fort St. George -

(319) Sir,

Bd. No. 855. Having observed in the
From the Acting Collr. of Guntoor } public Newspapers a notice of the &
Government

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Government orders, dated 9th Instant, the proposed revision of the assessment of the coast villages of this Dist. I have the honor to Request that I may be favored with a Copy of the Government Minute, if the Board see no objection with the view to my guidance in conducting the settlement of those lands for the present year, as I propose proceeding to Ramapetta in a few days for the annual Jamabundy.

Guntoor District,
Collectors office,
Condaned,
28th February 1857.

(Signed) H. Newill
Acting Collr

Order thereon—

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Ordered to be recorded—the orders of Government, of 7th February 1857, having been Communicated to the Acting Collector under date the 28th ideno.—

Read

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Read again letter from the Collector of Tinnevelly dated 13th and entered in Consultation 19th March —

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Bd. No. 721

Proceedings thereon. The Collector is requested to state, with reference to para 2. of the foregoing letter, whether the accounts are now ready — If in consequence of the difficulty of ascertaining the exact area occupied by Palmyra Topes they are not an approximate estimate of the extent of land so occupied, will suffice for present purposes.

Resolved that the following Statements be despatched.— Comparative

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Comparative for the Month of January 1857 in Fusly 1266.

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	Names	Increase	Decrease	Extra Sources current and arrears. Fusly 1265.	Fusly 1266.	Increase	Decrease	Total Land and Extra Sources current and arrears. Fusly 1265.	Fusly 1266.	Increase	Decrease
		12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Ganjam	"	12646	241906	379748	137842	"	842894	854323	11429	"
2	Vizagapat	442		149346	230605	81259	"	653382	735083	81701	"
3	Rajahmun	"	11511	285999	280004	"	5995	1367556	1245793	"	121763
4	Masulipata	"	8154	225215	164026	"	61189	636353	493820	"	142533
5	Guntoor	58251		270275	239503	"	30772	803675	831154	27479	"
6	Nellore	96426		249792	288783	"	6009	803307	893774	90417	"
7	Cuddapah	32715		174724	170989	"	3735	1245092	1274072	28980	"
8	Bellary	"	1135	243720	245508	1848	"	1102343	1104078	1735	"
9	Kurnool	49183		67081	73212	6131	"	418760	474074	53314	"
10	Chinglepu	111447		140109	209317	69208	"	344962	525617	180655	"
11	North Arc	343134		97917	122013	24096	"	1140728	1507958	367230	"
12	South Arc	66597		328119	399752	71633	"	1034803	1173033	138230	"
13	Tanjore	"	15195	587919	653738	67819	"	2031861	1947729	"	84132
14	Trichinop	82695		34877	32703	"	2174	617343	697864	80521	"
15	Madura	"	10284	318012	327033	9021	"	1040917	949075	"	91842
16	Tinnevell	116672		303887	315028	11141	"	1270599	1398412	127813	"
17	Coimbator	"	4695	74728	96203	21475	"	687043	661566	"	25477
18	Salem	44511		124627	124165	"	462	707562	751611	44049	"
19	Canara	"	8018	287875	359102	57227	"	859910	830951	"	28959
20	Malabar	"	20303	394374	441873	47499	"	1233252	1260448	27198	"
21	Madras	3818	"	703019	691061	"	11958	734128	725988	"	8140
22	D° Sea C	"		374485	400722	26237	"	374485	400722	26237	"
		1005891	72386	5723006	6227418	626436	122294	19950955	20737095	1288986	502846
						50414	"			786140	
		28998		5382734	5836863	454129	"	15846065	16341281	695216	
				340272	390285	50013	"	4104890	4195814	90924	

Nos. Current arrears.

ment.

(Signed) J. Lum
Asst. Collr.

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General Comparative Abstract of the Collections in the various items

	Fusly 1265.	Fusly 1266.	Increase	Decrease
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Land Revenue	14227949	14509947	281998	
Extra Sources.				
Abkarry	1200182	1368055	167873	
Sundry small Farms Vizt.				
Salt	2821571	3058631	237060	
Sea Customs	618083	690511	72428	
Moturpha	590377	575706	"	14671
Stamps	387028	429443	42415	
Sayer	105765	104802	"	963
Total Extra Sources	5723006	6227148	504142	
Grand Total	19950955	20737095	786140	
Particulars				
Collections to the end of December	14305705	14821827	516122	
Do in January 1857	5645250	5915268	270018	
Total	19950955	20737095	786140	

Signed J. D. Sim,
A. G. Secretary.

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Remarks.

A Owing chiefly to large sales of Salt and to increase in Exports.

B Owing chiefly to a change in the Kistbundy and also to smaller outstanding arrears of Peishcush.

C Owing to smaller arrears of Zemindary Peishcush to the Ryotwary Collections having been made according to a fixed Kistbundy, and to a decrease in the sales of Salt, caused by the detention of the Dumbadies by the annicut channels.

D Mainly from the Collections of large balances outstanding at the close of Fusly 1265.

E Unexplained.

F Owing to the favorable character of the season and the high prices obtained by the Ryots for their produce.

E. Unexplained.

E' Ditto.

G Owing chiefly to the suspension of 20% of the Woloorgo demand.

H Owing to a large Collection of arrears, and to the transfer of the Manapara Talook from the Madura District.

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Bd No 733

Statement of the value of Gold and Silver Bullion and Specie Imported by Sea in the month of December 1856 into Madras and its Subordinate Ports from Ports and places not Subordinate to Madras.

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Districts.	Imported into	From.	Silver Valued		By Individuals in Company's Rupees	Gold valued in Company's Rupees.					Grand Total of Bullion and Specie Imported.
			Bullion.	Company's Rupees	Dollars.	Francs.	Total.	Bullion.	Sovereigns.	Gold Coin.	Pagodas.	Old Gold.	
Ganjam	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Vizagapatam	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
		Coringa		5000	"	"	5000	"	"	"	"	"	5,000
Rajahmundry	Coringa	Arracan	"	2000	"	"	2000	"	"	"	"	"	2,000
	Cocanada	Moulmein	"	6000	"	"	6000	"	"	"	"	"	6,000
	Nursapoor	Do	"	11296	"	"	11,296	"	"	"	"	"	11296
		Rangoon	"	24296									24296
		Total	"		"	"	24296	"	"	"	"	"	
Masulipatam	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Guntoor	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Nellore	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Chingleput	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
South arcot	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Tanjore	Tanjore District and its subordinate Ports	Columbo	"	109900	"	"	109900	"	"	"	"	"	109900
Madura	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Tinnevelly	Tutacorin	Columbo	"	12000	"	"	12,000	"	34000	"	"	34,000	46,000
		Columbo	"	45800	"	"	45800	"	"	"	"	"	45800
		Muscat	"	12200	"	"	12,200	"	"	"	"	"	12200
		Soor	"	5000	"	"	5,000	"	"	"	"	"	500
		Mastab	"	2500	"	"	2500	"	"	"	"	"	2500
Canara	Canara	Bahrein	"	11520	"	"	11520	"	"	"	"	"	11520
		Goa	"	1000	"	"	1000	"	"	"	205	205	1205
		Deimaun	"	500200	"	"	500200	9184	2000	"	"	111.84	511384
		Bombay	100	15000	"	"	15000	"	"	"	"	"	15000
		Cutch	"	5000	"	"	5000	"	"	"	"	"	5000
		Kurrachee	"	59822	"	"	59,822	9184	2000	"	205	11389	609615
		Total	100		"	"				17630	"	17630	439660
Malabar	Malabar	Bombay	"	42,2030	"	"	42,2030	"	"	"	"	14200	14200
		Bombay	"	"	"	"	"	11700	2500	"	"	6500	6500
		Calcutta	"	"	"	"	"	6500	"	"	"	46103	49978
Madras	Madras	Point de Galle	"	3375	3375	"	3375	46603	"	"	"	1131.15	501250
		Sinzy	66380	"	65055	255800	387835	"	113415	"	"	180718	571928
		Total	66380	"	69030	255800	391210	64803	115915	"	"	243737	1801399
Grand Total of Imports			66480	1111.84	69030	255800	155766	73987	157915	17630	205		

(Signed) J D Gun
Asst Secy

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Statement of the value of Gold and Silver Bullion and Specie, Exported by Sea in the months of December 1856 from Madras and its Subordinate Ports, to Ports and Places as noted against each.

Districts.	Exported to	By Individuals.	Silver washed in Company's Rupees.	Company's Dollars	Total.
Tinnevelly	Tuticorin	Rupees			16,000
	Colombo	"			
					16,000
Madras	Calcutta	Rupees			41,000
		"			41,000
	Point de Galle	Rupees			112,000
		"			112,000
Grand Total of Exports		Rupees			153,000
		"			153,000
					169,000

(Signed) J. D. Sim
Sub Secy to G.

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From Govt 26th June in Cons 7th July 1856 No 1558.
To Chief Engineer D.O. 22d Sept 1856 No 3073.
From Govt 2d in Cons 17th Dec 1856 No 44 Financial
Railway Department
From Chief Engineer 26th November in Cons 17 Dec 1856.
Public Works Madras 17th Dec 1856 No 4282.
After 149. From Govt 8th January in Cons 2d March 1857 No 42.
554. From Govt 4th February in Cons 3d. [P.W.D.
March 1857 No 134.
R. D.

324 181. From Madras 9th January in Cons 4th March 57.
No 3.
B. No 734.
Proceedings thereon.

Reporting upon the proposition for connecting the Salt Depôt at Madras with the Railway in order to lessen the cost of conveying that article inland, and submitting the correspondence on the subject.

The above correspondence refers to the proposition for connecting the Salt Depôt at Madras with the Railway in order to lessen the cost of conveying that article inland.

2. At present salt is brought by Government from the places of Manufacture by Canal to the Depôt at Madras, from whence parties purchasing it for conveyance by Rail have to carry it at considerable expense to the Station.

3. The Railway passes over the Canal at a point about 3/4 Mile distant from the Depôt, and the Chief

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an expense for building platform, and the Board presume) siding also, of about Rupees 4,000. The siding would be about 700 yards in length and the cost of carrying the salt along it would, on the present traffic of 22,500 Tons per annum, be Rupees 375 at the rates estimated by the Chief Engineer. On the other hand to connect the present Depôt with the rail would require a line of about 1400 yards and cost about Rupees 35,600 and the expense of carriage at the same rates, and on the same amount of traffic, would be 750 Rupees. Thus the expense in each case would be as follows.-

Note.- If the expense of a siding is not included the Comparison would be still more adverse to the 3d plan.--

	Rs
3d plan	4,000
4th "	35,600

Note.- The difference will be still greater if the first item does not include the necessary siding.

Difference- 10,400

8. The charge for carriage however is double in the latter case what it would in the former but this will be borne by the purchaser and will be but a small per centage of the expense he now incurs.- The

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Chief Engineer suggests four different modes of attaining the object in view.

