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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Monday the 8th March 1858.

Read the following Papers received from Government and bound in a Separate Volume.

Revenue Department

B. No. 1903.

From the Acting Secretary to Government — Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 7th December 1857 — Referring back to the Board with the instructions of Government the Petition of Suthyanatha Pillay and others of Peloor &c. in Trivady Talooks of Tanjore Claiming the possession of certain lands attached to the Ramatchi Ammanum Pagoda in that District. — (See No. 1260 in Separate Volume)

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From the Acting Secretary to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 26th February 1858.

Authorizing the Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines to comply with the indent from the Collector of Coimbatore for Gunpowder to the extent of 25 lb. } See No. 359 in Separate Volume

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From the Acting Secretary to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 3d March 1858.

Resolving to forward the Memorial of N. Krishniah late a Jenabundar on the Establishment of the Collector of Rajahmundry to the Honorable Court, with the recommendation that the prayer of petitioner for re-employment in the Public Service might be complied with. } See No. 266 in Separate Volume

To

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No. 24.

To

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

Bl. No. 1029.

From the Acting Collector of Ganjam. } Sir,

With reference to the Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue under date the 16th Instant No. 639 I have the honor to enclose a Statement shewing the number of Stations at which Stamps are sold and to state that in every one of these there are Vendors who although otherwise employed in the public service in fixed Salaries draw Rupees 3 per cent upon Stamps sold by them this has been the Custom for a very long period probably from the time Stamps were introduced the only alteration I have made is to make over the 3 per Cent on all Stamps sold which was formerly the prequisite of the cash Keeper of this Treasury on account of his having charge of the Stamps to the present Stamp Darogah.

Ganjam District
Collectors Office
Chittrapore 26th February 1858.

Signed W. Knox.
Acting Collector.

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№ 32.

To,

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

Sir,

B. R. № 1004.
From the Collector of Vizagapatam.

With reference to an Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue of date the 2d Instant № 549. I have the honor to submit herewith a Statement shewing the several Stations where Stamps were sold prior to the introduction of the present System in the Stamp Department, together with the amount of its Commission hitherto paid thereon.—

2. The Government in their Proceedings & Consultations of date the 3d December 1857 № 1348, para 11 formally directed that the new arrangements were to take effect from 1st January 1858 and this was accordingly done.—

3. Previous to the introduction of the new System the Heads of Police in the District were authorized to vend Stamps except in the case of 3 or 4 of these the post were allowed an assistant to obviate the great inconvenience to the public on occasions of absence of the Head Officer as well as loss in the Sale of Stamps, these contingencies are now guarded against by the permanent nomination of vendors for the sole purpose of selling Stamps in those localities where Stamps are most in demand and as I am of opinion that the arrangement work[illegible] I request it may receive the Board's Sanction and support.—

4. I beg to add that the Stamp vendors Service are also available to the Heads of Police on any occasion when they may be required.

Vizagapatam Collector's Office
25th February 1858.

Signed C. R. Read
Collector

Statement

Fort St. George 8th March 1858.

Statement Shewing the Stations at which Stamps were sold and the average Sale of Stamps for six Years.

Districts	Chittapore	Chicacole	Nellapore	Ankerry	Palasah	Total
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1852	1053 4 .	844 12 .	1615 8 .	1391 12 .	1008 4 .	
1853	2088 4 .	6238 . .	1784 4 .	1086 8 .	823 . .	
1854	1224 8 .	6313 4 .	1615 . .	1381 8 .	991 8 .	
1855	3470 12 .	8310 8 .	1890 8 .	1224 4 .	1380 4 .	
1856	1541 . .	8070 8 .	2203 8 .	1206 12 .	1801 8 .	
Total	10372 12 .	35283 . .	9107 12 .	6356 12 .	6003 4 .	
Average for 6 years	2070 8 10	5880 6 5	1521 8 10	1241 5 7	1200 10 8	
Average for 6 months	106 11 5	588 . 6	157 12 9	105 15 1	100 . .	

Ganjam District
Collector's Office
Chittapore 26th February 1858

Signed A. Knox
Acting Collector.

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Fort St. George 8th March 1858.

No. 71.

To

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

B. No. 2581.
From the Collector of
Rajahmundry.
No. 2091

Sir

With reference to the Board's Proceedings under date the 19th instant I have the honor to forward herewith copy of the letter from the Civil Auditor dated the 17th September last referred to in my endorsement on Petition No. 1100 of 1857 which petition is herewith returned.

Rajahmundry District
Collector's Office
Cocanada 25th June
1857

Signed A. Purvis
Collector.

No. 1081

To

The Collector of
Rajahmundry

Revenue Department

Sir,

In reply to your letter dated the 8th Instant, I have the honor to transmit for your guidance a printed form of a revised declaration upon honor that

should

should be attached to the foot of all your future pensions abstracts.-

2 It is absolutely necessary that the pensioners should be paid in the presence of either yourself or your assistants but at the same time I must remark that at this Department holds you as Head of the Collectorate personally responsible for the correctness of all payments made on that account.-

Fort St. George, Civil Auditors Office
17th September 1850

/ Signed / H. Lushington
Civil Auditor

/ True Copy /
/ Signed / A Bruce
Collector.

To
No. 16.
J. D. Sim Esqre
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

P. No. 416.
From the Collector of Masulipatam
No. 514.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 11th December 1857, I have the honor to forward Copy of a letter dated 11th Instant No. 8 from the Head assistant Collector Mr. Chase together with the field Book and the Map therein alluded to this letter will afford all

all the information the Board require.-

Masulipatam
Collectors Circuit Cutcherry
at Nedadavole 19th January
1858

/ Signed / T. J. Knox.
Acting Collector.

No. 8.

To
T. J. Knox Esqre
Acting Collector of
Masulipatam.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 509 dated 24th Ultimo and its accompaniments. I have the honor to submit herewith for the inspection of the Board a field book of 10 Villages with Map.-

2. With reference to Para 2 of the Boards letter, I regret to say that it is not practicable to furnish the Board with a copy of all that has already been mapped, without considerable delay.-

3. As regards para 3, I have the honor to state that the Villages and fields have been measured with 100 feet measuring chains, and the Square feet reduced to acres.-

4. The marginal figures on the map will shew the Survey measurement of 10 Villages

Villages in Goodewadah Talook, as compared with the area as entered in the village accounts.

5 The original letter from the Acting District Engineer is herewith returned.

Masulipatam
Head Assistant Collector's Cutcherry
11th January 1858

Signed/ T. A. Chase
Head Assistant Collector

True Copy/
Signed/ S. Knox,
Acting Collector

No. 8.

To,

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

Sir,

B. No. 587.
From the Collr. of Guntoor

With reference to the Board's Circular No. 1283 embodying Extract Minutes Consultation under date the 16th April 1857. I have the honor to request you will be good enough to furnish me with a copy of each work noted in the margin for the use of my Office.—

Madras Almanac for 1858
Army List—Dr.

Guntoor District Collectors Office
Dated Carefully 30th January 1858

Signed/ H. Ward
Collector

No.

To,

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

Sir,

B. No. 462.
From the Collector of Chingleput—

X From the Board dated 11th August 1835—
To the Board dated 15th September 1835
No. 163
From the Board dated 26th September 1835.

The correspondence noted in the X margin, and the enclosed Plan will shew that about 18 Cawnies of land were purchased for an encamping ground in 1831 on the high ground between Maimalong Bridge and the Mount nearly facing the house now occupied by the District Engineer Lieutenant Moberly.—

2. Some months ago Lieutenant Moberly who was desirous of building an Engineers Storehouse, workshop and Office, applied to me to know if he could have any portion of the land preferred to made over to him for the above purpose, when the purchase recorded in the previous Para having transpired he sought the requisite permission from the Quarter Master General of the Army. This was readily granted, and a Plan of the ground as applied for in 1830 having been found. The Superintending Engineer Central Circle was requested by the Deputy

Quarter

Extract from the Proceedings Chief Engineer No 302 dated 15th July 1857 marked A

Letter dated 3rd Augt 1857 No 861 marked B

Letter dated 27th Septr 57 No 350 marked C.

Quarter Master General to have bounding Stones laid down in conformity to it to avoid future dispute These boundaries not agreeing with the boundaries pointed out to Lieutenant Moberly by the Tahsildar, he applied to me to clear the matter up, when I explained to him that the Plan drawn up by the Dy. Quarter Master General shewed the land that had been applied for while that furnished to me by me shewed the land that had been actually purchased, and was therefore alone the property of Government.—

3. Having lately learnt that the Boundary Stones had been laid down in conformity with the Plan of the Quarter Master General, and not with my Plan, I sought an explanation from Lieutenant Moberly who furnished me with the Chief Engineer's Order for his Proceedings—

The chief Engineers 23 Octr 1857 No 7231 marked D. Extract from chief Engineers Proceedings No 3507 dated 26th November 57 marked E.

4. Considering that the difference between the extent of ground applied for and that purchased, appears to have been brought to the Chief Engineer's notice I am at a loss to understand the principle on

which he has enclosed about 33 Cawnies of land more than the Government are entitled to, and as such a Proceeding can only lead to subsequent disputes which it may be difficult hereafter to unravel, I have the honor to request the Board will be good enough to make the necessary application to Government for the boundary Stones being removed and placed according to the Plan furnished by me to Lieutenant Moberly which it will be seen includes all the land the Government have required a claim to.—

Chingleput District
Collector's Cutcherry
Sydapet 23d January 1858.—

(Signed) C. J. Shubrick
Collector

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A

No 2027

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works Under date the 16th July 1857.

Read the following

Quarter Master Generals Office No 1682.

To

The Superintending Engineer Central Circle

Sir,

In reply to your letter dated 25th Instant asking for the transfer of a small peice of Ground for public building purposes, on the site selected for an encamping ground near the Marmalong Bridge, and purchased by the Government for that purpose, I have the honor by order to say, that there is no objection to your using the ground asked for.-

2. I am desired to take the opportunity of bringing to your notice, that there is a marked difference in the boundary of the ground belonging to Government as exhibited in your Plan, and as exhibited in the enclosed Copy of an Original Plan of the ground found in this Office.-

3. It would be well, that boundary stones be at once erected agreeably to the old Plan to

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to avoid future dispute.-

Fort St George 30th June 1857. Signed/ F H Scott Major Dy. Qr. Mr. Genl. of the Army

Resolved that the Copy of the above communication from the Quarter Master General of the Army giving the District Engineer of Chingleput permission to occupy a portion of the encamping ground at Guindy for an Engineer's Yard be forwarded to him with a request that he will be good enough to lay down the boundaries of the said Camping ground by means of permanent pillars out of the Budget List in accordance with the plan herewith forwarded by the Quarter Master General as correct and agreeably to request contained in para 3 of Quarter Masters Generals letter.-

/ A true Extract /

/ Signed / G. C. Collyer Captain Supg. Engr. Central Circle

/ True Copy /

/ Signed / A. L. Moberly Lieut. Dist. Engineer of Chingleput

/ True Copy /

/ Signed / C. J. Shubrick Collector.

B

No 861

To, C. J Shubrick Esqre. Collector of Chingleput

Sir, I have the honor to forward the accompanying copy by dak of

X To be returned

Copy of Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer together with 2 Plans and as the Plan made by me was according to that was pointed out to me by the late Tahsildar of Sydapet agreeably to your orders I beg that you will kindly inform me from the Records of your office as to what Plan is correct as if I was to attempt putting down the Boundary Stones according to the wish of the Quarter Master General I might be having a Suit filed against me by the Zemindar of Pallaveram.—

District Engineers Office
Camp at Guindy
3rd August 1857

/ Signed/ A. J. Moberly Lieut.
District Engr of Chingleput
/ True Copy/
/ Signed/ C. J. Shubrick
Collector

C
No 250

To

The District Engineer
of Chingleput

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 3d Ultimo No 801 with two Plans herewith returned I have the honor to send you Copy of the Correspondence noted in the margen and the Plan therein referred to with the actual boundaries of the encamping ground marked in pencil.—

You will perceive that the actual ground purchased by Government for encamping is less than that entered in the Quarter Master Generals Plan received with your letter as then shown to you by the Tahsildar. The Tahsildar probably did not know the exact boundaries of the stones are there to point

+ To the Board of Revenue No 163 Dated 15th Septr 1835 From Do & No dated 8th September 1835.—

X To be returned.—

point them out they may have been improperly fixed and so have misled him. The Plan of the Quarter Master General defines the boundaries of the land applied for an encamping ground and not the land actually purchased for that purpose. This latter particular is described and shown in the enclosed correspondence and Plan.—

Chingleput District
Collectors Cutcherry
Sydapet 29th September 1857

/ C. J. Shubrick
Collector
/ True Copy/
/ Signed/ C. J. Shubrick
Collector

D
No 1231

To
Colonel C. C. Saber
Chief Engineer D. C. W.