4. The first plan is to construct a line of rail to the places of manufacture where salt is neither stored nor sold at present- the second is to convey the salt to the Railway by the Canal having a siding at the Bridge where the line passes over the Canal, and to lift the salt by a Crane out of the boats into the Railway trucks.

5. The Chief Engineer negatives both these plans and the Board concur in his views.

6. The 3d mode is to construct a new Platform or Depôt close to the point where the railway passes over the Canal with a siding from the Rail. The Chief Engineer states that if there was not a platform already constructed and in use he would give this plan the preference but under existing circumstances he is in favor of the 4th which is to connect the present platform with the Railway by a short Branch line.-

7th The 3d plan would involve an

9 The Board having visited the backjas. and also conferred personally with the Mr. Cammiade on the subject are led, by the information thus gained, to concur with the Chief Engineer in considering the fourth plan Viz.t. that of connecting the present platform with the Railway as the best under existing circumstances. The consideration which has chiefly influenced them in giveing the preference to this over the 3.d plan is the probability of its being carried out in a much shorter period. Four or five Months would, they understand suffice to construct a line from the existing platform to the Railway, while it would take nearly two years to raise a new platform, as the earth required must be brought from some other locality and would need time to settle. But for this the Board would have preferred erecting a new platform close to the Railway, making it, if the first outlay were considered, a matter of moment only sufficiently large for the Inland and

and Export trade and reserving the existing platform for the home sales. There is a sufficient extent of land available for the purpose close to the Railway, and its level is much the same as that of the present Depôt. The advantages of this plan are, that about 3/4 of a Mile of water carriage would be saved to Government, and to the purchaser a moiety of the expense of putting the salt on the rail. But the length of time which would be required to construct the platform appears to the Board to more than counterbalance these advantages and to render the plan on the whole, inferior to the project of the Chief Engineer for connecting the existing platform with the Railway.—

10 It has been suggested to the Board that a simpler and less expensive plan might be adopted by connecting the Railway with the present Cotourse by means of an inline at the point where the railway crosses the Canal and a train may in contemnation into

into the Cotaurs Primâ facie the suggestion appears to be deserving of consideration but the plan is not before the Board and till discussed in all its details they could not venture to offer an opinion as to its suitableness to the present exigency.

11. It is expedient, the Board think, that all Government land along the line of Canal in the neighbourhood of the Railway should be carefully reserved not merely in expectation of a considerable extension of the Salt Department being rendered necessary hereafter, but because the land will afford valuable wharfage where the junction of the North and South Canals is effected for such goods as may be required in the interior.-

12. The Board do not gather from the Chief Engineer's proceedings how it is intended to draw the trucks from the platform to the Rail and vice versa, but they conclude this has been with the Railway authorities The salt should be placed at the bottom

platform in the trucks in which it is to be conveyed to its final destination, so as to avoid incurring any extra charge for its removal from one set of trucks to another.-

In Con. 4th March 57. 13. In his letter dated 9th January last the Collector of Madras gives the expense at present of conveying a 10 Garce heap of salt from Madras to Amoor according to the Statement of Messrs. Cammiade & Co. These are contracted with the probable charges if a rail is constructed as now proposed in the following Statement.-

	At present	In future
	Rs.	Rs.
1. Carriage to Termini	26 -	1½
2. Cooly hire for packing	4 —	2
3. Wear and tear of Gunny Bags	30 -	-
4. Railway Charge	120 —	120
	180 —	123½

14. The first charge is calculated on the Chief Engineer's rates. the 2d may be almost entirely saved and can scarcely exceed a half of that now incurred, and the 3d will be wholly avoided as the salt will be

bespacked in bulk in the trucks.-

15. There will thus be a saving to the Merchant of rather more than 5 Rupees on every Garce, and supposing he has to pay for the conveyance of the Salt from the Depot to the Railway station the charges will certainly be only 6 annas per Garce of 120 S. M. instead of being 6 Rupees as at present. To the wholesale purchaser, who already receives a discount of 5 per Cent, the saving will thus be again of about 5 per Cent more, but to consumers purchasing in small quantities the saving will be less than 3 pice per Mercal.-

In Cons 3d March 1857. 16. With reference to Extract Minutes Consultation 4th "Ultimo No 134 R.D, the Board remark that in his conference with them Mr. Cammiade expressed himself strongly in favour of the plan recommended by the Chief Engineer and concurred in by the Board. The opinion given by the

From Govt 4th Feb. in Cons 3 March 57 No. 134 R.D.

the Firm in their letter to the Secretary to Government dated 19th January last was probably founded on the supposition that a line from the present platform to the Railway would be a work of great expense. The Board are satisfied from experience in other Districts that the construction of a new platform would require much longer time than Messrs. Cammiade & Co. have supposed, in para 12 of their letter above referred to, and in fact Mr. Cammiade on his interview with them laid particular stress on saving of time as the great recommendation in favor of Colonel Faber's suggestion of the measure now proposed will remove one of the obstacles to the extension of the Salt trade noticed by Messrs. Cammiade & Co.-

17. The other main difficulty represented by Messrs. Cammiade & Co. is the heavy Railway charge on Salt. The Board are not aware

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on what calculations the rate fixed for Salt have been determined, or whether the Railway Community can afford to carry it cheaper. The Board are not prepared to infer from the mere fact of ordinary Carts on the Trunk Road competing successfully with the rail in this branch of traffic that the Railway charge is of necessity too high. Salt is the chief article carried inland from Madras and return Carts convey it now to Arcot for exactly the same sum as the Railway charges to carry it to Amoor only, and the Cost of transit from Amoor to Arcot, with Agency charges, being thus saved, the preference is of Course given to the former mode of conveyance. The return hire of each bandy to Arcot, a distance of 70 Miles, is said to be only 1½ Rs or about 4 Pice per Mile. It may, the Board think, be safely assumed that this rate of hire is not remunerative to the Cart owners and that they are enabled to accept it only by the

the profit derived in the higher rate obtained on their loads into Madras.—

18. It is stated by Messrs. & Co Carriade that the Cartmen convey back Salt at half-fare rather than return empty and the Board see no reason to doubt the truth of the assertion. Whether by any reduction of fare which the Railway Managers can afford to make, the competition of the Cartmen could be precluded, the Board have not the means of forming a satisfactory opinion. They think it probable that, until the railroad extends considerably further inland and greater facilities are afforded by the establishment of Agents for the transfer of Goods thereto from the ordinary means of carriage, much of the produce of distant Districts will continue to be brought into Madras by Carts and these will of course accept very low fares rather than return empty. Be this as it may, however, the question is one which the Board do not feel called on to discuss here.—

Already

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19. Already owing to the competition of the Railroad the charge for the carriage of Salt into the interior has been reduced 50 per Cent, and it is reasonable to suppose that the Managers of the Railroad will not persist in shutting themselves out from so large an Item of traffic by maintaining their present rates, if it be in their power to reduce them without loss so much as to secure a Monopoly for it.

If to attain the object of cheapening Salt to the consumer in the interior the Government is willing to run the risk of giving up a portion of their revenue (the result however might prove to be a gain) they can at once effect it by reducing the Monopoly price without interfering with the course of trade or the operations of the Merchant. The Board doubt whether Government could thus sell salt cheaper than the private trader, unless it be intended that they should sell it at less than the Monopoly rate

N.B. The entire railway charge to Amoor is only 1-8 per maund.

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and charges, but and in that case it is obvious that the measure must be carried out throughout the Presidency and not be restricted to the tract of Country where, from the facility of transport afforded by the Rail, the relief is least required.

On the other hand the consumer would gain little, if any thing by Government assuming the functions of the Merchant, if salt is to be sold at its cost and charges, and so long as he gets it at cheap rates it is immaterial to him whether it is brought by rail or Cart, by Government or a private trader. He now has (as Messrs Cammiade & Co's letter of the 19th January last above quoted shows,) in the competition already excited, security against undue enhancement of price by the sellers, and Government could give him little more, for they could only control the retail sales within certain limits in the same manner as Messrs Cammiade & Co operations

Note. In this remark the Board limit themselves to the question before them in connection with the Madras Railway without reference to the question of a reduction of the Monopoly rate on general grounds.

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operations check the demands of the native traders and the Railway controls the Cart hire.

The Board cannot see any reason therefore why Government should interfere to ensure the carriage of Salt by the Rail. If it is proposed to convey Salt on Government account at a lower rate than on account of private traders, the necessary inference is, that the present rate of charge admits of reduction and the interposition of Government is not called for as the Railway Company have, in their own hands, the power of drawing the traffic to the Rail by reducing it, for of course the cost of carrying the Salt will not be less because it is Government property.

The Board are therefore of opinion that in this case Government will have discharged its obligation to procure for the consumer of Salt the benefit of the Railroad by removing the present difficulty of communication

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between the Platform and the Railway. Further interference would seem to be altogether unnecessary for the purpose of promoting the traffic, while the competition among private traders is such that a saving of 3 piece per Mercal (all that the junction line of Rail will effect) is a matter of moment to Messrs. Cummiade & Co. But whether the interests of the Railroad itself impose on Government the duty of investigating the question of charges is a point on which, as already remarked, the Board deem it beyond their province to offer an opinion.

To,
The Secretary and Treasurer
Bank of Madras.

(325)

B. No. 713.
To the Sec. and Treasurer Bank of Madras.

Sir,

I am directed by the Court of Wards to forward herewith an Accountant General's Bill for seven thousand Rupees, and to request that

that you will realize the amount and place it to the credit of the Secretary to the Court of Wards for the time being in a separate Account, No. 3.

No. 3, Shevagunga in Madura.

2. I beg that you will furnish me with a Bank Book and Cheque Book. It will suffice if you will enter the various accounts in one Book, several pages being reserved for each separate amount. The Cheques will shew to which account each sum drawn is to be debited.

Revenue Board Office,
For^t St. George,
9^th March 1857.

(Signed) T. D. Sim,
Adj^t Sec^y^

No. 1.

No. 237 of 1857.

To,
The Accountant General,
Fort St. George.

Sir,

I request you will be pleased to pay at 2 days sight and per advice of this my First of Exchange (the Second and Third of the same tenor and date being unpaid) you will be pleased to pay to the Acting Secretary to the Court of Wards, or order the sum of Company's Rupees seven thousand, for value received into this Treasury from the Acting Collector of Madura.

Madura,
6^th February 1857.

(Signed) R. I. Sullivan,
Adj^t Collector

Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous Letters and Statements.

326 Adj. No. 355. From the Coll^r of Vizagapatam. Informs that the within-mentioned Returns for February last are blank.

327 556. From the Adj. Coll^r of Vizagapatam. Season Report for Fusly 1257.

328 558. From the Coll^r of Rajahmundry. Season Report for Fusly 1257.

329 557. From the Coll^r of North Arcot. Season Report for Fusly 1257.

330 551. From the Coll^r of Bellary. Average Bazar Prices of Grain and Memo. of Gyen Cultivation for Fusly 1257.

331 544. From the Coll^r of Trichinopoly. Register of Petitions for February 1857.

332 552. From the Coll^r of Chingleput. Register of Petitions for February 1857.

333 553. From the Coll^r of Chingleput. Rain Report for February 1857.

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334
548.
From the Collr. of Rajahmundry. Statement of
Demand Collection and Balance of Revenue
for February 1857.

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From the Collr. of Bellary. Statement of Demd.
Collection and Balance of Revenue for
336 February 1857.
548.
From the Collr. of Nellore. Statement of Demd.
Collection and Balance of Revenue for
337 February 1857.
547.
From the Collr. of Madura. Statement of Demd.
Collection and Balance of Revenue
338 for February 1857.
549.
From the Collr. of Nellore. Account Current of
Salt for January 1857.
339
550.
From the Agt. Collr. of Guntoor. Account Current of
Salt for January 1857.
340
From the Collr. of Madras. Acknowledging
the receipt of 1.000 Salt
Rowanahs.

CB. Proceedings.

3381 Fort St. George 10th March 1857.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Tuesday the 10th March 1857.-

Read the following Papers.

341
Bd. No. 804
From the Act. Secretary to Government . . . } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 27th February 1857.- Authorizing the continuance of a certain lapsed Enam in the District of Nellore and directing the Board invariably to submit in future the original of all grants to enable the Government to decide on the validity of the claims of each.-

See No. 211 in Separate Volume P. 246

342
Bd. No. 739
Order thereon.-
Bd. No. 740
Proceedings thereon.
Dated 27th Feby 1857 No. 211 R.O.-
341.43

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector.- Under instructions from Government I am directed to request that the original grants, sunnuds or other documents on which claims to Enams are based be invariably forwarded when forthcoming with the Tabular Report on the lapse.-

Extract

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Bd No 800

No 105

From the Chief Secy to Government. — } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Financial Railway Department Dated 28th February 1857.

(344)

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue Here enter 6th February 1857 No 437

Resolved that copy of the above Extract with its Enclosures (in Original to be returned) be forwarded to the Consulting Engineer for his consideration and Report. —

To The President and Members of the Board of Revenue

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

(34445)

Bd No 738

Order thereon —

Ordered to be communicated with the Boards Proceedings to the Acting Collector of Malabar for his information. —

Fort St. George, 10th March 1857

No 249.

To,

J. D. Sim. Esqre

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue,

Fort St. George.

Sir,

(346)

Bd No 4545

From the Actg Collector of Madura. } With reference to your letter of the 19th August last, No 2607, I have the honor to forward an application for lands proposed to be allotted as sites of new hamlets in the Tenkurray Talook.

Madura, 1st November 1856. } (Signed) R. J. Sullivan,
Acting Collector.

Application

3384 Fort St. George, 10th March 1857.

No. 1.

Application for allotment of Sheigal lands for sites of houses Rent free.

Talook	Village	Description of lands	Extent of land	Tax		Remarks
				Cawes as	Rs. As. P.	
Tenkurray	Gengoowarputty	Poonjah	6 13¼	8	12 ..	As the parties wishing to build the houses undertake to cultivate the lands closely situated and long standing waste, it is recommended that the lands herein proposed may be allowed Rent free.
	Allinagarum	Do.	1¼	1	11 2	
	Goodaloor	Do.	2 3½	3	8 ..	
			9 3½	13	15 2	

Madura, 1st November 1856.

(Signed) R. I. Sullivan,
Acting Collector.

3385

B.P. No. 742.

Proceedings thereon.

(3415/57)

From Graduate 3d Board made in a Revenue Communication, that the annexed 24 applications dated 1857 should be allowed, when made to Local Officers should be allowed, when made to Local Officers should be allowed to allot Sheigal or Poramboke Lands as not available to allot Sheigal or Poramboke Lands as not available to the formation of a new Landed Estate Lands for the formation of a new Landed Estate or the extension of Village sites. The recommendation was based on the facts that the area in some cases was exceedingly large, and that the cultivated portion, at the time of the survey, was by no means so extensive as it has now become, and the extent of Land assigned for Village sites was therefore considerably reduced. Hence from the present scarcity of cultivation the Village sites are now found frequently to be insufficient and inconvenient, &c. &c. situated for the agricultural community, &c. &c.

Parker further suggested that Lands allotted to cultivating Ryots should be exempted from taxation, and that non-cultivating Ryots should pay assessment for the ground on which they build, but be allowed to redeem it at so many years purchase, although the rate at present is not to exceed

Transcribe

exempt Sheigal land from assessment, when houses are built upon it yet as the spread of cultivation would be facilitated by the formation of new Villages or the extention of those already existing, the Collector was instructed to report any case in which it might appear desirable to appropriate Sheigal land to such a purpose, free of assessment. The present application has been submitted in consequence. The extent of Poonjah land proposed to be allotted is 9 C 3 1/2 A bearing an assessment of Rupees 13 - 15 - 2 - The parties who wish to build on this ground have engaged to cultivate the waste lands contiguous to it, and the Board recommend that sanction may be accorded to the Acting Collector to make over the Poonjah land to the applicants rent free, or subject to the regular assessment, or a light Quit Rent as payable by new-Cultivators according as on the receipt of the further information required from the Acting Collector, the Board may determine -

Proceedings 6 Madura 11th August 1858.

No. 11

To,

I. D. Sim, Esqre
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

Sir,

As bearing upon the subject of

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Bd No. 306

From the Coll. of South Arcot

of revenues of this District, I have the honor to forward, for the information of the Board, Copy of a letter which I have this day addressed to the Chief Engineer regarding the inadequate strength of the Establishment of the District Engineer of South Arcot -

South Arcot, Collectors Cutcherry, Cuddalore, 15th Jany 1857.

(Signed) A. Hall,
Collector.

Enclosure 1.-

To,

Colonel C. E. Faber,
Chief Engineer, D. P. Works,
Fort St. George.

Sir,

I have the honor to bring to your notice that I am of opinion that the present strength of the Establishment, under the Civil Engineer of this District, is very inadequate to meet the requirements of the Province especially in regard to works of irrigation -

2 Upon referring to the List shewing the distribution of the Department of Public Works, as published in the army List corrected up to the 30th Septemberr last, I observe that the Districts of Cuddapah

Cuddapah, Bellary, Canara, Coimbatore, & Nellore- all seems better supplied with executives than this District.-

3. As regards revenue this District now stands only second, I believe, to Tanjore and the population amounts to 1,122,747 souls while its area may be taken as comprising 5,000 square miles, although it is generally considered to be much greater.-

4. The following is a Memorandum of the actual revenue realized from all sources in Fusly 1265

	Rs.
Land Revenue	24,13917
Abkarry	10490
Motorpha	4,123
Salt	270,371
Sea Customs	23,784
Sayer	68314
Stamps	27,615
Sundries	24,259
Total	2,974,399

There will, I expect, be a further net increase of about a Lac and a half of Rupees for the current Fusly

5. The reduction which has been made in the land assessment has created a very urgent demand for waste land

land which it will be impossible to satisfy, unless the present means of irrigation are improved and new projects carried out, to afford the additional supply of water which is required.-

6. The revision of the assessment was commenced in Fusly 1264, since which the waste lands which have been newly taken up for cultivation (including those of the current year) may be taken at 157,750 Cawnies of Poonjah and 53,913 Cawnies of Runjah yielding together a revenue at the modified rates of 90,038 Rupees.-

7. To carry on the duties of the Department Captain Foord has under him the following Staff the subordinates of whom are of the most part engaged in works which are not for irrigation purposes.-

Captain Paxton ——— In charge of the Southern Taluks
Mr. Wright, Executive Officer —— On general duties in the N.n Taluks
Mr. Norfor, Executive Officer — Building Pounear Bridges, &c.
Assist.t Overseer Bateman — Employed in the Southern Taluks on canal and on works of irrigation.
Sub-Assist.t Surveyor Wylie — Do. in looking after works and learning his duties.
Assist.t Overseer Kennedy — On Roads in the Northern Taluks
Assist.t Overseer Archer. —— On the Roads.
Assist.t Overseer Wilkinson ——— Ditto.

Overseer

Overseer Graham ——— On the Roads
Assist.t Overseer King ——— Ditto
Probat.y Overseer Tod ——— On the Permaul Tank.

8. That the construction and maintenance of the Roads is a matter of great importance, I freely confess, and I do not see how the services of any of the persons who are employed on them can be dispensed with, but under the peculiar circumstance of the District, it is especially incumbent upon the authorities to pay attention to the improvement and enlargement of the means of irrigation, otherwise the resources of the country cannot be properly developed or the revenues cannot be expected to continue to increase.—

9. I would particularly call attention to the Western and North Western Talooks where there is ample room for new irrigation works and where the old ones require much repair. There is however no person in them who can take in hand even the business of preparing projects and Estimates by surveying and levelling.

10. I beg to mention that in the Villapooram Talook where there is also no qualified Officer in

* Chaitput
Tirumallys
Tricollore
Cullacoorchy

in the Department of Public Works, there were 52 Tanks badly breached during the last storm — I have had estimates prepared for their repair and find that they amount in the agregate to 17,000 Rupees. The Veeravanoy Anicut and Channels in the same Talook have been under execution for upwards of two years while when the work commenced it was supposed that it would have been finished at the close of 1855/56, and I think it would have been so if there had been an active man to put it under, who could have carried it on immediately.—

11. As the subject of improving the means of irrigation in the District to meet the pressing demand of the Ryots for new land is one of the highest importance both as regards the welfare of the Country at large and the interests of Government, I feel sure you will give it your best consideration and make such arrangements as you are able to rectify the deficiency I have taken the liberty of bringing to your notice

12. Captain Tood has himself informed me that he has no hands to carry out several promising projects which have been started

started for new works of irrigation, such as the proposed anicut across the Cheyar River in Chaitput Talook, one across the Pounaur in Ellavenasore, clearing the old Mundunn Voikal and restoring the Pauny Mullay Tank, in Tricollore V. V. V.

South Arcot, Cuddalore, 15th January, 1857

(Signed) A. Hall, Collector.

(True Copy)

Signed) Hall, Collector.

(348.49)

Bd. No. 745.

Proceedings thereon.—

The Board quite concur with the Collector of South Arcot as to the importance of maintaining the Public Works Department in the District on a footing of efficiency.

2. The reduction of assessment and the completion of the survey have greatly enhanced the value of land, and the waste is being rapidly taken up. The energetic prosecution of works of irrigation and the improvement of the means of communication are therefore particularly necessary and may be expected to prove speedily remunerative.—

3. The Board resolve to forward a Copy of these proceedings to the Chief Engineer and express their hope that it may be in his power to strengthen the

the Engineers Department in the South Arcot District.—

No. 28.