Sir,

With reference to Extract from your Proceedings No 2027 under date the 15th July 1857 forwarding a Copy of a letter from the Quarter Master General regarding the encamping ground on the North side of the road from Madras to Saint Thomas Mount and stating that the Plan of the ground as shewn by me was different from the Plan in his Office and suggesting that boundary stones should be erected. I have the honor to inform you that before erecting the boundary stones, there being stones now on the ground as shewn in my Plan. I communicated with the Collector to prevent any dispute by and bye and now have the honor to forward a Copy of his letter together with an original Plan and 3 letters which I request

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may be returned, by which you will observe that my Plan is correct as far as shewing the boundary stones there is a slight difference regarding the amount of ground taken up but that is quite immaterial, the point being to take care that there should be boundary stones to avoid any future dispute. –

Dept. Engrs Office
Camp at Chingleput
25th October 1857

/ Signed A. S. Moberly Lieut.
Dept. Engr of Chingleput

/ True Copy /
/ Signed A. S. Moberly Lieut.
Dept. Engr of Chingleput

/ True Copy /
/ Signed / C. J. Shubrick
Collector

No 3307.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works under date the 26th November 1857.

Read the following letter from the District Engineer Chingleput

/ Above entered No 1331 dated 23d October 1857 /

Encl 5.

Resolved that the Plans received with the foregoing letter No 1331 dated 23d October 1857 be returned to the District Engineer Chingleput and that he be directed to lay down the bound marks of the encamping ground in accordance with the Plan forwarded by the Quarter Master General agreeably to Extract Proceedings No 3027 dated 15th July last.

/ A true Extract /
/ Signed / C. Lawford, Major
Supg Engineer in charge C C

/ A true Copy /
/ Signed / A. S. Moberly Lieut.
Dept. Engineer of Chingleput

/ A true Copy /
/ Signed / C. J. Shubrick
Collector

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No

3801 Fort St. George 8th March 1858.

No 8

To

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

B. No 965.

From Offg Asst. Agent in charge at Kurnool

Sir.

I have the honor to inform you that Venkata Row the Head Shistadar of this District has been permitted leave of absence to remain at home from the 1st to the 20th Instant. As he has now applied to me to obtain for him Privilege leave for a month commencing from the 31st of this month I have therefore the honor to request if the Board of Revenue see no objection that this leave may be granted him. –

Kurnool
Government Agents Office
25th February 1858

/ Signed / A. L. Grove Lt.
Offg Asst Agent to the Govt in charge

Covering 2 enclosures.

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B. No. 543.

Tabular Report on the Lapsed Enams

in the District of Salem.

8th March 1858.

Case No.	Taluk and Village extent and value of the entire Enam	When and by whom granted name of the original grantee Summons or other Documents in support of the grant.	Nature of the grant Charity or Service nature of the duty prescribed by the grant.	Name of the last Holder date of his decease & the relationship in which he stood to the grantee.	Share enjoyed by the deceased & that held by the other members.	Family left by the deceased & name & age of the parties, their circumstances & the means of subsistence possessed by them.	Recommendation of the Collector and the grounds on which it is made	Recommendation of the Board of Revenue	Decision of Government
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	Kistnagery Taluk Parezamvottoo Chetty Enam. Ac. Ga. Pa. As. Os. Rs. Do. Kan. 4.29.14.18.6.1 - - - Sorgy Pumpkin &c. 15 - - - 1 - 3 - - - - 9.4.14.19.9.4 - - - - -	On the 11th Feb. 1852 By Nabob to one Rachaza chetty	For being head of caste	Veerabadra chetty died on the 5th September 1856 Great grand Son to the original grantee	The whole of the Enam was enjoyed by the deceased	Wife 2nd Pregnant 30 Sons 3 Brahapoods 5 Unchappen - 8 Daughter 4 Pregnant 1 Yr Depend on the Enam	It appears that this Enam was given by the Nabobs to one Rajachetty for performing Service as the head of the caste - It has passed from the original grantee thro' his Son to his great grandson the deceased Veerabadra Chitty - This Enam which was originally engaged as a remuneration for Service has virtually assumed the nature of a pension. The Circars formerly required such service but now that the country is provided with Judicial Tribunals the Government do not recognize the person that posses such Enams any authority to decide caste disputes I therefore recommend that the Enam be resumed.		

Salem Collector's Office
On Circuit
Vonimbady 28th January 1858.

Signed A. A. Brett.
Collector.

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No. 33.

To,

C. Whittinghame Esqre
Collector of North Arcot

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to transmit my application for leave to revisit the Presidency for 10 days, under the provisions of Sections XII and XIII of the absentee Rules as business of an urgent nature requires my presence in Madras & should be thankful obliged by your forwarding my application with as short delay as possible. I should wish my leave to count from the date of my availing myself of it or leaving the District.

North Arcot ——————
Assistant Collector's Office
Chittoor 5th March 1858.

Signed W. T. Whiteside
Assistant Collector

Recommended for sanction as circumstances

North Arcot ——
Collector's Cutcherry
Chittoor 5th March 1858.

Signed C. Whittinghame
Collector

To
The
Hon.
G. L. Harbey Esqre
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

No. 13.

B. No. 1036.

From the Acting Collector of Tanjore ——

Sir,

I have had the honor to receive a Circular from your Office dated the 25th of January last No. 335 requesting to know what number of Salt Balances

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Balances will be required in this District, if weighing is substituted for measuring in all salt transactions.—

In the absence of information as to the description of Balance intended to be supplied, more especially with reference to its weight and portability and liability to damage, I am not clear as to the number I should indent for; for where Platforms are situated close together, if the balance be of a strong description, and not liable to be easily put out of order, one might perhaps be made available for two Platforms. As however, I think it advisable to prevent any inconvenience to have one for each of the smaller Platforms and two for the larger ones where the sales are generally very considerable. I beg to append a memorandum of the total number required for the District.

The larger balances are only for places where salt is sold for exportation by sea.—

Names of Salt Divisions	No. of balances capable of weighing	
	1 Indian Maund	3 Indian Maunds
Arasanagherry	8	"
Sendalay	8	"
Adramptalam	18	"
Negapatam	9	4
Nedavassal	9	"
Total	52	4

Tanjore Collector's Circuit Cutcherry
Trivalore 2d March 1858

Signed F. D. Phillips
Acting Collector.

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No. 232.

To

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

Sir,

B. W. 1330

From the Ag. Sub. Collr. in charge Madura

With reference to Extract Proceedings of the Board of Revenue of the 27th March 1857, I have the honor to transmit the accompanying 8 Lists prepared in the Form annexed thereto.-

Madura 30th October 1857

(Signed) J. R. Cockerell
Ag. Sub Collr. in charge.

No. 15.

To

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

B. W. 1330

From the Ag. Collr. of Madura

Sir,

With reference to the Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 6th instant No. 32,

		Receipts			Charges			Net income after deduction of the charges		
		Rs	A.	P.	Rs.	a	p	Rs.	a	p.
Establishment & Sadarwards	1854	575	8	2	303	15	3	271	9	-
	1855/56	573	3	9	297	-	-	276	3	9
	1856/57	301	15	10	270	-	-	31	15	10
		1450	10	9	870	15	3	579	11	7

Statement

Average Net income of the 3 years } 196-9-3

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The abolition of the Chowkey will therefore seem unaltered for and the maintenance of the existing Establishment is necessary.-

	Monthly Rs.	Cost a.	p.
1 Goorvastah	7	-	-
1 Shroff	5	4	"
3 Peons at 3/3 Rs per Mensem	10	8	"
1 Sweeper	"	4	"
Total	23	"	"
Sadarwards charges	1	12	"
Grand Total	24	12	"

Madura 30th January 1858

(Signed) A. Rathaway
Ag Collector.

No. 12.

To

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

B. W. 560

From the Collector of Tinnevelly

Sir,

I have the honor to report that Mootoovenatachellasamy Maneagar the proprietor of 4/5th share of the Zemindary of Pademittah in this District, paying a Peishcush annually to Government of Rupees 4351-6-7 died on the 15th October 1857 leaving a Son named Mootoocoomaraswamy Maneagar and other pelations, as shewn in the accompanying Genealogical tree.-

The

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2. The deceased Zemindar some months previous to his death reported to me that he recognized his son Moottoocoomara vavuny Mane agar aged 27 years, as heir to the Estate.-

3. After his death his Son addressed an Argee to me requesting that the Estate may be registered in his name.

4. An Argee professedly signed by one Thoambia Lanny Managar having been received by Cowle to the effect that he was the younger Brother of the deceased and that he should be considered as the heir to the Estate, the Tahsildar of Santhoor in whose Taluk the Estate in question is situated, was directed to make an enquiry into the matter and he reported that on sending for the younger brother of the deceased and questioning him as to whether the above Argee was written by him, he answered in the Negative and stated that he has no claim to the Estate.-

5. The Tahsildar further states that Moottoocoomara vavuny Mane agar the Son of the deceased who has been ascertained from the relations

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of the Zemindar to be the only legal male heir, and who was named by the deceased as his successor appears to be a fit person, and well qualified to administer the Estate.

6. I saw the Son of the deceased on the 30th Instant and from a personal conference I had with him, I concurs with the Tahsildar in his opinion above mentioned.-

7. There are no arrears outstanding against the Estate which is capable of yielding a Peshcush of Rupees 8413-11-3 per Annum.-

8. Under these circumstances I have the honor to recommend that Moottoocoomara vavuny Mane agar above referred to be recognized as successor to the Estate in question.-

9. Pending the receipt of the orders of the Board on the subject, I have ordered the Estate to be temporarily left in the hands of the Son of the deceased Zemindar.-

Timevelly
26th January 1858.

/Signed/ J. Silver
Collector.