To J. D. Sim, Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue,
Fort St. George.

(350)

Bd. No. 540.

From the Collr. Sea Customs, Madras.

Sir,

1. I have the honor to state that 24 Hogsheads of Rum were imported on the 31st Ultimo into Madras from Palmanair, under cover of a certificate from the Collector of North Arcot dated 5th January 1857.—

2. On the Cart was a Box containing 6 Dozens of Rum from the same distillery, and Mr. Bickins, the proprietor, applied to me to deliver it to him in support of his application—he produced the enclosed certificate. The native who came in charge of the Rum states he was met by a Peon at the confines of Madras, who took him to the Collector's Office, shewed both the certificates to some party there, they were then returned to him with orders to proceed to the Custom House.—

3. I have to solicit the order of the Board whether I am authorized to give the Rum

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Rum to Mr. Hickins free of charge-section XI Act XIX of 1852 and Section II, Act XXXII of 1845 do not appear to me to give distillers authority to receive Liquor from their Stills for their own use free of duty especially in Madras.-

4. I believe this is not the first instance of the Kind that has occurred-

5. Section VII Act XXI of 1856 shews the spirit in which Act XIX of 1852 is to be construed, Viz^t that no liquor shall pass from the still unless the payment of duty is secured.-

Madras, ...
Sea Customs House,
4th February 1857.-

(Signed) W. E. Underwood,
Collector Sea Customs.

No. 1

Passport for conveying the undermentioned Liquor from Palmanair to Poraniboor near Madras.-

Date of Passport-	Quality	Quantity	By whom consigned	To whom	Period	Remarks
1857- 5th January	Rum	Six Dozens	Distillery Rhum as Mr James Arnold Hickins, at Palmanair.	For Mr Hickins own private use.	15 Fifteen days	

North arcot . . . .
Collector's Cutcherry,
Chittoor, 5th January
1857.

(Signed) C Whittingham
Collector

Board

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Bd. No. 728.
Proceedings
350-57

The Board of Revenue observe thereon.

that under Section II Regulation XXXII of 1845 The "whole" of the spirituous liquor manufactured at a licensed distillery, such as Mr. Hickins' must be either exported by sea or sold to certain parties specified in that section.-

2. In the case under notice no fraud was intended, and the Board will allow Mr. Hickins the option of disposing of the spirits in any of the modes prescribed by Section II. Act XXXII of 1845, or of returning them to his distillery at Palmanair.-

3. A Copy of Mr. Underwoods' letter, and of the foregoing order thereon, will be furnished to the Collector of North arcot for his information and guidance.-

To
J. D. Sim, Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue,
Fort St. George.

352
Bd. No. 759
From the Collector of Chingleput . . .

Sir,

With reference to the Board's Proceedings, No. 530, dated 18th Instant, I have the honor

honor to report that the occurrences complained of by Lieutenant Georges were not reported to me by the Bungalow Sepoys at Palavoy Chuttrum. The letter to the Chief Magistrate of Madras, referred to in para 7 of Lieutenant Georges' letter, was forwarded to me, and I sent out a party of Peons and Daloyets to Lieutenant George's assistance, in consequence, who, when they arrived, found that both Lieutenant Georges and Mr. Charles had left for Madras.

Chingleput District,
Collector's Cutcherry,
Chingleput, 20th February
1857

(Signed) C. I. Shubrick,
Collector.

Bd. No. 737.

Proceedings thereon (352-53) The Board are surprized to learn that the Bungalow Servants made no report to the Collector of the occurrences brought to notice by Lieutenant Georges.

2. The Collector should warn all the Bungalow Servants in his District that it is their duty promptly to bring to his Knowledge all instances of breach of the rules or other similar misconduct on the part of Travellers. He should also inflict

inflict such fine as he deems fitting on the Servants at the Palavoy Chuttrum.

No. 27

To, I. D. Sim, Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue,
Fort St. George.

(354)
Bd. No. 824.
From the Acting Collector of Ganjam.

Sir,

I have the honor, in accordance with the request in para 10 of the Board's Proceedings, No. 44, dated 5th January 1857, to report that there is no part of this District in which European Soldiers could be advantageously located as gricultural settlers, the heat would prevent their working in the fields except in the mornings and evenings, and the rate of labor is so low that a native, content with a few vegetables and a scanty cloth, would easily undersell a man who was obliged to feed well, and, at all events, cover his body.

2. Openings might be found for one or two steady men at Chitterpoor with a taste for gardening who might strive a good trade by supplying ships with vegitables, Pigs, Fowls, &c.; but I know of no part of the District where

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&c &c &c the experiment could be tried on a large scale and where the advantages of religious instruction and medical aid would also be available.-

3. The climate to the North is good, and an Officer, with a little capital, might, I feel sure, do very well were he to take up land and cultivate Sugar cane, arrow root, &c., best in the parts of the District most suited to this cultivation, viz between Aska and the sea he would be too far removed from all European society to make it a desirable residence and I cannot therefore recommend a trial though I feel sure the District would derive from the advent of European energy and skill and the introduction of the many mechanical helps to labour that would follow, very many and great advantages fully repaying the small loss that would accrue, from giving the land on long low leases.-

Ganjam District,
Collector's Circuit Office,
Ruggoonadpoor,
23d February 1857.

(Signed) W. Knox,
Asst Collector.

354-55 Order thereon.-

Ordered to lie over.

To

Fort St George, 10th March 1857.

No 15.

To, J. D. Sim, Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue,
Fort St George.

After Bd No 778.
From the Collector of Cuddapah, Para 1

Sir,

356 On the 11th Instant, I had the honor to address you intimating that sine descriptions of articles were required for the Printing Office and requesting you will be so good as have them supplied.-

2. From a report received from the Deputy Post Master of Cuddapah, I find that a Baughy mail was robbed near Rajempett in this District on the night of the 18th Instant, and from the Baughy advice produced by him, it appears that a parcel to the address of the Collector of Cuddapah of about 100 and odd Rupees weight formed part of the Contents of the lost Baughy: I therefore deem it proper to intimate the same to you in case the printing Ink or any other article required should have been forwarded by it, and request that a similar supply may be sent, as those stolen may be considered as lost.-

Cuddapah,
Collectors Office,
February 1857.

(signed) M. Murray,
Collector.

received

3400

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Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.—

To

The Collector of

Cuddapah.

Sir,

(356-57)

Bd No 750.
To the Collector of Cuddapah.

With reference to para 2 of Board's Proceedings, dated 4th March 1857. No 67

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you, that they have, this day, despatched to your address, by Baughy a Parcel containing 6 lbs of Black Printing Ink—the cost, including the tin Canister, is Rupees 15-9-0, which sum I request you will remit to this Office as soon as convenient.—

Revenue Board Office
Fort St George,
10th March 1857.

Signed J. D. Sim,
Acting Secretary

To,

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No 11.

To,

J. D. Sim, Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.
Fort St George.

(358)

After Bd No 812.
From the Collector of Cuddapah.

Sir,

With reference to my letter to you of the 23d instant, I have the honor to inform you, that the books as per margin, which were supposed to have been lost by the Robbery of the Baughy, have been recovered.

The total weight of the Baughy is stated in the Baughy advice to be Rupees 171, but on its reaching the Post Office it was again weighed, and found to be only Rupees 100, making a difference of Rupees 71.—

2. I request you will be so good as inform me what books or articles are not forthcoming.

1. Copy of Appendix to the Report of the Commissioner on salt in British India—
1. Do Report on Do by G. Plowden Esqre Commissioner—
1. Book of Map and Plans referred to by G. Plowden Esqre—
2. Ditto of Report of Foujdaree Adalut on Criminal Justice—
2 Ditto of Do of Sudr Adalut on the administration of Civil Justice—
1. Ditto Minutes of Governor General of India—

Signed M. Murray
Collector.—

Cuddapah Collectors Office, 25th February 1857.

Bd No 736.
Proceedings thereon:
(358-59)

The Board observe that the entire contents of the parcel despatched from this Office have been received—The difference in weight must have been caused by the packing materials—The Collector's letter of 11th February 1857. has been separately replied to.

Received—

3402 Fort St George, 10th March 1857.

Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous letters and Statements.—

360 Ms No 563. From the Collector of Vizagapatam— Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of Revenue for February 1857.

361 Ms No 539. From the Acting Collector of Masulipatam— Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of Revenue for February 1857.

362 Ms No 568. From the Collector of Chingleput. Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of Revenue for February 1857.

363 Ms No 565. From the Ag Collector of Masulipatam. Rain Report for January 1857.

364 Ms No 571. From the Collector of North Arcot— Informing that the Rain Report for February last is blank.—

365 Ms No 569. From the Collector of Bellary— Informs that no persons have been either charged with offences, or confined under Regulation IX of 1822.—

366 Ms No 570. From the Collector of Bellary— Report of Petitions for February 1857.

367 From the Ag Coll^r of Madura— Statement shewing the quantity of Salt in store available for exportation to Ceylon on the 15th February 1857.

368 Ms No 567. From the Ag Coll^r of Madura— Statement shewing the quantity of Salt in store available for exportation to Ceylon on the 28th February 1857.

369 Ms No 560. From the Ag Coll^r of Madura— Statement of Receipts, and Disbursements in the Sea Custom Department at Ramnad in February 1857.

370 Ms No 561. From the Ag Coll^r of Madura— Reports that the two Statements Returns for February 1857 are blank.—

371 Ms No 562. From the Collector of Tinnevelly— Season report for February 1857.—

372 Ms No 564. From the Collector of Sea Customs— Comparative Statement of the Collections of ordinary Revenue in Fasles 1265 and 1266.—

Pro

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue,
Wednesday the 11th March 1857.—
Read the following Papers.

373. Bd No 712— From the Acting Secretary to Government.— Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department, under date the 20th February 1857.— Communicating with the remarks of Government thereon, the correspondence from the Railway Department on the subject of the Settah proposed to be constructed in the vicinity of the Vellore Station, and requesting the Board to issue orders for the formation of the Settah with particular reference to the instructions contained in the orders of Government of 28th Septr: 1852 and 14th August 1850.— See No 187 in Separate Volume. P. 217

Order.

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Bd. No. 745

Order thereon -

(373.74)

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of North Arcot for his information and guidance -

2 The Minutes of Consultation referred to by Government, were communicated to the Collector of North Arcot on the dates

12 Nov. 55.
23 Aug. 56.

noted in the Margin -

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No. 229.

To,

J. D. Sim, Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue,
Fort St. George -

(375)

Bd. No. 30 -

From the Acting Collector of Ganjam -

Reporting upon the Bungalows in the district and forwarding plan & Estimates for at Berhampoor & Nursannapettah -

Sir.

I have the honor, as directed in Extract Minutes Consultation, dated 6th September last, to submit an Estimate for a Bungalow at Chicacole - The want of one is very much felt particularly now as every house in the Fort is I believe occupied - The number of travellers properly so called passing through is much greater than in any other part of the district - Merchants from Bimlipatam and Vizagapatam are constantly passing through to Calingapatam and vice versa as ships come up for cargo part to be loaded at one port, part at another - It frequently happens too that Masters of Vessels, or others who come up on business with the authorities, are put to great inconvenience for want of some place of shelter - I estimate the number of persons passing through at 125 annually, having for my data the returns from the old

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old bungalows on the line.

	1855	1856	1857
Itchapoor	144	57	80
Cunchely	137	39	75
Haripoor	137	72	136
Causeabogah	123	59	66
Punta Peckelly	67	60	43
Gopaulpoor	55	60	60
Poondy	30	17	27
Ingelly	81	77	43

2. In the margin is shown the number of passengers using the various bungalows in the district. I am not satisfied that this is the full number, for parties often to my own knowledge neglect to enter their names and others pass through while the books are being sent up for inspection, besides it has not been till lately the custom to keep the Bungalows; the practice was introduced by me, the returns therefore are not quite correct, but may I think be taken as a fair estimate of the number who are entitled to accommodation, this number will, I doubt not, increase yearly as the facilities of communication and the trade of the district increase.

3. Since my letter referred to was written it has been decided to take the line more inland and the Cunchelly Bungalows will become useless but with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation dated 15th October 1856, & No. 1870, I would propose that it be kept up till the new road is finished, none of

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of these Bungalows can I fear be turned to any public purpose, and they will sell for little or nothing.

4. Major Birdwood has also prepared Estimates for Bungalows at Nursunnapettah, Berhampoor, and Aska, which I beg leave to forward.

5. Nursunnapetta is a place of much traffic and a Bungalow would be probably a great convenience, not to travellers properly so called only but also to European Merchants living at a distance who wished to meet and arrange matters on the Spot with the large Native Merchants there from whom the staple articles are brought, and as I look to trade to support the growing prosperity of this district, I would give Merchants every assistance.

6. The want of a Bungalow has been much felt at Berhampoor every house was occupied when I last passed through, and had a traveller come in there would have been no house for him to put up in. This want has frequently been brought to my notice by the residents when the Trunk Road is open the number

number of travellers will doubtless increase very much, for many will prefer the more certain journey by land to the discomforts of a sea voyage against the Monsoon. —

7. The number of travellers passing through Aska is not very large nor is it likely to increase, and I was at first inclined to propose that only a second class Bungalow be built there, but as it is a long run to Rajselondah, and parties frequently and in the rains always divide it into two runs, I beg to support Major Birdwood's proposition to build a first class one, the number of passengers at Itchapoor is no criterion, as it shows merely those who march, not those who drive along the road.

8. With respect to the other Bungalows I think second class ones will be sufficient at all the intermediate stations between Chicacole and Berhampoor, except at the centre station which should be a 1st class one for the benefit of travellers running down. —

Ganjam District
Collector's Circuit Office,
Purlakemedy
22nd December 1856. —

(Signed) W. Lindsay,
Acting Collector.

Bd. No. 748.
Proceedings thereon. —
(375-76)

Berhampore
Chicacole
Aska
Narsunapetta.

In the foregoing letter the Acting Collector furnishes detailed information upon the necessity that exists for the erection of Traveller's bungalows at the four places indicated marginally, and encloses plan and estimates prepared by Major Birdwood, Civil Engineer of the 9th division. —

2. He also, in further reply to the second of the orders of Government above quoted, gives a statement of the number of travellers who made use of the several bungalows in the district during 1852. and the two following years.

3. The Board concur in the views expressed by the Acting Collector on the subject of these bungalows, and resolve to forward his letter with enclosures to the Chief Engineer with their recommendations that the sanction of Government be solicited for the early carrying out of the measures proposed. —

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No. 10.

To,

J. D. Sim, Esqr.

Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

(377)

Bd. No. 591.

Sir,

From the Collector of Cuddapah. Returning Petition No. 372 of 1856 from Bundy Veeroo-mulrow with a report thereon.

Para 1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Petition presented to the Board by Bundy Veeroomulrow late Tahsildar of Chennoor, bearing the Endorsement "Referred to the Collector for report as to the allegation from Petitioner that he has been removed from his post of Deputy Tahsildar, and in reply beg to state, that the Petitioner was removed from higher to a lower grade with the sanction of the Board of Revenue, Viz. from the Tahsildar of Chennoor to the Deputy Tahsildar of Bolivendalah and that Petitioner has never joined his situation, performed the duties or drawn the allowance, that he has been absent

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absent from the district for a long time without asking leave or permission. —

2. Prior to the Talook of Poolevendalah being devided into two, the Petitioner having contumaciously refused either to join the appointment of Deputy Tahsildar or to perform the duty of his Office, was in my opinion most properly passed over, and the appointment abolished when the above arrangement took place. —

3. Instead of the Head Sheristadar making him any malicious, as stated by Petitioner, I would here add, that the Sheristadar came in the District a perfect stranger and he has been annoyed and presented by the relatives of the Petitioner first by anonymous petitions which was traced to the originators of them. The appointments, which Petitioner Complains of, were mine and not the Head Sheristadars.

Petitioner

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4. Petitioner Complains that the appointments have been filled up by the Head Sheristadar's relatives and friends, which is erroneous one of them is a Pillay from Madras and the other a Brahmin of a different Sect from Conjeevaram. —

5 On receipt of the Board's instructions regarding Petitioner's removal, an Endorsement was given to him within a week after its receipt. I would only further add, that upon a petition received from the Board in which Petitioner brought serious charges of bribery against the Head Sheristadar, I called upon him to substantiate any one of them but he, in the most insolent and impertinent manner refused to give a deposition on the subject. These allegations against

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against the Head Sheristadar have been re echoed by the son of the Petitioner and believed to be got up by Boojungarow, late Head Sheristadar of Canara, a near relative of petitioner, and the cause is, that the present Head Sheristadar holds the appointment which he, Boojungarow, wished to obtain and intrigued for, when the late Head Sheristadar of Palpah Row was removed from this District to Guntoor, this I believe to be the cause of all the complaints against the present Head Sheristadar and from the information I have received there are constant meetings between him and his friends, whose names I don't think it necessary to mention in the present communication, to consult how and by what means.

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means they can injure the Head Ristadar whose character and integrity is well known to the Board.

Cuddapah District, Collector's Office on Circuit at Doovoor, 6th February 1857.

Signed J. M. Murray. Collector.

B/4 No. 780.

Order thereon.

(377.78)

Ordered that the following Endorsement be passed upon petitioner's 3729/1856 "From a perusal of the Report received from the Collector the Board find that Petitioner contumacially refused to join his appointment as Deputy Tahsildar and has absented himself for a long time without leave.—

"It moreover appears that Petitioner's appointment was abolished when the new arrangements connected with the sub division of the Poolivendala taluk came into effect. Under these circumstances the Board see no ground for interfering in his behalf."

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To J. D. Sim Esqr.
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

(379)

B/4 No. 630

From the Collector of North Arcot

Submits for the orders of the Bd a Statement of the tenders received for the Ab Karry Farms of this District of North Arcot from July 20th

Sir I have the honor to submit for the orders of the Board the tenders specified in the accompanying Statement for the Ab Karry Farms of this District.—

2 Among the tenders is one from Mr. H. Morison the son of Mr. Norman Morison whose offer of 74000 Pagodas annually for 5 years was accepted with the sanction of the Board conveyed in their Proceedings of the 18th December 1851.—

3 On the death of Mr. Norman Morison in June 1855, the unexpired portion of the lease of the Ab Karry farms was continued to Messrs. H. Morison and J. Corbett.—

Bd Pro: 20th July 1855

4 On the 24th November 1855, I brought to the notice of the Board that the Ab Karry balance against Messrs. Morison and

and Corbett amounted, principal and interest, to Sp. 37,376-6-6, but recommended with reference to the difficulties with which Mr. H Morison had had to contend after the death of his father, that he might be allowed to discharge the arrears by monthly payment of 1500 Rupees. With this proposal, the Board signified their acquiescence on condition that sufficient guarantee was given for the fulfilment of that engagement.—

In reply to my letters of the 5th December 1855, and 25th January 1856, requesting Mr. Morison to state what guarantee he proposed to offer for discharging the ab Karry arrears, Messrs. Corbett and Morison stated on the 4th February 1856 that their partner Seetaram Moodelly of Vellore was prepared to give security for the balance of arrears on my including his name in the puttah given to them. In the same letter Messrs. Corbett and Morison requested that I would hold four thousand Rupees of the Government four per Cent paper in my possession at

the disposal of their said partner, when no longer required. In reply I stated that on Seetaramma Moodelliar naming his sureties, and my being satisfied of their competency, I would submit their proposal for the orders of the Board.—

11th February 56

Having learnt from the Tahsildar of Sátghur that Messrs. Corbett and Morrison had informed him that they had transferred the ab Karry Contract for the District to three persons, named in the margin and had requested the Tahsildar to render them every assistance in Collecting Rists from the Subrenters. I addressed Messrs. Corbett and Morrison on the subject enquiring whether they had made such a transfer and pointing out that such a step would not relieve them from responsibility for the rent. I also brought to their notice that I had received an [illegible] from the above mentioned persons stating

Shashagiry Row
Syasauny Moodelly
Bronechowry Aiden

8th May 56

stating that those parties had themselves paid the balance due by Messrs. Corbett and Morison.—

7 On the 28th June Messrs. Corbett and Morison intimated to me their wish of being disconnected with the Ab Karry, and of having the names of a, Shashagery Row and Godoo Innoneesawmy Naik (the parties mentioned in the perscious para) substituted as farmers of the Ab Karry—Of this letter a copy is annexed

1st July 1856 In reply I stated that the parties to whom they proposed to transfer the Lease would be required not only to give Sufficient Security for the payment of their Rists as they fall due but for the discharge of the instalement of 1500 Rupees per month on account of arrears and also for the liquidation of the interest on arrears of Rist amounting to 2007-0-8 up to the 12th June and I added that when the parties in question had

had satisfied these requisitions, the subject would be submitted to the Board for their consideration and orders.

8 On the 11th September 1856, I again addressed Mr. Morison bringing to his Notice that he had not yet, in Conformity with the request contained in my letters of the 5th December 1855 and 25th January 1856 given the guarantee required by the Board for discharging the Ab Karry arrears.—

On the 15th of the same month Mr. Morison named Paupasamoodrum Purrundarddy as his Security on account of the arrears of Ab Karry revenue; and the Tahsildar of Chittoor having ascertained his Competency, a security bond was taken from Paupasamoodrum Purrundareddy.—

9 I have considered it proper to bring the above circumstances to the notice of the Board with reference to Messrs. Corbett and Morison's application for a renewal of the lease, as they appear to shew that they had some difficulty in meeting their engagement.

Their

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Their letter to the address of the Board is herewith Submitted.