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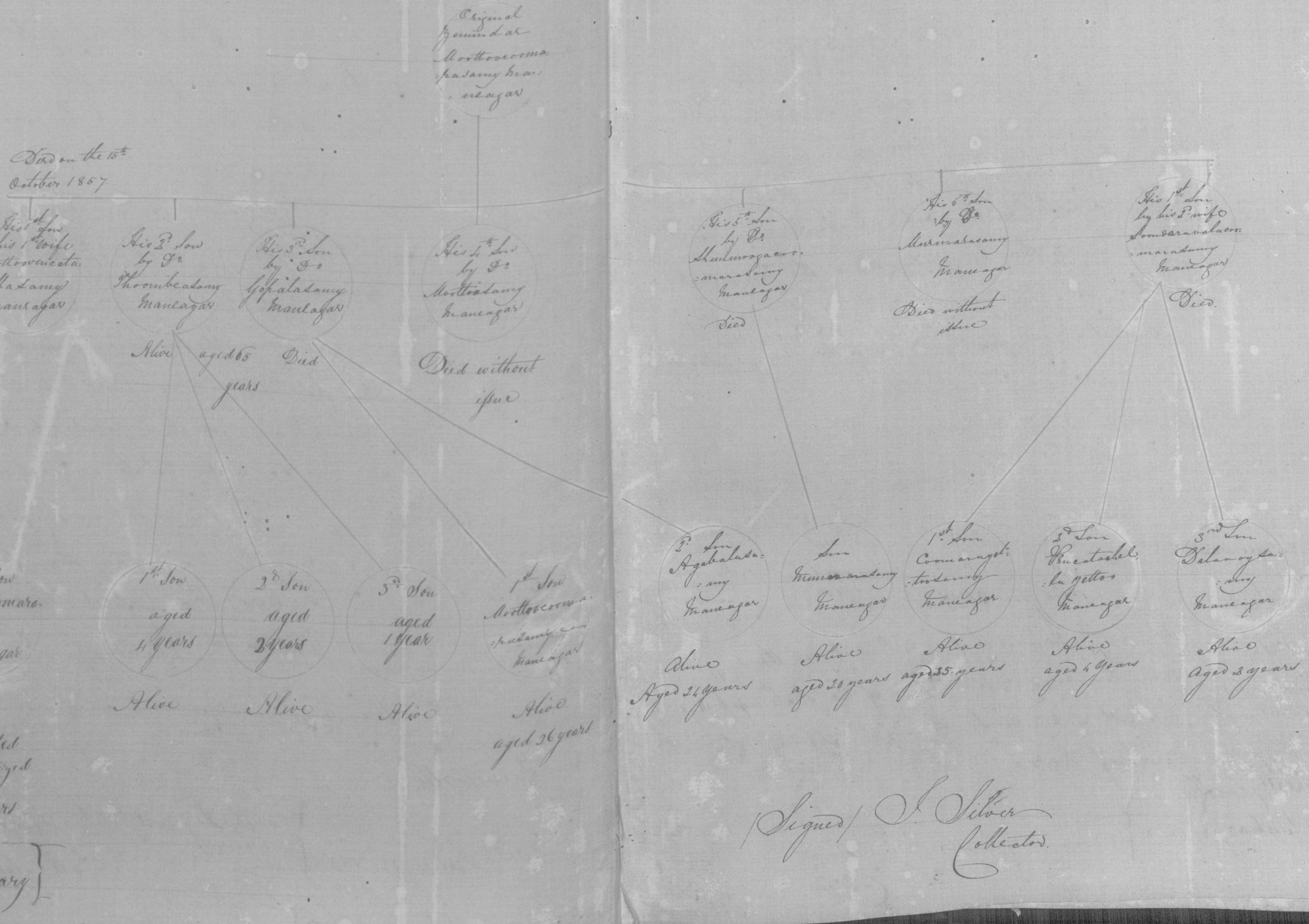
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Genealogical Tree referred to in a letter from the Board of Revenue Fort Saint George dated 26th January 1858 No. 1

Collector of Tinnevelly to the Acting Secretary to

dated 26th January 1858.



(Signed) J. Silver
Collector.

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To

No. 84.

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

B. No. 893.

From the Collector of Tinnevelly

Sir,

With reference to Extract from the Minutes of Consultation dated 7th January 1858 authorizing the Minor Zemindars of Paiyoor and Themmarcottai in this District being temporarily placed under the Wardship of the Acting Collector of Tanjore, with a view to their being educated in the provincial School at Coombaconum, I have the honour to inform you that I have this day written to the Acting Collector of Tanjore intimating that the Minors will leave this on or about the 25th Instant for Coombaconum, and requesting him to make the necessary arrangements for their reception &c.

2 I have also forwarded to him two Statements shewing the monthly expenditure on account of the subsistence of the Minors, their relatives, and attendants who accompany them, with a request that he will disburse the same from his Treasury, and Copies of the Statements are herewith submitted for the information of the Court of Wards.

Tinnevelly
20th February 1858.

[Signed] J. Silas
Collector

List

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List

Amount Sanctioned by the Court of Wards under date the 26th October 1854 and 15th January 1857 for the Subsistence of the Minor Zemindar of Paiyoor and his relations &c. per annum ——— 1251 5 -

Deduct amount Sanctioned for the individuals who remain in the District 804 10 -

Remainder to be disbursed from the Treasury of the Collector of Tanjore on account of the Minor and his relations &c. who accompany him to Coombaconum ——— 446 11 -

Particulars.

	Sanctioned amount per mensem			Do. per annum		
Minor Zemindar Muttoocoomara Swamy Thombichetty Raikar	8	11	7	104	11	-
2 Servants to attend the Minor at 3 Rupees each per annum	6	-	-	72	-	-
1 Woman Servant for bringing water	3	-	-	36	-	-
1 Sweeper						
Pay of Tamil and Teloogoo teacher	7	-	-	84	-	-
Horsekeepers pay	2	8	-	30	-	-
Grass cutters pay	2	-	-	24	-	-
Value of Horse Gram at 2 Measures p diem	3	8	-	42	-	-
Incidental expenses for the Horse	-	8	-	6	-	-
English school Masters fee	1	-	-	12	-	-
Paper Quills &c. for the use of the Minor	1	-	-	12	-	-
House rent	1	-	-	12	-	-
	37	3	7	446	11	-
Carried forward	37	3	7	446	11	-

Particulars of the Amount not included in the above Sanction in consequence of the Marriage of the Minor having taken place only in the Month of December 1857 -

Minor Zemindar Wife Thaiammal	8	11	7	104	11	-
3 Women Servants to attend here 3 Rupees each per mensem	9	-	-	108	-	-
Total	17	11	7	213	11	-
Grand Total to be disbursed Monthly from the Treasury of the Collr of Tanjore Rupees	54	15	2	659	6	-

x The Sanction of the Court of Wards for this sum will be solicited at an early date ———

Tinnevelly
22nd February 1858.

[Signed] J. Silas
Collector.

True Copy
[Signed] J. Silas
Collector

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List

Amount Sanctioned by Court of Wards under date the 15th August 1855 for the Subsistence of the Minor Zemindar of Timmacottah and his Relations &c. per annum ____ 1745 10 3

Deduct amount Sanctioned for the individuals who remain in the District ____ 1253 10 3

Remainder to be disbursed from the Treasury of Collector of Tanjore on account of the Minor and his Relations &c. who accompany him to Combaconum ____ 493 - -

Particulars	Sanctioned amount per Measem	&c. per Annum
Minor Zemindar Singaralinga Lima Naiker	8 12 -	105 - -
His Mother Krishnummal	8 12 -	105 - -
2 Servants to attend the Minor at 3 Rs each	6 - -	72 - -
1 Cook	3 - -	36 - -
1 Woman Servant to bring water	3 - -	36 - -
Bandy Hire	2 8 -	30 - -
Charges for feeding Bullocks	5 - -	60 - -
House rent	1 - -	13 - -
English School Masters fee	- 4 -	3 - -
One Store Keeper	3 - -	36 - -
Papers, Quills &c for the use of the Minor	- 13 -	9 - -
Total Rupees	41 - -	493 - -

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Signed J. Silver Collector.
True Copy Signed J. Silver Collector.

To

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No 93

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

Bd No 561
From the Collector of Coimbatore

Sir

Adverting to Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 14th Instant No 149 requiring decisions after former trials on the charges brought against the Tahsildars of Cheyoor and Palladum, I have the honor to forward for approval a decision on the formal trial of a charge of corruption and bribery against the Tahsildar of Cheyoor and two decisions on two charges of exaction against the Tahsildar of Palladum—

2 The general character and conduct of the Tahsildars

I have

have been fully entered into by Mr. Thomas in his letter of 18th December 1857 No. 222 with which translates of the proceedings in the above cases were also forwared Translates of the defence of the two Tahsildars are also herewith furnished

Coimbatore—
29th January 1858

/Signed/ M. J. Walhouse
Sub Collector in Charge

Enclosure 1

Rama Rao Tahsildar of Pulladum is charged with Exaction in the following instances.—

The Prosecutor Ramasteven of Sooloor in Palladam Talook deposes that about a year ago certain stones of the Rookipolliem Annicut were carried away by freshes. the defendant Rama Rao Tah-
=sildar of Pulladum made this a pretext for exacting money from him by intimating he might be charged

charged with having taken the stones away Prosecutor therefore went to the defendants house and there in presence of 1st witness paid 40 Rupees to defendant for the purpose of buying off any charge that might be made against him.—

1st Witness deposes and confirms his Statement on Oath that he ac-
=companied prosecutor to defendants house and there gave Rupees 40 which prosecu-
=tor had previously entrusted to him to defendant for the expressed purpose of buying off any charge respecting the stones of the Rookipolliem annicut.—

2d Witness accompanied prosecutor and 1st Witness to defen-
=dants house with a full know-
=ledge of what they were going

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going there for he remained without and in a short time they came out and told him that the bribe paid and accepted.—

The defendant denies the charge—

I consider it sufficiently established that defendant for a bribe of Rupees 40 allowed complainant to buy off a charge whether true or false does not appear that might have been made against him, and therefore sentence him (Defendant) to a fine of Rupees 80 under clause 1 Section V Regulation IX of 1822 in default of payment to be kept in Custody in the Cutcherry or jail under clause 2 of the aforesaid Section and Regulation—

Coimbatore Collectors Office 29th January 1858

/ Signed / M. J. Walhouse
Sub Collector & Charge

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Enclosure 2

The Prosecutor Rungappa Naick charges Sham Row Tahsildar of Cheyoor with corruption and bribery in having about midday on Thursday 9th July last in the Cusbah Cheyoor unlawfully received bribe of Rupees 30 from one Seerungachetty in order that a Counter complaint preferred against him (Seerungachetty) by prosecutor might be hushed up—

1st 3d and 4th Witnesses prove on oath that Defendant at the time and place mentioned received 30 Rupees from Sheerungachetty in the condition espressed and understood of deciding in his favor in a case brought by him against Rungappa Naick—

Defendant denies the charge and endeavours to prove an alibi to the effect that on the day in question he was from 6. a. M. to 6. P. M. absent at Avenashy

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a village 6 Miles distant from Cheyoor this plea is overthrown by the testimony of the Talook Sheristadar and the other officers of that Cutcherry who state that the Tahsildar attended cutcherry on that very day, and did not leave Cheyoor till noon and they also pro=duce a statement written by him at Cheyoor that day in his own hand

Prosecutor further states and proves by 3 witnesses that the Defendants endeavoured to tamper with the par=ties and hush up the charge against himself since the commence=ment of the enquiry.

Upon carefully considering all the evidence in this case and the defence set up I am of opinion that the offence of corruptly receiving 30 Rupees from Sheerungamchetty for

for the purpose named in the charge is proved against Defend=ant and accordingly sentence him to pay a fine of 60 Rupees under clause 1 Section V of Regu=lation IX of 1822 or in default of payment to be kept in custody in the Cutcherry or Zillah Jail under clause 2 of the aforesaid Section and Regulation I also concur with the Collector in thinking the De=fendant should be remov=ed from his office of Tahsildar.

Coimbatore — Collectors Office 29th January 1858

/Signed/ M. J. Walhouse
Sub Collector in Charge

Enclosure 3

Rama Rao Tahsildar

of Pulladum is charged with exc=action in the following instance.

Peyateevan of Ramanathapooram in

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in the Coimbatore Talook jointly with 1st witness had purchased a garden from 2d witness in Calingal a village of the Pulladum Talook about one and a half year ago He applied to Defendant to purchase a stamped paper for a Sale bond such stamped paper being required by a Circular from the Collector under date 28th November 1853 to be purchased in the Talook where such transfer is effected - Defendant on various pretexts deferred giving the stamped paper till a bribe was paid Prosecutor accordingly went to Defendants house and there paid him 40 Rupees before two witnesses; and got the stamped paper on the same afternoon -

1st and 2d witnesses prove on oath the payment of 40 Rupees to Defendant in his house in their presence for the purpose of obtaining stamped paper from Defendant who

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had previously evaded furnished one Defendant having received the money said that if they came to the Cutcherry in the afternoon the stamped paper would be furnished they accordingly went there and it was given them -

Defendant denies the charge -

The evidence proves defendant to have received a bribe of Rupees 40 - for doing an official act namely supplying and selling a stamped paper to Complainant for which no payment could be lawfully demanded. He is therefore Sentenced to pay a fine of Rupees 80 under clause I Section V of Regulation IX of 1822 and to be kept in custody in the Cutcherry or Zillah Jail till the judgement is satisfied under clause 2 of the aforesaid Section and regulation -

Ialso

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I also concur with the Collector in recommending the dismissal of defendant from his Office.

Coimbatore Collector's Office 29th January 1858 } Signed/ Mr. J. Wadhouse Sub Collector in charge

Enclosure 4

Translation of defence given by, Rama Row Tahsildar of Pulladum Talook and son of Narrain Row of Chaitpah aged 54 years dated 7th December 1857.

Question: You are charged with having received bribes in the following cases Viz: 40 Rupees from one Ramatauen in the case of the Annicut stones of Ravisipollem Rupees 40 from Paya Tauen for giving stamped Paper for writing a deed of sale of land in Calingul Village 100 Rupees (through Tangamoottoo gounden late Monigar) collected by the Gardeners adjacent to the well in which

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which Rungen (a Chuchlee) was drawn=ed Rupees 300 from Chinnagownden and 200 from Sonapaty gounden when they were appointed as Monigars of Valaroay Village also 250 Rupees from Nootloo gounden of Caloovary pollium when the Manienishipp of Vaunipallium was filled up you have heard each of the depositions read and the statements given by the parties in your presence what have you to say Have you any thing to ask the parties?

I have neither received bribes nor done any injustice I have no=thing to ask them they have all combied together and made false Statements certain parties con=nected with the case of the Annicut stones are relatives of the Pro=secutor.

Died

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2 Did you hear this deposition read?

A Yes, it is right

/Signed/ Rama Row

Taken before me 7th December 1857.

/Signed/ E. B Thomas

Collector

(True Translation)

/Signed/ M. J. Walhouse

Sub Collector & Charge

Enclosure 5

Translation of a Defence given before the Assistant Magistrate of Coimbatore by Sama Row defendant son of Sheena=vasa Row by caste Bramin by profes=sion Tahsildar of Cheyoor Talook & Vishnoo religion and aged 41 years under date 7th August 1857.

Question. Did you hear the depositions of complainant Rama=gappa Naick and witnesses & just

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just now read over to you and what do you say in answer?

answer. I heard but I did not receive the bribe mentioned therein the witnesses are relatives of the com=plainant whose complaint is a false one

He says that the bribe was given on the 9th July but I was at Avenashy that whole day and have sold land in

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in public auction according to an order received from the Huzoor I have sent to the Huzoor the list of the sale of that land together with an arzee. The list was signed by certain Monigaro and Ryots who can explain on enquiry On the 19th November 1847 thus complainant and his brother were committed to the Criminal Court on a charge of murder of one Caroopen "Talayar" He is a bad character Besides thus I have heard from many sources that he has been concerned in many thefts and that he has injured a pregnant woman whereby she fell into a well and died

I was

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I was at avenashy till evening of Thursday the 9th above alluded to, which fact is known to Cannadappa Gounden of Poodoor Ranagachetty a Bazaman at avenashy and Saravumpully Curnum of Teravalore. A man named Comarasawmy Gounden Monigar of Alattoor was charged with having stolen sheep from the fields of certain Ryots on my reporting which to the Magistrates office an order was received directing me to send him and the witnesses for enquiry. The said Comarasawmy Gounden has therefore instigated the

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the complainant to bring a false charge against me which fact is known to Coopsanda Gwonden a Ryat of Alattoor and also to the Monigar of Mungaraswaliapollie Village named Coopsanda Gowdah.—

Question. Did you hear this read over to you, is it right

Answer— Yes—It is right—

/Signed/ Shama Row

Taken before me this—

/True Translation/

/Signed/ M. J. Walhouse

Sub Collector in Charge

Fort St. George 8th March 1838

No. 14

To

G. S. Forbes Esquire

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George.

B. No. 467 From the S. C. of Malabar. No. 202. Submits in continuation of letter dated 17th December last, a draft on appeal in a case in which the Zamorin Rajah sued the Tahsildar of Calicut for having used the term "Rajah" and omitted the term "Jamboorau"

Sir

In continuation of my letter dated 17th December last and with reference to the correspondence noted in the margin

To the Bard of Revenue Dated 14th August 1838 No. 94. From D. dated 30th D. No. 2810

I have the honor to submit a draft of an appeal in the case in which the Zamorin of Calicut sued the Tahsildar of Calicut, Amboo, a Teyen by caste, for having used the term "Rajah" and omitted the term "Jamboorau in his official letter addressed to the agent of the Rajah, in which he had occasion to allude to the Zamorin.

2 Damages were laied at Rupees 12,000 the Court has found that the action could not be sustained on

on its merits and dismissed it: but being of opinion that the Defendants "conduct was wrong and that he was "actuated by a "malicious intent" asses-"sed him with all costs in the "suit" The Court evidently holding that being in his "private capacity" a Teyen by caste, he was bound in his official capacity to use, in allusion to the Zamorin the expression belonging to his servile position in society by Caste.

Amounting to Rupees 1327-6-2

3 In my letter above alluded to I explained the nature of the case as regards the term used: Rajah "King" is the proper designation of the Zamorin as Samorin Rajah of Calicut. "Tamboorar" is a local term of address meaning "my Lord and Professor" or any "Divine disposer" and has no connection with his titular dignity or that of any other Rajah or private individual, the term

towards whom it is used indiscriminately by the lower orders. In the draft appeal Petition I have had introduced such matters as will tend to place the circumstances in as clear a light as I am able should any thing appear to the Board unnecessarily full it might be struck out.—

4. There can be no question as to the Law The suit could not be sustained and therefore the costs must fall on the party non suited The result of the appeal cannot be doubtful. But there are manifestly considerations of some moment connected with the question whether Public Officers are to continue exposed[x] to such suits and the harassing chances of such Decrees as that now to be submitted to the appellate Court.—

[x] without notice to the Official superior

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5 The Court may not have viewed the case as a Caste question. But such it is and much continues. The point at issue is one strictly of Caste, and it has been litigated and sympathized in especially I regret to add, by the Public service both Revenue and Judicial as one of Caste importance and it has been carried on with the most rancorous spirit of these distinctions. The peace therefore and equality of the Native Officials of Government in no small degree depend on its issue as a Caste question.

6 The term "Rajah" is that used by European Officials in speaking of or addressing the Zamorin and other Malabar Rajahs. No Brahmin or equal would ever think of using the term "Samboorun" which implies servitude and inferiority. Among

Among the lower Orders the term is still very generally used not only towards these titularly Rajahs (who seek to exact it but only from Soodras and the servile classes as such) but also by these classes towards their Jemmies or Proprietors of the land.

7 Amboo's immediate Predecessor in the Tahsildar of Calicut a Brahmin by Caste invariably addressed the Zamorin Rajah as "Rajah" and never used the term "Samboorun" On his (Amboo) receiving accession to the Office he continued the form of address used by his Predecessor, but he has been used on the ground that "Samboorun" was due to the Zamorin from him a Soyan by Caste. As notice of the offence taken was given to his Official superior.

8. The term "Samboorun as above mentioned is not one connected

in

in any way with the titulary dignity of the Samorin or any other Rajahs of Malabar it is a personal term of address of servile classes to Brahmins Rajahs and even to Soodras in the position of Jenmy or Proprietor meaning "my Lord and master" or my "Divine disposer". There is no doubt that the form of address is usually employed and especially by Sers and slaves and that it will continue to be used by actual dependants towards the superior classes but it is not I think a very appropriate term for Government Officials in the changed condition of society now one which I should impose on these Officers.

9. A very large body of the intelligent and rising classes of the community of the lower orders among whom

whom of course are our public Officers of the Sayan and Mopla classes are pre-eminently have become justly impatient of the ban of servitude and the disabilities of Caste and they are seeking to be relieved from its badges and from forms of address and style of treatment which they feel to be personal insults and this is one. A British Officer perhaps naturally feels some sympathy with the spirit.

10 In a case of recent occurrence the Court of Sudr Udalut admitted an alteration to be made in a certain Proceedings in a Civil Case and sanctioned the use of the word "Samboorau" — The papers connected with that order are submitted with this letter the sanction no doubt was the colourable ground of this Action.

11 I venture to suggest that the conduct of the case before the Court of Sudr Udalut may be entrusted to an European Pleader I dont think that it

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it is one which can safely be left in Native hands.

12. It will be necessary now to move the Court of Sudr Udalut to call up the appeal suit No. now on the file of the Civil Court of Calicut which formed the subject of my former Communication for disposal at the same time with this. The points involved are the same and the Moofly Sudr Ameen's Decree is clearly not open to all exception which may be taken to the Decree of the Civil Judge

Dated 17th December 1857 No. 202

Calicut.....
8th February 1858 } I Signed W. Robinson
Acting Collector

x will follow 3/ P. S. A copy of the Decree is herewith forwarded. The time of appeal will expire on the 25th Instant but the Court will be moved for a respite of a month.

Signed W. Robinson
Acting Collector

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To

The Court of Sudr Udalut

The Appeal Petition of Oudan Amboo, Tahsildar of Calicut Defendant in O.S. No. 2 of 1856 and the file of the Civil Court of Calicut.

Dissatisfied with the Decree passed by the Civil Judge of Calicut under date the 11th October 1857 dismissing the suit filed against me by Manawer and Zamorin Rajah of Calicut and on his demise by his successor the present Zamorin Rajah under the above No. for 12,000 Rupees for injury to character and adjudging the whole of the Costs Amounting to Rupees 1327-4-2 to be borne by me. Beg to prefer an Appeal that the Costs may be adjudged to be borne by the Plaintiff the Rajah

I That the Original Plaintiff deceased after the suit was filed which being of a personal nature could not be revived with reference to C. O. Sudr Udalut dated 7th November 1819 and the precedent furnished by Decree of Sudr Udalut

in

in special Appeal No. 15 of 1824

2 That the lower Court proceeded with the Suit now purely hypothetical grounds & apart from the matter before it viz the Plaint. The Court overlooked that the suit was for personal injury & has proceeded to volunteer a decision and to entertain a supplemental Plaint. on the ground that similar Cause of Complaint might hereafter possibly be given at sometime or other to a certain other dignity who was no party to the original Suit & had suffered no injury of character.

3. That on the above grounds alone the suit ought to have been dismissed with Costs

4 That the Court found that the action could not be sustained on its merits thus virtually nonsuiting the Plaintiff the Costs of this litigious suit should therefore have been assessed on those bringing and reviving it

5 That the Court has assumed a position which does not belong to it. The Appellant was not subject to the censure of the lower Court in such matter. If the Zamorin of Calicut considered that he was demeaned

by a form of allusion to him in an official letter to a 3rd party a dependant of his, his proper redress was to have applied to Appellants official Superior and from him to the Government with whom alone lies the proper Jurisdiction in matters of official etiquette precedence and titulary address.

The original Plaintiff filed the suit out of pure spite without giving any notice to Appellants Official Superior and the supplemental Plaintiff likewise neglected to take this step when reviving the suit. That the Proceedings of the lower Court must have the effect of exposing Public officers as in this instance to vexation and litigious personal Suits brought on the most frivolous grounds.

6 That the Government has not laid down any particular form of address nor does the Law give the Plaintiff legal

legal titles to those claimed in this suit.

7 That the question abijoue is strictly a question of Caste The term Rajah is one of highest respect and it is the Plaintiff's proper titulary designation It is that invariably used by the British officers of Government by all Brahmins and higher Castes and by the Malabar Rajahs among themselves That a term by which they call themselves and apply among their equals and allow a thousands of others of other classes to use towards and of them Cannot be derogatory that the form of official address obtaining in the Appellants office to the time of his taking charge thereof was that now objected to a Brahmin having held the post till relieved by Appellant.

8 The term "Samboran" is a mere general term of servile address by

slaves and dependants to their proprietors of all classes or the address of a human to a divine being It is always omitted by the higher Castes and did not obtain in Appellants office when he received charge of it The objection of the Plaintiff rests simply and solely on the ground of Appellants Caste viz. that he is a Leam by caste and should use this servile terms of address.

9 That Appellant denies all malicious intent or that he took advantage of his official position to hurt the Zamorins feelings he continued the form of address of his immediate official Predecessor and he is prepared to use such terms of address as may be prescribed by the Government he serves even though it be the abjectly servile one of Samboran here contended for Appellant would only hope that these badges of servitude

servitude of "low caste" and of man wor-
ship may not be sanctioned by a British
Judicature

I Signed I W. Robinson
Acting Collector

Extract from the Proceedings of the Sudder
Udalut under date the 1st July 1853.