10 The practice regarding the mode of renting the Abkarry in this District has not, in later years been in conformity with the orders of Government in Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 12th August 1847 which direct the Continuance of the existing practice of putting up the privilege of Rent to public competition at auction. —

C. O. B. 2d Sept. 47

The usual period of putting up the Abkarry farm is the month of May. Meanwhile I have adopted the course laid down in Circular order Board of Revenue 4th April 1825, and have submitted a Statement shewing the highest offers I have obtained, in sufficient time to enable the Board to give final instructions before the close of the Current Fasly. —

11 I have not yet made any strict enquiry into the character and competency of these parties, because I am not aware whether it is the wish of the Board that the lease should be put

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put up to public competition. Several of these parties have addressed the Board on the subject

× Herewith returned Nos. 3678 & 3696 of 1856 & 38 & 179 of 1857

by petitions referred to me for enquiry. —

12 Messrs. Morison and Corbett, have in their letter to the Board now forwarded adverted to the evils produced in the Chingleput and South Arcot Districts by competition urging parties to bid for the Abkarry Farms beyond its real value, and I have reason to believe that the evil was experienced lately in [illegible] in its full force, and was only averted in South Arcot by fortuitous circumstances. —

Altho the orders of Government dated 27th November 1855 prohibit the adjournment of a public Sale of the Abkarry Farms, they do not appear to render it imperative that the lease should be so disposed of and I beg to solicit the instructions of the Board on this point.

13 Should the Board decide that the Abkarry Farms must be put up to public competition the instructions contained in their Circular order of the 24th December 1855 will be at once attended to. —

North Arcot Collector's Cutcherry
Trivattoor 11th February 1857

/Signed/ C. Whittinghame
Collector

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No. 7

Statement of offers received for the Shikarry rent from Fusly 1267.

Names of the Proposers	Place of residence	Amount of Rent offered per annum	Period for which the rent is offered From	To	For how many years	Amount for the Total Period	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
			Fusly	Fusly			
Abbay Chetty	Conjeeveram	132000 " "	1267	1271	5	660000	The proposer states that in the event of the rent being sold at Public auction he requests to be communicated with, thro' the Collector of Chingleput - reported to have died subsequently. -
Assiah Naidoo	Arcotam (Present incumbent)	124000 / 20000 " "	1267	1271	5	20000	In his proposal he stated 140000 as the present rent instead of 124000
Canacoram Sah Sah	Vellore	125000 " "	1267	1271	5	625000 " "	In his proposal he stipulates for a condition that he should be allowed to Collect the arrears occurred in former years as here represented by him
	Vellore (Present incumbent)	104000 " "	1267	1273	7	75000 " "	
	Increase	20000 " "				20000 " "	He proposes says that the alleged Statement of Mr. Morrison - that he suffered loss is not correct and that he on the contrary enjoyed a profit of 35000 Rupees per Annum. -
		124000 " "	1267	1273	7	868000 " "	
Mootoomanicah Chetty / Arcotachella Moodelly	Vellore	130000 " "	1267	1271	5	650000	These persons state that in the event of any one coming forward and bidding higher they will also bid higher than twice present offer. -
1 Narasimma Chetty / 2 Arney Veeraroya Moodelly	Sholinghur / Arney	135000 " "	1267	1271	5	740000	
1 Veerasawmy Moodelly / 2 Suganadah Reddy	Mongars of Wooryoor and Poolor respectively attached to Sholinghur Talook. -	125000 " "	1267	1271	5	675000	
		Board	Petition				
Solasan Rum / Ramasawmy / Nan Rum	Coroongoody in Chingleput District	135000 " "	1267	1271	5	675000	They state that they will deposit Company's Paper for 2 Lakhs
						675000	He states that he will deposit the money required and requests to be communicated with thro' the Collector of Chingleput District in the event of the rent being sold at public auction.

North Arcot Collector's Current Shikarry Irrumattoor. 11th February 1857

Signed J. C. Willingham
Collector

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Enclosure No. 3.

To

C. Whittingham, Esqre

Collector of

North Arcot.

Sir,

In reference to the arrangement made some time ago of paying Rupees 1,500 per month on account of the Abkiary arrears of the past fasly, we beg to state, that A. Sachagherry Row and Gobee Moony (Saunny) Naik both of Arcot, desire to have their name registered in the Mootchil-ka when they will become responsible for the arrears of the past fasly and as they further offer P. Parumal Reddy as a surety for the Monthly payment of the Rupees 1500. We beg you will ascertain the Competency of the surety named & as the abkiary arrears, we beg if practicable, you will register the above named parties sureties and free us from future responsibility

Ours.

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No 3

Memorandum of the Abkiary Arrears of

Mootchilka

Gobee Moony Saunny

Average of the above years . . 18330 " "

Sixth of 18 years . . 2133 24 10 4

Average of 18 fasly . . 1851 5 21

North Arcot Collection Parumal Reddy Security

Fort St. George, 11th March 1857.

Our letter bearing the same date as this, conveys our request regarding the transfer of the Government securities now held by you.

Madras
28th June 1856.

I Signed / C. I. Corbett,
I Signed / H. Morison,
I True Copy /
I Signed / C. Whittinghame,
Collector

Enclosures No. 4

To,
C. Whittinghame, Esqre.
Collector of
North Arcot.

Sir,

We have the honor to enclose herein an application to the Board of Revenue touching a renewal of the Abkary Contract, which we beg you will be so good enough to forward with such recommendation as you may be pleased to make on bringing the enclosed application to your notice and soliciting your support towards it, we beg to direct attention to the following points which form

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the basis of our application.

Firstly. At present lease was taken when Arcot was garrisoned with Regiments and scarcely three months of the lease elapsed when the Regiments were removed. Arcot becoming much depopulated a great fall taking off in the consumption of spirits took place, which effect is experienced up to the present time.

Secondly. Grain having been sold for a series of years at famine prices when on the one hand we have been quite unable to collect the large outstandings due to us, we have been obliged to meet ours liabilities from other sources and have always acted in good faith. Seeing at present no possibility of making our collections as the people of the District have scarcely recovered from the effects of seasons amounting to a famine, we are constrained to bring our case prominently before

you

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you, and beg that it may be favorably represented to the Board for their consideration. Towards the closes of the lease payments from our subrenters will fall off and that, coupled with the amount of reverses already sustained, will place us in extreme difficulty. We have therefore to beg urgently your support of our applications. In conclusion we beg to say, we possess advantages for carrying out such a contract in a greater measure than natives, and Messrs. Parrijan & Co. of Madras, in consideration of the large business carried down with them formerly, are always ready to furnish us with Government Papers as security.

Madras
25th November 1856.

/ Signed / R. L. Corbett,
/ Signed / G. Morrison,
True Copy /
/ Signed / C. Whittinghame,
Collector

Enclosure No. 5.

To The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.

Sir,

The lease of the Abkarry of North Arcot

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Arcot now held by us expires in July next, six months hence, and previous to such expiration, we have the honor to submit the following remarks touching a renewal of the contract which we beg may be placed before the Board for their favorable consideration.

It is well known that up to the period at which Mr. Norman Morison came forward, and applied for the contract it had always been in the hands of natives, almost always been in the hands of natives, who unable singly to undertake the rent, had applied for the contract with eight or ten other natives, and so soon as any dispute arose among st these, as frequently was the case, the rent was allowed to fall into arrears. The amount of annoyance inflicted on the Collector in such cases can well be imagined.

In some instances loss of money has resulted to Government from unknown parties, who were barely able to make a deposit taken

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taken the Contract and who paid often a
higher rent than they knew the business to be
worth, with a view of obtaining remissions
when once in possession of the Contract.

In 1850/51 Mr. Bowdillon, the Collector
then of North Arcot, aware of the risk and
troubles he was constantly subjected to, forward-
ed the application of Mr. Morison who became
the purchaser of the Contract at auction for
136,000 Rupees, a sum which far exceeded its
intrinsic value. The overwhelming losses
arising on the three several years of that
lease in consequence of the high price paid
in competition and of the Cavalry Corps leav-
ing removed almost immediately after, in-
duced the Board, at the expiration of the
Contract, to give at once more to Mr. A. Morison
on a lease of 5 years to enable him to retrieve
his losses. How that utterly failed in its object
in consequence of the three years of unprece-
dented scarcity which followed, is so well un-
derstood that the large remissions the

Government

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Government have been obliged to make to
the Ryots, is the best criterion by which to
judge of the consumption of spirits amongst
the poor.

Having been obliged to allow long cre-
dit and grant large remissions to subrenters
during these years of scarcity, are facts which
go to explain the cause of the Contract fall-
ing into arrears. At the decease of Mr.
Morison the sanction of the Board, at the
recommendations of the Collector, had enab-
led us to make arrangements for the liqui-
dation of a heavy balance by instalments.
The security in the hands of the Collector
as guarantee for the fulfilment of our
engagement, we may say far exceeds our
liabilities at present.

It may not be amiss here to mention
the policy pursued by natives, who at auctions
offer larger amounts for Abkarry than they
can except to realize honorably and the only
way that these exigencies are met is by
introducing

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introducing a shameful credit system among the poorest Ryots, which must be remarked are the people wholly from whom the ab-
:stract revenues is drawn, and from whom the proceeds of these forced sales are collect-
:ed with very little compunction. At a season when grain has been selling at famine prices it will occur to the Board, we could not rigidly collect the large outstandings & dues without doing a serious injury to the poor, on the contrary we have been obliged to be very considerate.

When the prices of grain begins to fall, as at present, should Subrenters become aware that the contract, instead of being renewed to us will be put up to auction their payments will be withheld, and the amount of embarrassment to us will be so great that we need entertain the most serious fear relative to our ability to meet our liabilities and our engagements with the Collector. Unless the Board of Revenue are pleased to allow us a renewal of the lease

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for either 5 or 7 years, we shall have cause to ap-
:prehend much difficulty in carrying out the
Contract.

In making this application for a renewal of the lease we are aware of the orders rela-
:tive to the Sale of Abkarry rents by auction, and which order we presume is intended more to afford protection to the interests of Government in obtaining full values of rents, than that Competition should, in all cases, be introduced in a business so much dependent on the sea-
:sons and other uncontrollable causes. It would be almost superfluous citing instances where the Abkarry of Chingleput, South Arcot, and other districts, when put up to auction exceeded, by one-
:fifth, the usual value and how the farms
:had to be soon after attached.

We are willing at present to renew the con-
:tract on the same terms as the existing one, but leave the matter entirely with the Board of Revenue before whom we respectfully lay our case as a special application. The importance of an early decision is so necessary to our arrange-
:ments for the future, that we beg the Board will

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will excuse our application coming before them before the termination of the present contract.

The extensive business lately carried on by us in North Arcot have made us well acquainted with the Country, and the advantages we possess of carrying out a larger contract, it is not too much to assert, are some thing more than that possessed by natives.