Read Miscellaneous Petition pre-
sented on the 25th April 1853 by T. Soroomul
Shanny Vakeel on behalf of Manooveerama-
Zamorin Rajah of the Hillals of Calicut.

1 The Petitioner, the Zamorin Rajah
Complains of disrespectful language in vio-
lation of existing usage employed by the
Defendant a Seear in his rejoinder in suit
No. 39 of 1851 on the file of the Moofly Sudr Ameen
Court of Calicut, in which the Petitioner is
Plaintiff.

2 He particularly instances the
Defendants employment towards him
of the word "Rajah" whereas "Samboo-

is the expression invariably made use
of by persons of Defendants Caste in re-
ference to the Petitioner.

3 The Civil Judge has required
that certain offensive expressions appea-
ring in the said Rejoinder should be
struck out but otherwise also what concerns
the dignity of the Petitioner and the usages
of Caste in Malabar he has declined
paying attention to the Petitioners remon-
strances.

4 That there are expressions thus
against usage in the Rejoinder in ques-
tion would seem to be the case from
the Proceedings of the Civil Judge of the 3d
September last wherein he observes that "it
would have been as well had the Petitioner
(Defendant) made use of the expressions
generally used by his Caste people."

5 The Court of Sudder Udalut
are of opinion that a party such as the Defen-
dant should not be allowed under the cover

of

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of pleadings in the Courts to employ language too
ard the Petitioner an individual who holds the high
est rank among the Hindoos of Malabar
having the direct tendency to wound his feelings
and lower him in the estimation of others and
they accordingly resolve to direct that the
Civil Judge will carefully revise the said
Rejoinder and have expunged therefrom
all terms not consonant to the position in
which the Defendants stands relatively to the
Petitioner.

Ordered that Extract from
these Proceedings be forwarded to the Civil
Judge of Calicut for his information and
guidance by Precept returnable within
X days from and after its receipt.

Ordered also that Extract from
these Proceedings be furnished to the Petition
ers Vakeel on his application

/True Extract/
/Signed/ J. A. Weddell
Ag. Sec. to the Govt.

/True Copy/
/Signed/ W. D. Cook
Civil Judge

/True Copy/
/Signed/ W. Robe
Acting Collr

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Decree of the Civil Court Zillah Calicut
O. S. No. 2 of 1856 on the file of the Civil Court.

Plaintiffs

1 Mana Virama Zamorin Rajah of Calicut (deceased) Supplemental

2 Mana Virama Rajah of Calicut Vakeel Shasow Putter

Versus

Defendants

Ondan Ambo Tahsildar of Calicut Vakeel Ambo Poodwall

1 The suit was instituted for the recovery of Rupees 12000 for damage sustained by Plaintiffs Sooroopan by Defendants having applied a misappropriate term to the Plaintiffs.

2 The Plaint sets forth that on the 6th June 1856 Defendant addressed a communication to Plaintiff Hariasten therein using the term "Rajah" instead of "Samboorian" that Triers should not use the term that the use of this is opposed to local usage and entails disrespect to the Sooroopan that a letter was addressed to the Defendant to know if he

he had used it from oversight to which he re-
plied on the 12th idem stating that he had
done so deliberately. Plaintiff therefore insti-
tuted this suit for damage.

3 Defendant answers objecting to
supplemental Plaintiff being allowed to re-
vive the suit and stating that by using the
term he meant no disrespect that it conveys
no disrespect and that he has often used it
on former occasions in official communica-
tions as generally done by Public officers of
the Nair and Tier caste.

4 Plaintiff replies urging that even
Nairs are precluded from using the term and
that the Collector has issued an order regu-
lating the use of appropriate terms in Public
Documents.

5 In his rejoinder the Defendant
denies his knowledge of any such order.

6 Points of proof recorded on the 7th
January 1857.

Plaintiff

To prove that by the Tahsildar addressing to him
a letter denominating him Rajah his station was
degraded

degraded.

Defendant

To disprove the Plaintiffs evidence in sup-
port of his point and prove that by addres-
sing the letters in his official capacity no de-
gradation was conveyed to the Plaintiffs station.

7 ..... Pishof Plaintiffs Documents

A Order from the Defendant to
the 1st Plaintiffs Karistan thereon using
the term "Rajah" dated 16th June 1856.

B Ditto from Ditto to Ditto
stating that the term "Rajah" was used
deliberately dated 12th June 1856.

C Esctract from the Proceedings
of Sudr Udalut conveying their opinion on
the use of the terms "Rajah" dated 1st July 1853

D Ditto from Ditto on the same
subject dated 12th September 1853.

E Copy of an order issued by the
Principal Collector of Malabar to the
Calicut Tahsildar enjoining conformity
with the local usages in their official
communication

communication dated 23d/3 Imakarom 999 / February 1824

F Order from the Zillah Court of Malabar to the Calicut Moonsiff directing the Moonsiff in joining notices &c. to the Zemorin to use such term towards him as they would do if addressing him in their private capacity dated 4th/16 Koombhom 1017 / February 1842

G An official letter from a late Nair Tahsildar of Calicut to the Zamorins Hariasten using the term "Samboorain" dated 1st/13th Magarom 1011 / Jany. 1836

H A similar letter from a late Nair Tahsildar of Ernaad dated 30th/11th Kumy 1011 / October 1838.

I Ditto from the Plaintiffs 2d witness to the Zamorins Hariasten dated 29/9th Medom 1020 / May 1845

J Ditto Ditto from a late Nair Tahsildar of Calicut to ditto dated 7th March 1848.

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K A similar letter from a late Nair Tahsildar of Nedunganaad dated 6th/19th Dhanoo 1029 / December 1853

L Ditto from Plaintiffs 4th witness to the Zamorins Hariasten dated 12th/26 Markidagom 1025 / July 1850.

M Ditto from the present Nair Tahsildar of Wallowanaad to Ditto dated 2d/14th Shoolano 1025 / Octr. 1854.

N. Copy of the Decree in Suit No. 343 of 1852 passed by the late Acting Moonsiff of Cootnaad a Tier therein using the term "Samboorain" dated 29th September 1845.

O Copy of a deposition of a Tier Vakeel therein stating that Tiers should use the term Samboorain in addressing the Zamorin dated 25th October 1849.

8 List of Defendants Documents

I Attested Copy of a letter addressed by the late Collector to the Zamorin stating that he was of opinion that the term "Rajah" is not derogatory dated 25th November

November 1853.

II Ditto from the Collector to the Revenue Board stating that the term cannot be deemed derogatory dated 14th August 1856.

III An official original Urzee from a late Nair official to the Collector of Malabar therein using the term "Rajah" dated 4th Methoonoom 998 / 17th June 1813

IV A similar document from Ditto to Head Assistant Collector dated 26th Meenoom 1010 / 11th April 1835

V Ditto from Ditto to an Adigary dated 2nd Dhanoo 1013 / 15 December 1837.

VI An attested Copy of an Official letter from a late Nair official to a Rajah's Kariasten thereon using the terms Rajah dated 6th Thoolam 1011 / 20 Octr 1838

VII Ditto Ditto from Ditto to another

another late Nair official using the same term dated 21st June 1839

VIII An official original Urzee from a late Nair Tahsildar to the Collector therein using the term "Ranee" dated 30th Kunny 1116 / 15th Octr 1841

IX Ditto Ditto from another Nair to the Collector using the term "Rajah" dated 9th Meenoom 1016 / 13 March 1841

X Ditto Ditto from Ditto to Ditto to the same effect dated 29th Dhanoo 1017 / 11th Jany: 1842

XI Ditto letter from Ditto to the Calicut Talook Cutcherry to the same effect dated 28th November 1842.

XII Official urzee from a Nair Tahsildar to the Collector therein using the terms "Rajah" and "Ranee" dated 3d Thoolam 1019. / 17th Octr 1843

Official

XIII Official letter from a Nair Tahsildar to the Calicut Talook cutcherry using the term "Rajah" dated 27th August 1845.

XIV An original deposition of a Rajah given before a Nair Sub officer the term "Rajah" being used in the questions put to him dated 29 Medom 1021 / 10 May 1846

XV Original Urzee of a Nair Tahsildar to the Collector therein using the term "Rajah" dated 30 Medom 1021 / 11th May 1846

XVI Original letter from a Nair Tahsildar to the Palghaut Talook Cutcherry using the same term dated 25th May 1846

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XVII Original Official Report from another Nair Tahsildar to the Collector using the same term dated 20th June 1846

XVIII Ditto Ditto from Do to Do on the same subject dated 26th June 1846

XIX Original Official order from a Nair Tahsildar to a Nair Official using therein the term "Rajah" dated 14th / 27th Dhanoo 1023 / Decr 1847

XX Original Yadhast from the Head Moonshee of the Huzzoor, to the Calicut Tahsildar using the term Rajah dated 28th November 1848.

XXI Official Report from the Defendant when Police Ameen to the Collector using therein the same term dated 28th March 1854

XXII Original order from a Sirr Tahsildar to the Adighary using the same term dated 22d June 1855.

XXIII Attested Copy of an order from a Sirr Police Ameen of Calicut to a Nair using therein the same term dated 2d February 1856

XXIV Ditto from a Sirr Tahsildar to a Rajahs Karistan using therein the term "Rajah" dated 19th February 1856

XXV Ditto from a Sirr Police Ameen to a Rajahs Karistan using therein the term Rajahs dated 7th March 1856.

XXVI Original decision passed by a Sirr Tahsildar using therein the same term dated 27th April 1856.

XXVII Original letter from the said Rajah to the Head Assistant

Assistant Collector taking no exception to the term "Rajah" used in the above document (Ex 26) dated 8th / 22nd Chungem 1031. / August 1856

XXVIII Original official letter from a Nair Tahsildar to the Nedenganaad Saleek Cutchery using the term "Zamorin Rajah" dated 31st December 1844.

XXIX Original Official Urzee from a Nair Official to the Collector of Malabar using the term "Rajah" in addressing the Zamorin dated 20th September 1845.

XXX Ditto Ditto Report from a Nair Tahsildar to the Collector using the same term to the said Rajah dated 3rd Feby

XXXI Attested Copy of a reply from a Rajahs Karianstan Nair to an order issued by a Tiem Police Ameen dated 13th / 24th Magarum 1030 / January 1856

This was filed to prove that no exception was taken to the term Rajah used in the foregoing order

XXXII Ditto Ditto from a Rajahs Karianstan on the same subject dated 30th / 11 Kumbum 1031. / March 1856

XXXIII Copy of a Diary order from the Civil Court dated 14th October 1857.

XXXIV Rough Draft of an order issued by a Brahmin Tahsildar to the Zamorins Karianstan using the term Rajah dated 30th April 1853.

XXXV Ditto Ditto Ditto 11th May 1854

XXXVI Ditto Ditto Ditto 17th Ditto

4 List of Witnesses examined by Plaintiff.

1 Preemboy Cooyee Ameen 2 Allatha Kunnen 4 Nayadath Chungra Marar

10 List of Witnesses examined by Defendant

2 Rama Chundra Thumpity's son Mungee Thumpity 7 Kunatha chumbola Krishna Cooroop and 7 Karomanbeg Chungaren.

Judgment

11 On a preliminary hearing of the case on the 24 December 1856 the Court was of opinion that the term Rajah was used to the Head of the Stanom and as the Supplemental Plaintiff is the present Head of the Stanom it is right that he should be allowed to conduct the suit as if the matter was not decided the same term might be applied to him as to his predecessor. The Court therefore disposed of this preliminary point in Plaintiffs favor.

12. The Plaintiff, the Zamorin Rajah of Calicut pleads that the damage sustained by him at the hands of the Defendant The Tahsildar of Calicut is that the Defendant in his official Capacity addressed a letter to the Karianstan of the Kovilagom in which in mentioning the name of the Plaintiff he omitted to insert the word Tamburan "thus wilfully lowering the Plaintiff" in the eyes of the public by the omission of a word which local usage entitles him to receive from Nairs and Tiers and other classes of society Bramins excepted.

13 The Defendant pleads that the letter was an official one and addressed to the Karianstan and that the use of the word Tamburan was not necessary in a communication strictly official that he did not mean to convey any disrespect to the Plaintiff by the omission of the word.

14 The oral and documentary evidence adduced by the Plaintiff clearly proves that the Plaintiff

Plaintiff is by local usage and general practice always addressed by the title "Samboorum" save by Brahmins and that this honorary word has been and is used in all letters whether official or private directed to the Plaintiff Havilagom save those written by Brahmins This practice is not of recent origin but has been sanctioned by orders emanating both from the Sudr Adalut and the Collectors and the Defendant has not proved that it is the practice of the Circar authorities to omit the word whom writing to the Havilagom on official matters.

15 The omission of the word Samboorum has not entailed upon the Plaintiff any damages and the law requires that when the cause of action does not on the face of it import such defamation as will be actually injurious an action for damages cannot be sustained. In this case the Court does not find that the Plaintiff has suffered any loss or damage at the hands of the Defendant or that he has been in any way injuriously affected by the omission of the word Samborum.

16 But on the other hand the Defendant has failed to prove that the omission of the word was in accordance with practice and aware as Defendant was of the practice and of the position of the Plaintiff the Court must hold that Defendants act was a wilful and deliberate departure from local usage and the intent malicious, i.e. the act was done with the view to hurt the Plaintiffs feelings and to lower him in the estimation of the public so far that the Defendant took advantage of his official position to adapt a mode of address to the Havilagom, which he could not have used

used in his private capacity.

17. The Court does not view this case as a caste one nor will it base its Decree in any way upon such a view, but it holds that the Defendants object was to hurt the feelings of the Zamorin and in order to do so he took advantage of his Official situation to adopt an unusual mode of address while therefore the Court does not award to the Plaintiff any damages yet being of opinion that the Defendants conduct was wrong and that he was actuated by a malicious intent the Court in dismissing the claim for damages assesses the Defendant with all costs of Suit.

Costs

	Rupees	a.	p.
Stamp duty on institution under Section XIII Regulation XIII of 1816	330	"	"
Fee of Plaintiffs Pleader under Section XXV Regulation XIV of 1816	390	"	"

Fee

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Fee of Defendants Pleader under Section XXV Regulation XIV of 1816 ——— 390 " "

Value of Stamp Paper filed by Plaintiff 30 " "

Do Do by Defendant ——— 25 " "

Stamp duty on 15 Exhibits filed by Plaintiff ——— 30 " "

Ditto on 36 Ditto by Defendant ——— 72 " "

Expence for serving process on the part of Plaintiff ——— 3 11 6

Ditto Ditto on the part of Defendant ——— " 12 "

Stamp value of 3 Exhibits filed by Plaintiff ——— 3 8 "

Ditto Ditto of 9 ditto by Defendant ——— 5 8 "

Expense paid to one of Plaintiff's Witnesses ——— 26 7 8

Total Costs Rupees 132 8 2

Expense for serving process to be recovered from the Plaintiff ——— " 10 6

Expense

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Expense for serving process to be recovered from the Defendant ——— " 12 "

Given under my hand and the Seal of the Court this 11th October 1857

(Signed) H. D. Cook

Civil Judge

Exhibits 1 to 15 filed in Court.

Plaint 1. Plaintiffs Valvaluthnamah 1. Notice to Defendant 1. Defendants Valvaluthnamah 1. His answer 1. Plaintiffs reply 1. Defendants Rejoinder 1. Supplemental Plaint 1. Supplemental Plaintiffs Valvaluthnamah 1. Diary recorded on the preliminary hearing of the case 1. Points of proof 1. Miscellaneous Petition No 912 of 1856 1. Plaintiffs List of Witnesses 1. Ditto of Defendants ditto 1. Summons to Plaintiffs Witnesses 1. Ditto to Defendants ditto 1. Petitions for filing documents on the part of Plaintiff 9 His Documents 15. Petitions for filing Documents on behalf

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behalf of Defendant 29. His documents 36 Deposition of Plaintiff's Witnesses 3. Ditto of Defendants ditto 3 Dr. of Plaintiff's Wakeel 1. Ditto of Defendants ditto — Receipt granted by the Plaintiffs 2d Witness acknowledging the payment of his expenses 1 and — Decree 1-

Plaint filed — 25th June 1856
Pleadings closed 11th November "
Date of preliminary hearing — 24th Decr "
Ditto — Ditto on the merits of the Cause — 7th Janry: 1857
Subsequent ditto 10th July "
Ditto of 3d ditto 26th Augt "
Date of Decree 14th Octr "

Sealed and signed this 15th day of January 1858.

The period of preferring an Appeal from this Decree will expire on the 25th February 1858. Application for the execution of this Decree shall not be entertained after the lapse of 12 years unless sufficient Cause is shown for the delay as prescribed in clause 4th Section XXVIII Regulation II of 1802.

/ Signed H. D. Coote
Civil Judge

/ True Copy /
/ Signed W. Robinson
Acting Collector

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Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous letters and Statements-

M.Z. No. 496
From the Collector of Salem - Demand Collection and Balance Statement of Revenue for February 1858.

M.Z. No. 497
From the Collector of North Arcot - Demand Collection and Balance Statement of Revenue for February 1858.

M.Z. No. 495
From the Collector of Madras - Demand Collection and Balance Statement of Revenue for February 1858.

M.Z. No. 503
From the Collector of Chenglepat - Register of Petitions referred by the Board of Revenue for disposal for February 1858.

M.Z. No. 502
From the Collector of Trichinopoly - Register of Petitions referred by the Board of Revenue for disposal for February 1858.

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M.Z. No. 502.
From the Coll.r of Tinnevelly - Register of Petitions referred by the Board of Revenue for Disposal for January 1858.

M.Z. No. 501
From the Collector of Chingleput - Season Report for 2d half of February 1858.

M.Z. No. 499.
From the Collector of Nellore - Season Report for 2d half of February 1858.

M.Z. No. 500
From the Coll.r of Trichinopoly Season Report for 2d half of February 1858.

M.Z. No. 498
From the Collector of Madura - Season Report for 2d half of February 1858.

M.Z. No. 505
From the Collector of Salem - Forwarding Accountant Gen.l Bill for 13 Rupees -

M.Z. No. 506.
From the Collector of Nellore - Forwarding Accountant Generals Bill for 13 Rupees -

M.Z. No. 508.
From the Collector of North Arcot - Rain Report for February

M.Z. No. 507
From the Coll.r of Trichinopoly - Rain Report for February 1858.

M.Z. No. 509
From the Coll.r of Rajahmundry - Statement of the Quantity of Salt available for exportation to Calcutta on 1st March 1858.

M.Z. No. 511.
From the Coll.r of Chingleput - Statement of the Quantity of Salt available for exportation to Calcutta on 1st March 1858.

M.Z. No. 510.
From the Coll.r of Madras - Statement of the Quantity of Salt available for exportation to Calcutta 28 February 1858

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Tuesday the 9th March 1858.

B.R. No. 964.
From the Chief Secretary to Government } Read the following Papers received from Govt. & bound in a Separate Vol.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Financial Railway Department dated 22d February 1858.

Sanctioning the compensation paid by the Collector of Coimbatore during the last quarter of 1857 to the proprietors of lands &c taken up by the Railway in his District, amounting to Rs 750-3-11 } See No. 106. in Seperate Volume.

B.R. No. 933
From the Sec.y to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 27th February 1858.

Sanctioning Rupees 369-4-3. the amount of actual charges incurred in Vizagapatam on account of additional Gomastahs employed for arranging the records from May 1855 to April 1856. } See No. 265. in Seperate Volume.

B.R. No. 996.
From the Sec.y to Government } Extract from the Minutes of

of Consultation Revenue Department dated 2d March 1858.

Directing the Board to instruct the Collector of Sea Customs to pass free of duty, a case of Belts imported for the use of the Karnool Irregular Horse - - - - -

See No. 271. in seperate Volume.

Read also the following Papers.

To. No. 36.

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

B. No. 1055.

From the Collector of Nellore.

Sir,

With reference to the Circular Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue under date the 15th January, 1858, calling for a report on the new rule referred to in Extract Minutes of Consultation under date the 4th Idem. I have the honor to state that the Rule in question, directing that whenever the attendance of Police servants is required in Criminal cases before the Police, the Summons should be served direct on such servants, without previous reference to their Official Superior, has now been in operation rather

Foujdaree Undated Circular Order No. 215.

rather more than a year. No practical inconvenience has been hitherto experienced in the Revenue Department, nor is such likely to be the case while the Revenue and Police functions are united.

2. Were this not the case, I consider that inconvenience might be experienced during the time of the annual Settlement, when in some cases the Revenue servants cannot well be immediately spared from the duties they are engaged on.

3. In these cases sufficient time should be given in the summons, to allow of an application being sent by the Head of the Office for an extension of the period mentioned, when such may be necessary on Public grounds.

Nellore - Collector's Office. 5th March 1858.

/Signed/ F. B. Elton.
Collector.

B. No. 4667.

From Bellary. 24th 19th November 1857.

Read, Exhibition Prizes.

No.

B.R. No. 546.

From Bellary
Dt. 27th January, 1858. } Read, Agricultural Exhibition.

No. 17

To,

G. S. Forbes Esqr.

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

B.R. No. 692.

From the Collector of Bellary. }

Sir,

1. In continuation of my letter of 2nd Ultimo. I have the honor to inform you that I have received Estimates from the District Engineer for improving the Ferries on the Tombadra at the following Ghauts, Viz.

Kumply	2791.
Hurlahully	1600
Bagewady	1810
Sovenhully	555.
Nowly	230.
in addition to Kumpasagur	1710
already reported in all	8696.

I propose to put some of these in hand at once as far as the funds will allow, with the Board's permission But there is also a few miles of Road leading to Kumpasagur which have not been completed

completed, and I shall request the Engineer to complete this in conjunction with Kumpasagur Ferry first, but the exact amount required for it I do not yet know.

2. There is also a bridge near Motkah on the Bellary and Adoor line for which an Estimate of 5186 — — Rs. has been submitted to the Chief Engineer, and which is very much required. The Chief Engineer has suggested this being done out of the Road Fund, but there is none available, and I propose doing it with the Ferry Fund.

3. My Plan is therefore

1st. To complete the Kumpasaugur Ferry, and the road leading to it, and to build a Choultry there also.

2nd. To build the bridge at Motkah.

3rd. To complete the Cumply Ferry.

4th. the Bagwady Sovanhully and Hurlahully and Nowly Ferries or any others that the Engineer may send in estimates for, or for roads in connection with them.

4. I trust the Board will approve of the proposed Measures and give me authority

to

to carry them out in conjunction with the Engineer as far as the Funds now in hand, and those for the current year accumulating, will permit, and I request I may be favoured with early orders of the Board.

Bellary District—
Collector's Office.
Anampoor 5th February, 1858.

/Signed/ C. Pelly.
Collector.

No. 14.

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

Sir,

B. No. 419.
From the Collector of N. Arcot.

I have the honor to submit the information called for in para 1. Extract Proceedings of the Board of Revenue No. 4211 dated 26th November 1857.

When Dummakartahs were first appointed in 1842, the nomination to the trusteeship of the Tiruvallum Pagodah was submitted for the approval of the Board, no private person is competent and unless to make sufficient provision for the main-

to the trust and management, and the Collector as the local agent has proposed for the approval of the Board, the person chosen by the inhabitants of the place, who is reported fit for the office.

2. I am aware that it is the desire of Government that interference should be exercised as seldom as possible in such matters, but as long as payments are made, as in the present instance, from the Collector's Treasury for the support of a Pagoda, it seems necessary in order to ensure the respectability of the parties who are to be empowered to receive the money, that these questions should be referred to the Board for their approval, in accordance with their Circular orders of the 23d September 1852 Note 2 pages 84 and 85 Vol. II.