In addition to the above, the grounds of our present application are based on the reasons we have met with owing to unfavorable and other causes, which in a measure, embodied to lay our case respectfully before the Board of Revenue

Madras
25th November 1850 -
B. No. 743.
Proceedings thereon.

Signed by A. S. Corbett,
Signed J. H. Morison.

(3780)

The Board observe, with reference to Para 12 above, that it is not imperative that the Abkarry Farms shall be put up to public competition.

2. Mr. Whittingham will submit without delay a specific opinion as to the arrangements to be made, which it is observed has been altogether omitted in the letter under notice

To

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No. 47

To,
J. D. Sim Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George

(381)
B. No. 640
From the Collector of Chingleput.

Sir

I Adverting to Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue No. 280 of the 28th Ultimo, I have the honor to report for their information that the lands applied for by the Petitioners have lain waste for nearly 33 Years, or ever since the Ryotwary field Assessment was introduced into their Village. It is not known in what manner and by whom they had been previously cultivated

2 Petitioners having about the end of Fusly 1258, applied for 22. 7½ Cawnies of land the Ameraffedars were consulted on the subject, and they declared that they required 16½ - - Cawnies for pasture there being no other pasture lands in the Village and that they would

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would cultivate the remaining Cawnies 7-
as
15 1/2 themselves on the terms agreed to by the
Petitioners. Their offer was accepted, and
a Cowlenamah given them, but for want
of water in the Tank, and other alleged
causes, such as Murrain and Cholera, they
omitted to act upto it in Fusleies 1259 and
1260. Petitioners consequently again made
a fresh application for the land which
the Merasidars agreed to make over to
them provided they would pay them their
usual fees as Proprietors of the soil, which the
Petitioners declined. The Rajeenamah filed
by the Meerasidars does not permit of the lands
being taken from them till the question of the
fees is finally settled and an agreement for
their payment duly executed. —

3 The fees demanded by the Merasidars
consist of the "Toondoo" the "Coopattum" and the "Item"

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The first Item is due to the Proprietor of
the soil by the cultivator for the use of
his lands, and is universally paid to
him at so many Rupees or fractions
of a Rupee per Cawney according to the
established usage in the Village. The 2d
Item is the grain which every cultivator
whether Poyakarry or Merasidar deposits
with the Head of the Village or other Perjons
selected by Common consent for the expences
attendant on the celebration of the festival
to the Tutelar Goddess & charities of
various Kinds. The 3d Item is paid
as fees to the Village Officers and other
servants who do not enjoy any Inamems
direct from Government and it is the
peremptory refusal on the part of the Petitioners
to pay these several Kinds of fees that has
precluded them from being
placed in possession of the
lands

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lands they applied for.—

Chunglepul District
Collrs Circuit Cutcherry
Cavaiutundlum,
12th February 1857.

/Signed/ C. J. Shubrick
Collector

Bs. No. 773
Proceedings thereon.—
Bs. No. 1967 of 1856

(381-82)

Before passing final Orders in this case the Board request to be furnished with Copies of the Cowle given to the Merasidars and of the Condetional Rayenamah tendered by them

2.— The Collector will also state in what manner the land was entered at the settlement of the year 1259 and subsequent Fusleis in whose possession it now is and how much the Merasidars have paid for it in each Fusly.—

3.— He will also state what is the proper assessment on the portion taken up for pasture and how much the Merasidars pay

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No. 14

To J. D. Sim Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George

Sir,

(383)
Bs. No. 688
From the Collr of Bellary

I The Board are aware that the Abkary farm of 7 Talooks for which the offers exceeded the average amount of the previous ten years Revenue were sold in last year for a period of 5 years.—

2.— The offers for the remaining 10 on Talooks not having come up to the average of 10 years. were in accordance with orders of the Board sold for a single year only.—

3.— The season of the last year having been more favorable there is reason to anticipate that the Offers for some of those ten Talooks will come up to the standard average Beriz of the previous 10 years.—

4.— I purpose therefore with

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with the Board's sanction, to put up for public competition on the 2d April the sale of the farms of the said 10 Talooks for 4 or 5 Years and accordingly enclose a notice for publication in the Official Gazette

5.— The sum of Rupees 233831 is the average of the 10 years Beriz of the ten Talooks from fasly 1255 to 1264 as entered in the account submitted to the Board with my letter of the 9th February 1856 and the average Beriz of the last 10 years from fasly 1256 to 1265 is Rupees 22,6167.—

6 The rent for the last year Viz.e fasly 1266 for the 10 Talooks is Rupees 190650 this amount is below the 2d named average by Rupees 35,517— or Rupees 15- 12 per cent.—

7.— I have mentioned 4 or 5 Years as because should the renters have no objection to the shorter lease of 4 Years I would suggest that be adopted

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adopted for these Talooks as the lease would then expire at the same time as the lease of the other seven Talooks leased last Years for 5 Years.—

I have the honor to request the orders of the Board at an early date.—

Bellary Collrs Office
On Circuit at,
Anantapoor
14th February 1857

I signed C. Pelly
Collector

Encl 1.

Notice

The Abkary Farms of the undermentioned Ten Talooks of the Bellary District will be put up to public Auction on the usual terms for a period of four or five Years & sold to the highest bidder, provided offers, not less than the average rent of the last 10 Years as shewn in Column 5 of the following schedule are made for them. Otherwise they will be sold for a period of one year.—

The public sale will be held at Koilpatti on the 2d April 1857 at 11 O.C in the forenoon

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Statement shewing the average Bariz of last 10 years & the amount of the highest and lowest years abKary Revenue of Ten Talooks of the Bellary District the forms of which were sold in last year for a single year.—

Talooks	Average Bariz of 10 years from fusly 1255 to 1264	Average Highest Fusly	Bariz of last 10 years from 1256 to 1265				Bariz of fusly 1266
			Years Revenue Amount	Fusly	Lowest years revenue Amount	Average of 10 years Bariz	
1	2		3		4	5	6
1 Bellary	20155	58	22,500	65	11638	19019	18,000
2 Kumply	21983	59	23,940	64	19326	21702	15,300
3 Poodlighee	20406	59	21,840	56	18,810	20670	16,300
4 Adoni	51521	56	60,000	65	32151	48395	38060
5 Punchapaullum	28886	58	34000	66	21531	28264	24,500
6 Gooty	27549	58	30209	65	19615	26776	22,500
7 Yadakey	12121	56	13210	65	9165	11625	10,800
8 Pandroogy	17118	60	19700	65	12,608	16778	15,900
9 Anantapoor	15155	58	18450	65	9700	14586	12,800
10 Dharmavaram	18937	60	21400	65	12608	18352	16,500
Total	233831		265249		167152	226167	190,650

Bellary Collectors Office on Circuit at Anantapoor 11th February 1857 (Signed) C. Pelly Collector

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Dis. No. 714

Order thereon.—

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Ordered that the Notification received with the foregoing letter with the addition of the words "as shewn in Column 5 of the following schedule" after the words "the average rent of the last 10 years" be forwarded to the Superintendent of the Fort Saint George Gazette for insertion in the next and two following issues of the Gazette.—

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Dis. No. 675

From the Actg. Supg. Engineer in charge of the S. W.

Forwards copy of letter from the District Engineer of Trichinopoly replying to Mr. Bird's report on the Penairy Channel and requests the same be transmitted to the Collector for explanation.—

No. 10314

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

Read the following

No. 692

To

The Chief Engineer

Sir,

Department Public Works

With reference to Government's resolution on the subject of the Penary Channel irrigation as brought to notice in Mr. Bird's letter No. 216 dated 9th December and on the Revenue Board's Proceedings dated 22d December, I have the honor to

Offer

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Offer the following as a reply to such parts of Mr. Bird's letter as particularly reflect on the Engineer Department in this District

2.— In para 3, the Collector "confidently asserts" "on the authority of the Tahseldars reports" "that not one drop of Coleroon water had "entered the head and was not likely to do so "for a long period."—

3 On the 15th November Coleroon water was turned down the Channel and in spite of the Silt deposited in the Channel by the floods in the Murthayar it would have been practicable without much difficulty to have maintained the supply throughout the season, seeing however that the lands to be irrigated were totally unprepared being covered with scrubby Jungle. Mr. Horgan exercised a proper discretion in not incurring the expense

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expense of Coroomboos not the delay to the other works which would have been caused by keeping the channel full of water. He therefore closed the head at Vapposr drained the channel dry and proceeded to Complete the Channel.—

4.— In para 4. Mr Bird again refers to this "Very remote" prospect of water being supplied to the channel. Having had the advantage of frequent personal inspections of the works some at a very recent period, can state that at this moment / the Coleroon being very low / we could turn water down the Channel were we so disposed.—

5 I regret that I am placed in this position of making assertion and counter assertion but the Collector by assuming a Tahsildars reports to be better authority than the reports of the Engineer Officer in charge of the very work reported on and by

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by setting my reports on one side al-
together has placed One in this posation.—

6.— I from an intimate acquaintance
with all the lands to be irrigated, and
already taken up as durghast can assure
you that had the Channel been completed
in October last and a full constant
supply of water been turned down not 400 Cawnies of land would have been
irrigated because not a stick of Jungle
had then been removed, nor the slightest
intention of clearing and preparing the
lands evidenced Moreover unless the
Durghaustdars show more activity than
they do at present, there is very little prospect
of the lands being better prepared in
July, or August next when the irrigation
season

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season will commence, and when the Channel will be in complete through operation.

Condroy dittum
3d February 1857

/Signed/ J. G. Rynes
District Engr. Trichinopoly

Resolved to forward to the Board of Revenue, Copy of the foregoing letter No. 692 dated 3d February 1857 from the District Engineer of Trichinopoly, replying to such parts of Mr. Bird's report on the Tonairy Channel & irrigation as particularly reflect on the Engineer Department and to request that the same be transmitted to the Collector of Trichinopoly for explanation.

Central Office P. W.
Fort Saint George
17th February 1857

/True Extract/
/Signed/ C. C. Johnston Captain
Aft. Supty. Engr. in Charge of the Central Office P. W.

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No. 10751

To,

The President and Members of the Board of Revenue,

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B.d. No. 878.

From the Chief Engineer.

Forwarding for any observations the Collector may have to offer, certain Papers from the Chief Engineer on the subject of the Cultivation of the Lands under the Tonairy Channel. No. 193 Dated 25th Feb. 1857

Gentlemen,

With reference to Extract Minute in Consultation of the 19th January last, I now do myself the honor to forward /in original to be obligingly returned/ a letter from the Superintending Engineer, Southern Circle of Public Works, on a recent inspection in the Provinces, and before placing this before Government and replying to the remarks of His Lordship in Council, so far as the occasion seems to make it advisable, I beg that you will do me the favor to communicate your sentiments on the counter-statements or allegations of Major Crawford, on whose lengthened experience, local knowledge, and professional ability I need not enlarge further than to submit that they entitle his opinions to candid consideration

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Consideration.