3. No charge of having abused his trust is brought against the present trustee, His removal is rendered necessary by the infirmities consequent on advanced years, which disqualify him for being the

the recipient of the money paid out of the Government Treasury. Mr. Rochin, the late Head Assistant reported his unfitness, which he had ascertained by a personal interview.

North Arcot Coll.r's Circuit Kutcheery Cantoor in the Cavalry Lines, 21st January 58.

/Signed/ C. Whittinghame
Collector.

No. 11.

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

B.R. No. 358.

From the Actg. Collector of Madura.

Sir,

With reference to para 4 of an Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated the 22d Ultimo. I have the honor to forward a copy of a letter from the Acting Sub Collector which appears to afford all the information upon the subject that is obtainable. A copy of the plan of the ground alluded to therein, accompanies.

Madura 16th January 1858.

/Signed/ A. Hathaway.
Actg Collector.

Enclosure 1.

To,
A. Hathaway Esqre
Actg. Collector of Madura.

Sir,

Adverting to para 9 Extract Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 12th October 1857 instructing me to make a personal examination into an alleged encroachment on certain Salt-petre Chittoas in Balasamoodrum by one Palaney-andy Manickaren of that place, which forms the subject of two Petitions addressed to the Board Nos. 1706 & 1802 of 1857, on which a correspondence has already taken place, and report the result. I have the honor to state that under the circumstances I deemed it advisable to visit the scene of the dispute and went to Palney last week accordingly for the purpose.

2. The annexed sketch map is one sent me with the Proceedings of the Head of Police. It is tolerably correct.

3. Palaneyandy Manickaren has, as already reported, merely taken the earth from a piece of ground adjoining his garden

garden and formed there with a bank to protect it, as he explains, from inundation, to which it is liable in the rainy season, when the water collecting in the plain to the south flows by it towards the Tank in the direction indicated in the map by the part colored green. The ground itself he has not occupied.

4. The earth has been excavated to the depth of about one foot. The complainants affirm that the ground was occupied by saltpetre thittos and that these Palaney-andy-Maniakaren destroyed.

5. I doubt this statement and my opinion is formed from the allegations of the parties interested on the side of complainants, one of whom declares that two thittos were destroyed, while another deposes that there were three and others again that there were four.

6 I am further disposed to disbelieve from the fact that a thittos is on the ground as I ascertained by measurement 18 feet in diameter and that one could not at all events therefore have stood on the North end of the ground excavated, which is only 14 feet wide.

7. Again it appears to me that Palaney andy Monea Karen would not have gone to the expense of raising a bank without adequate object and that that object was otherwise than he states, I hesitate to believe, because, his garden is amply protected from trespass by a thick and strong milk hedge.

8. Lastly, it hardly seems probable that in the absence of enmity or some other strong motive, Palaney andy Monea Karen would have wilfully destroyed any thittos. Enmity is not even alleged. Any other motive I fail to discover, for, the bank could, as well and with as little difficulty or expense, have been constructed of earth taken from the side of the excavation towards the south which is unoccupied, or the excavation being at an angle from the Northern side of the garden, which is equally void of thittos as from the

the ground under report.

9. The excavation is pooramboke. The land on which the thuttoos are, as well as that intervening between them and the Village, and the land without the watershead of the Tanks is also pooramboke.

10. Having thus replied to the questions I am instructed to answer, it will be proper for me perhaps to describe what a salt-petre thuttoo is in this District and how it is fed.

11. A thuttoo is a mound of earth, on the top of which is dug a funnel shaped pit, narrower at the bottom than at the top. The sides are cemented with clay and kankar so as to render them as impervious to moisture as possible. In the bottom is fixed a pipe running laterally to the exterior of the mound.

12. The Salt-petre is manufactured in this wise. In the funnel is placed earth containing the salt, upon which water is poured. The water in percolating the earth absorbs the saline particles and runs off into a chatty placed

at the mouth of the pipe to receive it. It is then evaporated and the salt is in a merchandizable state.

13 Earth impregnated with salt-petre is not universal in the Poorumboke in which the Thuttoos stand. It is found only in patches and casually and its existence I am told depends upon circumstances of rain &c. The salt is obtained in greater quantity from mud walls and heaps of refuse long exposed to the atmosphere on which it assumes the form of an efflorescence and being scraped off is separated from the adhering particles of earth by the process described. The Coppiliens in fact as far as I could learn collect the salt petre earth not from fixed spots but whenever its presence is discernable, chiefly as I have said from the walls of buildings and the foundations of decayed habitations.

14 I enclose the records relating to the enquiry made by the Head of Police as well as the depositions* taken by myself and beg you will be so good as to return them to this office

* 6 in number

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office when no longer required.

Allinagurum Dindigul
7th January 1838

/Signed/ J R Cockerell
Ag Sub Collector

/True Copy/
/Signed/ A Hathaway
Ag Collector

Enc 2 Plans

No 40

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

Sir,

8d No 667
From the Acting Collr of Madura

With reference to my letter of yesterday's date No 35 I have the honor to bring to the notice of the Board that an error has been inadvertently made in the calculation of the proposed staff for superintending labor on the roads.

2 I only purposed to have one Superintendent to over look the five roads thus the expense of the executive employed will be 50-8 instead of 92-8 as

Madura
3rd February 1838

/Signed/ A Hathaway
Ag Collr

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No 67

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

Sir,

8d No 1049
From the Ag
Collr of Madura

In forwarding copy a correspondence with the Acting Sub Collector

† From Ag Sub Collr 25th Jany 1838 No 30-
To Do 2d February No 130
From Do 15th Do No 41

I have the honor to request the permission of the Board for Granting remission for withered dry crop, in consideration of the disastrous effects of the season of Fusly 1267. Without this relief, it is apprehended that the Ryots for the most part would be both disinclined and unable to undertake cultivation for the ensuing Fusly.

2 I agree with the Acting Sub Collr in his remarks (vide para 8) as to the kind of crop for which remission should be given but considering that the course proposed by him for regulating the remission is likely to give rise to complaints of difference, and cause much labour at the

the settlement. I would recommend that the proportion to be remitted should be uniformly 1/4 of the tax of the land of which the crop may be ascertained to have failed.

Madura 3d March 1838 } [Signed] A Hathaway
AJ Collector

Encl
No 30

To
A Hathaway Esqre
AJ Collector of Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to request your direction with regard to the Shavee or withered crops in the Sub division for this Fusly.

2 The rules of the Hookoommamah provide for remission on Punjah crops not attaining perfection through failure of water when the crop gathered does not exceed 30 measures per Cawny. It is then entered under the head of "Mamool Shavy and remission is allowed as if it were total Shavee. Then the

Nemuk Kapeer being taken into consideration the total demand on the Ryots is calculated.

3 Had this been an ordinary season, the customary rules would have been followed without reporting to you on the subject but as you are well aware such is not the case and therefore I have the honor to offer the following suggestions and remarks.-

4 The limit at which the Mamulty Shavee is fixed viz 30 measures a Cawny and being the same for all lands Good or bad acts most unequally some wet land in the Sub Division is rated as high as 30 Fanams a Gooly or about 67 Fanams a Cawny some again as low as 5 Fanams per Gooly or about 11 Fanams per Cawny. The highest land gives about 14 Cullums per Gooly or about 27 Cullums a Cawny and the lowest gives about 2½ Cullums the Gooly or about 5½ per Cawny so that in the poorer land unless the cultivators received more than 1/11 of his full crop

crop he obtains full remission, whereas in the highly assessed land the cultivator must pay full tase, if the crop is above 1/54 of a fair crop.

5 The form for Shauee account received from the Board of Revenue has columns for 1/4 and 3/4 Shauee and this is the system practiced in Tanjore and Tinnevelly if the crop is estimated to be under 3/4 of the usual crop 3/4 of the Teeruva is levied under 1/2 1/2 Teeruva under 1/4 a 1/4 above the 3/4 full tase per The number of Canams per Gooly or per Cawny show how many Cullums a full crop is considered to be. This would not only give the necessary relief in this lamentable season but would also prevent the great temptation to fraud existing from the present order by which a cultivator either pays his full tase or none at all, and the practice working of it is not more difficult than all rules of remission must be as I know by personal experience.

6 Should you agree with me regarding the calculation of Shauee for this season I should then propose that the Nirnuk Kapeer might be calculated as usual, but should you determine to adhere to the ordinary custom obtaining in the District, I should suggest that the Nirnuk Kapeer should not be taken into accounts as the prices are out of all precedent high and the Ryots have no Poonjah to make up for their loss on Nunjah besides which they have lost their cattle also in great number and are in a horribly distressed condition.

7 I shall also be obliged if you will inform me whether you propose any measure with regard to the destruction of the dry crops.

Dindigul .... 26th January 1838

Signed/ T S Child
Ag Sub Collector

No 130

To
The Ag Sub Collector
Dindigul

Sir,

In reference to your letter of the 26th

26th ultimo I have the honor to observe that the utmost limit to which remission is generally granted in the Pt Division for Manipedy Shavee is 6 Mucals or 36 Measures a Cawny.-

I do not find any Columns in the Forms to Shavee 1/4. 1/2 3/4 Shavee referred to at the beginning of para 5- of your letter As regards the Nunkkajoin I beg to refer you to the Proceedings of the Board under date the 16th March 1854 from which you will perceive that the same is not to be charged invariably on all - you can use your discretion in granting remissions whether in full or partially as the circumstances of a Village in General or individually may require.-

The standing orders do not permit any remission for dry crops withered but if you think the indulgence indispensable for the year you will inform me what steps you purpose taking to obtain a correct return of the withered crops as it is now too late to effect an inspection of the lands I shall then if necessary lay the matter before

the Board for orders you will find in the Report on the settlement of Fusly 1246 and the Boards Proceedings received thereon that remissions were granted in that Fusly as a special case.

Madura 2d February 1838

/Signed/ A Hathaway
Ag Collector

No 41

To

A Hathaway Esqre
Ag Collr of Madura

Sir,

In reference to your letter of the 2d instant replying to mine of the 20 ultimo regarding proposed remissions on Poonjah cultivation I have the honor to remark that I am aware that the standing orders do not allow of remissions on Poonjah though such relief is occasionally given in seasons like the present when the people are suffering equally from drought, sickness and murrain.

2 My object in writing to you for instructions was that there should be no difference in the relief or system of relief offered but that the Principal and

and Sub Divisions should each be treated alike for, this has not always been the case and the Board of Revenue have always expressed their objection to such want of uniformity of practice.

3 That some relief is necessary I think it needless to urge as I am sure you must be as fully aware of that fact as myself and I will therefore state simply the measure of relief I propose.

4 When the Ryot applying for remission on the Poonjah has no land but such Poonjah and his entire Puttah does not exceed 10 Rupees I would grant him if necessary full remission should his Puttah be between Rupees 10 and 15 I would Grant him half remission and when from Rupees 15 to 30 I would Grant a quarter remission.

5 This I think would give relief to those who from their poverty most require it for the principle of enquiring simply of the Head man and others whether such a man be able to pay or not I think objectionable and though very possibly some of those who

who have but little land may be better off than those with more, such cannot be the General rule, and it is useless attempting to meet individual cases, and therefore I do not think that such Ryots as hold Puttahs for more than 30 Rupees even if all Poonjah and all withered ought to be in such necessitous circumstances as to require relief.

6 Should the Ryot possess Garden land including of course the Gardens paying Poonjah tax in no case should remission be granted for the value of the crop from them will in such a dear season fully cover any loss they are likely to sustain from the Poonjah being withered and in this Government will receive back again considerable benefit from the just principles on which well cultivation has of late been encouraged and extended.

7 Where the Ryots have Sunjah as well as Poonjah in such cases only in which the Sunjah is also destroyed would I allow remissions on Poonjah within the same limit

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limits as where the Puttahs are wholly for Poonjah, where the Nunjah has come to fruit there I would not Grant any remission on the Poonjah.