Central office of
Public Works,
Fort St. George
7th March 1857.

Signed C. E. Faber Lt.
Chief Engineer.

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No. 62.

To
Colonel C. E. Faber,
Chief Engineer P.W.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 133, dated 10th January 1857, together with copy of Mr. Bird's letter to the Board of Revenue under date 9th December 1856, on the subject of the new Ponairy Channel in the Tinnivelly District.

2. Regretting the unfavorable comments on your proceedings in regard to this work. I beg not only to express my full sense of responsibility for having advised the appeal to Government which led

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led to them, but my conviction of the necessity of that measure; not merely to elicit orders for the guidance of the Revenue and Public Works Departments in the present case, but in order that the subject may be considered generally, for I have, during a long experience, found that the realization of promised results from irrigation projects depends greatly on circumstances over which we have no control whatever.

3. The Ponairy Channel, I need hardly remind you, was projected by myself for the irrigation of the Coleroon which, with great natural advantages, was almost entirely waste. The work was commenced early in 1856 at first by the Collector's Department, and afterwards under the executive charge of Lieutenant Tyrrell who was succeeded by the late Lieutenant Stower, after whose death it was carried on by Major Simon, who was relieved in August 1856 by Mr. Morgan.

4. This succession of Executive Officers

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Officers has certainly tended to retard the completion of the works, but there is no doubt that every effort was made to open the channel last year sufficiently to enable the Ryots to cultivate their cummies, and it is in my opinion equally certain that by the 15th November this was accomplished, for although the storm which took place the same night caused such damage as to stop the supply of water from the Coleroon for a few days, yet had the lands been ready they would have been irrigated, of which the Assistant and District Engineers are perfectly competent attestors.

5. Whether any account of the lands cleared up to that date had been kept by the Revenue Servants, does not appear, but none were furnished to the Engineer; no demand was made for water and as no good object could be attained by maintaining the supply, it was very wisely not attempted, but the works

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continued to be prosecuted. Mr Bird has indeed recorded some very strong statements in contradiction of those of the Engineers, but they rest wholly on the reports of the Tahsildar, whose extraordinary mode of inducing or forcing the Ryots to cultivate, is scarcely comprehensible if he knew they could not do so for want of water.

6. Before receiving Mr Bird's explanation and the orders of government, I visited the Ponany works in company with Lieutenant Pryce on the 27th January last, and was met by the Tahsildar whom I requested to collect as many of the Ryots as possible, to shew me the ground as ready for cultivation, and to explain clearly and fully the obstacles to the success of my design. I also inspected the channel nearly throughout and was convinced that no professional error had prevented its efficient action, although I fully approved of certain modifications of the original plan.

7. The Tahsildar furnished me with a statement of land now prepared for irrigation amounting

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to 219 Cawnies. but this appeared to be scattered about over several miles so that no proper arrangement for its irrigation could be made. In fact it seemed to be merely that which required little clearing and which had been actually cultivated as punjah. That Officer also distinctly informed me that the want of a progressive Cowle was the real cause of the backwardness of the Ryots and that no orders to give Cowles had been received.-

8- The Ryots at once corroborated the Tahsildar's statement and presented me with a petition, praying for a Cowle on terms far less liberal than obtains in Tanjore, nor did they so far as I understood at all, urge that which the Collector has so strongly put forward on their behalf, Viz. the necessity of "a certain and lasting supply of water" being given by Government before they will take any measures for utilizing it. On the contrary I believed that they most plainly asserted their intention of clearing the lands at once provided the punjah tax is not exacted in full.-

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9- I then addressed the Collector and received a reply wherein the liberty of Cowle is fully admitted, but its efficacy as a means of inducing cultivation in lieu of a steady supply of water is first exhibited, is strongly questioned, although Mr. Bird does not grate any authority for such an opinion, nor explain his views as to the length of time he considers it necessary to keep a steady supply in the channel before the people will consent to use it.-

10- It is evident that Mr. Bird has misunderstood the object of the Engineer Officers in seeking for a more active interposition on the part of his Department in inducing the Ryots to take up the land for the purpose for which alone the Government have granted an outlay of more than half a Lac of Rupees- The Punjah assessment being so much reduced there is no difficulty in paying it in expectance of any profitable returns, and Mr. Bird informs me some land has already

already been actually sold under these conditions. Thus showing that speculation is more rife than agricultural energy, and this is the real though latent cause of that indifference to the preparation of the lands manifested by the peoples paying a tax of 2 Rupees is valuable without water, but if capable of irrigation it bears an enhanced value. It is to raise this price without incurring expense for that purpose that many of the Ryots are hanging back in their efforts, and the lands will probably be sold to parties destitute of all capital & farming stock at the very time when both should be in operation.

11. This system, I need hardly say, would defeat all the efforts of the Irrigation Officers to lay out the minor branch channels in such a manner as to economize the water, for each proprietor, who might find it convenient to level and clear a few Cawnies, would clamour for his supply without

without the least regard to the general interests, and thus water might have to be conveyed for miles in various directions for the sake of a very small extent of cultivated land.

12. But to render this project fully profitable the cultivation must be regularly if not simultaneously undertaken. Plots of ground must be marked off in communication with the Engineers who will determine the proper channel of supply and the fitting direction for the distributaries unless some plan of this sort is adopted I predict the failure of the works.

13. I have placed in Mr. Bird's hands the petition for canals and have also explained the mode of operations I now describe rejecting the very idea of forcing cultivation, but upholding the right of the state to an immediate return for its outlay which the immediate payment of punjah tax cannot be considered.

14. I trust that these remarks will relieve me from all imputation of reflecting on the proceedings of the Collector who has, I doubt not, acted

acted strictly up to his duty, but who has
I conceive, scarcely appreciated the
efforts necessary to establish a new
system of irrigation on proper
principles.

15. I have now to report that
a complete inspection of the channel
has fully satisfied me of the expe-
diency of adopting Lieutenant
Ryves plan extending its head
up the river to the Westward of
the mouth of the Muvdanpur jungle
stream, across which it is to be
carried by a tunnel which
will prevent all injury from the
floods of that torrent either by
breaching the banks or the mix-
ture of salt with the irrigation
channel. This improvement would
have been easily effected within
the amount sanctioned, but
not the lengthened duration of
the works and increased cost of
superintendence incurred, and
I therefore judge it necessary that
an excess of Rupees 2,500. or 5 per cent.
which is within the Chief Engineers
power to sanction, should be
incurred.

16. I am also of opinion that from the
date of completion it will be necessary to
maintain an establishment consisting
of a Monigar and ten Cotars costing 40
Rupees per Month, for the Conservancy of
this Channel, and I recommend that
a cess of 2 Annas per Cawny be at once
levied on all lands actually irrigated
for their support. If this system is
now introduced it will never be
felt as a hardship by the Cultivators,
or as a charge on the revenue, and
there will be no risk of failure
of supply.

17. I may, in conclusion, observe that it is difficult to see how Mr Bird's views are to be realized, for supposing it to be necessary for the irrigation Officers to maintain a constant supply of water through the main Channel before the Ryots will begin to clear the land, an entire season of useless map over before any real return from the work can be derived, and in the mean time a full working staff must be maintained by the District Engineer which will greatly

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greatly interfere with his other operations.

18. Since the above remarks were written I have been informed by Mr Bird that the payment of one years Punjah rent ensures possession of the land under the Ponany Channel if it remains uncultivated, and I think my belief that the competition for it arises from a spirit of speculation is fully confirmed. Of the 2,000 Cawnies on which rent was paid last year, perhaps four fifths will yield nothing in the present season and yet no transfer of the land can be made by the Collector to parties more enterprising than the present holders.

19. A Copy of this letter will be communicated to the Collector of Trichinopoly in order to place my views and opinions at once before him in case he should be inclined and enabled to act on them.

Camp Trichinopoly
23 Febuary
1857.

I have &c
Signed E. Lawford
Superintending Engr
S. Circle

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B.C. No 768.

Proceedings thereon. Resolved that the

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above letters be forwarded to the

Collector of Trichinopoly for

any observations he may wish

to make.

2. The Board request information

in regard to Major Lawford's

remarks on the subject of the

Royals requiring Cowles preparatory to

their Commencing to clear the lands

under the Ponnary channel. The Board

wish to know on what terms they

now hold the land and in what

respects these conditions differ

from those they are said to

desire in the new Cowles.

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The Collector will also state whether he has reason to believe that the Ryots have taken up the lands merely on speculation, and if this is the case whether Government can compel them or compel them to make use of the water at their command by any way or rule in force in the District.

3. Mr Bird will also give his opinion on the suggestion contained in para 16.

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3d No 81,1,

From the Acting Collector of Madura

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No 1,2

To. J. D. Sim Esqre
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St George

Sir

In submitting the Statement of lapsed Enams called for by the Boards Circular of the 10th July last No 2100 I have the honor to

No of cases of Elapsed Enam

Division	1818	1849	1850	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855	1856	Total	No recorded in the Board	No ready for report	No unexamined.
Collectors						2	1	5	1	1	x/25	17	"	2
Sub Collectors													

observe that 8 out of the x/25 cases have been disposed of by the Collector under the option granted to him by the Enam rules of 1818.

Madura 27th of February 1857

/Signed/ R. J. Sullivan
Acting Collector

3d No 75.
Proceedings Peterson

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The Board wish to be informed whether the aggregate /25/ given in the Acting Collector's abstracts includes all the lapses reported and known to have occurred or only those disposed of.

They also wish to know whether the Assistants as well as the Sub Collector are not required to deal with lapses occurring within their jurisdictions.

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390 Resolved that the following Letters be despatched.—

Bd No 749 To Coimbatore and Kurnool } Sirs I am desired by the Board of Revenue to request that you will return without delay the original Statement having reference to the call of the House of Lords forwarded to you for amendment with my letter dated 15th September 1856

Revenue Board Office Fort St George 11th March 1857 } /Signed/ J. D. Sim Acting Secretary

391 Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous Letters and Statements.—

My No 574 From the Collector of Canara. Return of Persons charged with Offences under Regulation IX of 1822 for January 1857.

392 My No 572 From the Collector of Bellary. Return of Village Officers referred to in Section VII Regulation VII of 1831 Suspended or dismissed during January 1857.—

393 My No 575 From the Collector of Canara.— Informs that the Returns of Confinements under Regulation IX of 1822 is blank for January 1857.—

394 My No 576 From the Collector of Malabar. Reports that no cases were tried under Regulation IX of 1822 and also that in cases occurred under Regulation VI of 1831 for February 1857.—

395 My No 578 From the Collector of South Arcot. Statement of Demand Collections Balance of Revenue for D:

396 My No 581. From the Collector of Malabar. Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of Revenue for D:

397 My No 579 From the Collector of Tinnevelly. Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of Revenue for D:—

398 My No 580 From the Collector of Trichinopoly. Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of Revenue for D:

399 My No 573 From the Collector of Canara.— Season Report for D:—

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