8 To meet the difficulty of the impossibility of inspecting the crops I propose that where the crops cultivated have been Cholum or Dulse or Cotton &c a no remission shall be given as though these crops may not have been in any way Good yet they have hardly any where totally failed, but where the crops entered are Cumboo, Saumy, Timul Varagoo, Raghy and Woodrana lee these only shall remission be granted on such enquiry as can be made in the Talook and at the Summa Cundy for these nine crops have nearly universally failed and such as have not been destroyed form a very small crop

9 The nature of the crop sown can be without difficulty ascertained by the Village Curnums accounts which being entered on printed papers sent from the Hoozoor are not liable to be falsified

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10 Though this is the principle on which I propose regulating the demands for Poonjah there may of course be exceptional cases which it is impossible beforehand to provide for.—

Directed
15th February
1858.

(Signed) F. S. Child
Ag Sub Collector

(True Copy)
(Signed) A. Hathaway
Acting Collector

Tahsildar

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Tabular Report on the lapsed Jeomiam reference to the order of

in the District of Tinnevelly for 1858 prepared with the Board of Revenue dated 12th March 1857.

Case Number	Taluk and Village and Extent and value of the Entire Inam.	When and by whom granted and name of the original Grantee Summuds or other Documents in support of the Grant.	Nature of the Grant or Service or Service and of the duty prescribed by the Grant.	Name of the last holder by right of Grant if dead the date of his death.	If family left by the deceased and name & age of the parties their circumstances and the means of subsistance professed by them.	Recommendation of the Collector and the Grounds on which it is made.	Recommendation of the Board of Revenue	Decision of Government
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Cuskal	This Jeomiah in Tinnevelly was originally in the Pot granted to Kambalum one Shaik Taloor Jaheed by Nabob Mahomed Ally Khan under a purwanah bearing date the 2nd Jumadthillavel of Hyzarey 1st out of the Sayer Jamd in Mr Cotton's Register of Jeomiah Talooks Page 1228. this Grant stands entered in Rs. 95-7-0 per Annum	In the Purwanah referred to in the preceding Column and in Mr Cotton's letter of Jeomiahs the nature of the duty prescribed by the Grant is stated to be for lighting lamps Viz in Apanor the Car in Tinnevelly and the Statement which accompanied the Collectors letter to the Board of Revenue bearing date	Mesme Uz Khan Hoossaine Grand Son of the Shaik Taloor Jaheed on the 1st Shaban 1251 F. Vide Mesme Uz Khan Hoossaine Grand Son of the Shaik Taloor Jaheed on the 1st Shaban 1251 F.		Ullisha Hoossaine Elder Son of the deceased aged 20 years Thowsah Hoossaine Youngest Son of do aged 9 months. Jumsha Eldest Daughter of do aged 16 years Summsah Youngest daughter of deceased 12 years. The Talookdar reports that 11 Annas and 5 Pie Annas,	Recommendation of the Collector and the Grounds on which it is made.	This allowance of Rupees 95-7-0 was last sanctioned by Government under date the 21st February 1846 after the death of Seathomed Sah the Son of the original grantee the allowance was continued to his Son Meeralla Hoossaine the last holder in January 1854 who having died on the 1st December 1857 as stated in Column 6 his Eldest Son Ullisha Hoossaine is reported by the Talookdar to be performing the Service prescribed by the grant. The Board in their order of	Recommendation of the Board of Revenue	Decision of Government

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Claim Number	Taluk and Village Extent and Value of the entire Estate	When and by whom granted Name of the original Grantee Sunnuds or other Documents in support of the Grant	Nature of the Grant Charity or Service if Service nature of the duty prescribed by the Grant	Name of the Shareholder last holden by the deceased and the relation which he stood to the Grantee	Family left by the deceased and Name and age of the parties their circumstances and the means of Subsistance possessed by them.	Recommendation of the Collector of the Board of Revenue	Decision of Government
1	2	3	4	5	7	8	9 10

No 5 in the name of Mahomed Shah Son of the original Grantee

dated the 4th August 1856

This Grant is hereditary under the head of "Service."

of wet land which the deceased had in his enjoyment was mortgaged by him while he was able

order of 20th January 1848 passed on the report of the Lapse of a Viswanath of the above item reported to observed that it was not necessary to report such lapses, as the allowance was payable in the name of any individual but in that of the Institution and as the death of the Superintendant cannot affect in any manner that the Collector has the power of disbursing the allowance to any party who may be recognized as the Successor of the deceased. The Board in their Circular Letter of the 12th March 1857 No 755 ordered that no Ready Money allowances should be continued on the occurrence of lapses without the previous Sanction of Government being obtained.

Under the foregoing circumstances, the Collector has recommended that the Annual Cowle be ordered to be continued to Allasah Hoojanee the Eldest Son of the deceased who is Able to perform the prescribed Service.

(Signed) J Sulivan
Collector

Tinnevelly 16th February 1858.

No. 504

To The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St George

Sir,

Bd No. 704
From Prin.l Commissary of Ordnance

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extract from the Proceedings of the Revenue Board No. 537 dated 4th February 1858 and in reply to inform you that no Cylinder of an Autographic Press has been received in this Arsenal for repair.

Arsenal
Fort St George
10th February 1858.

(Signed) P. Hammond Colonel
Prin.l Commissary of Ordnance

Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous Letters and Statements.

MS No. 515.
From the Collector of Chingleput. Return of Persons charged with offences under Regulation IX of 1822 for January 1858.

MS No. 516.
From the Collr of North Arcot. Return of Persons charged with offences under Regulation IX of 1822 for January 1858.

MS No. 517.
From the Collr of North Arcot. Return of Village Officers

reported in Section VII Regulation VI 1832 for January 1858.

MS No. 518.
From the Collector of Trichinopoly. Return of Fines imposed and Stoppages made from the pay of Public Servants for the 4th Quarter of 1857.

MS No. 519.
From the Collector of Trichinopoly. Return of Public Servants suspended or dismissed for the last Quarter of 1857.

MS No. 524
From the Collector of Vizagapatam. Demand Collection and Balance Statement of Revenue for January 1858.

MS No. 528.
From the Collector of Rajahmundry. Demand Collection and Balance Statement of Revenue for January 1858.

MS No. 529.
From the Collector of Masulipatam. Demand Collection and Balance Statement of Revenue for January 1858.

MS No. 530.
From the Collector of Nellore. Demand Collection and Balance Statement of Revenue for January 1858.

MS No. 531.
From the Collector of Bellary. Demand Collection and Balance Statement of Revenue for January 1858.

MS No. 532
From the Collector of Cuddapah. Demand Collection and Balance Statement of Revenue for January 1858.

Mr No 514
From the Collector of Madura. Reports that there are no returns for Salt and goods confiscation and Bullion Exportation for February 1858.

Mr No 513
From the Collector of Chingleput. Bullion Statement for February 1858.

Mr No 512
From the Collector of Chingleput. Average Bazar price of Grain for January 1858.

Mr No 520
From the Collector of Rajahmundry. Reports of High water in the Godavery for February 1858.

Mr No 521
From the Collector of Chingleput. Acknowledges receipt of the Blank forms of Steam Examination Certificates.

Mr No 522
From the Collector of Cuddapah. Comparative Statement & Abstract charges of Fasly 1265 of Fasly 1266.

Mr No 523
From the Collector of Cuddapah. Comparative Statement Collection of Fasly 1265 and of Fasly

Mr No 526
From the Collector of Bellary. Season Report for half of February 1858.

Mr No 525
From the Collector of Malabar. Rain Report for January 1858.

Mr No 526
From the Collector of Kurnool. Forwarding a Bill for 13 Rupees being value of Certain Books.

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Wednesday the 10th March 1858.

Read the following Papers received from Government and bound in a separate Volume

Revenue Department

Official Memorandum

Bd No 525
From the Acting Secy to Government

The Acting Secretary to Government has the honor to forward to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue a Memo. shewing the apparent errors and irreconcilable differences in the Statements, comparative and otherwise submitted with the Board's report on the Settlement of Fusly 1265, and requests that the requisite explanation may be forwarded without delay as the disposal of the Settlement report is deferred pending a reply.

Fort St George
30th January 1858

(Signed) W. Forbes
Ag Secy to Government

Encl

Memorandum on the Statements which accompanied the Settlement Report for

for fusly 1265

Statement No 1

	No of Taloks	No of Stations
Bellary	8	4
Trichinopoly	6	— 4
Ganjam	5	----- 10
North Arcot	13	----- 14
Tanjore	16	----- 9
Salem	14	----- 16
Malabar	18	---- 17

This Settlement was conducted against the principles laid down in the Boards Circular order dated 22d November 1849.

Statement No 3

Showing the Ryots Holdings

No of the Coln	Totals As given by the Board	As obtained in this Office
3	12258067	12258073
5	14918340	14918337
21	1433173	1433174

No of Taloks in the last years Report	No in the present Report	This variation is not explained by the Board.

This as well as other Statements contained several Arithmetical mistakes which are caused by fractions being compounded but the difference in Col. 21 is very great apparently arising chiefly from the omission of a figure

Statement

Statement No 4

Showing the Cultivation and Settlement

Under the head Sundry items a sum of Rupees 7,559 is entered for Canara but the Statement B. from which the entry appears to have been made contains only Rupees 38868- This mistake runs through the whole Statement.

Statement No 5

Showing the Comparative Statement of Cultivation and Settlement.

Districts	entries for fusly 1264 entered in the Statement: Land	Assessment	entries according to No 11 of the last years report: Land	Assessment
1	2	3	4	5
	Acres	Rs	acres	Rs
Ganjam		382162		450854
Vizagapatam		149471		149401
Rajahmundry		1434308		1420056
Masulipatam		746360		756899
Bellary		2846458		2441183
Kurnool		672839		649611
North Arcot		1730860		1737018
South Arcot		2115434		2131704
Tanjore		4333633		4366475
Madura		1204650		1206934
Tinnevelly		2001507		2039570
Salem		1369426		1371227
Canara		2265521		2181913
Malabar		1659003		1639164
Madras		68447		68519
Total	1199866	32656479	1156924	32287032

The extent in this Statement is in Acres and the Extent in the last year Statement No 11 of the Cowle is in Cawnies and as this Cawnie is not fixed it is impossible to reduce it to Acres. The extent in this Statement is in Cawnies and as the extent in No 5 of this years report is in acres & Decimal it has been reduced to Acres.

The entries for the remaining Six Districts agree and so they are omitted

With the exception of Six Districts the entries for fusly 1264 entered in the Statement for the sake of comparison do not agree with those entered in Statement No 11 of the last year from which the figures appear to have been taken

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Statement No. 12

Showing the Demand from all Sources.

Districts	Entries for fusly 1264 as given in No. 12 of the present years report			according to Statement Nos 15 and 16 of last years report			
	Land	Motur pha	Extra Revenue and Interest	Land	Motur pha	Extra Revenue	
Ganjam	"	"	"	"	7703		The entries under the different heads of Land Motur pha and Extra Revenue for fusly 1264 entered in this Statement for the sake of comparison do not correspond with those in the last years report Statement
Rajahmundry	"	61560	"	"	57794	"	
Guntoor	"	"	"	"	4271		
Bellary	1949706	"	"	1947865	"	"	
North Arcot	1856070	"	"	1857320	"	"	
Trichinopoly	1243288	"	4126	244013	"	3401	
Salem	1779412	"	6757	1780059	"	6865	
Canara	1970909	"	"	1980315	"	"	
Madras	72761	"	"	90535	"	"	

The entries of the omitted Districts do not vary

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Statement No. 16

Showing the extent of Cultivation and average assessment.

Districts	Total as per Statement No. 5		Total as per Statement No. 16.		
	Land	assessment	Land	assessment	
Ganjam	164540	384918	215824	495593	
Vizagapatam	24438	149536	25458	154715	
Rajahmundry	446895	1445156	333010	1254352	
Cuddapah	1242471	2314801	1223418	2275493	The entries under the heads of Extent and assessment do not correspond with those in Statement No. 5 from which the figures seem to have been taken
Bellary	1680823	2353553	1574802	2432158	
Chinglepat	"	875373	"	884843	
North Arcot	429407	1854580	415013	1817658	
South Arcot	805155	2492651	601177	2604983	
Tanjore	"	4643541	"	4699197	
Trichinopoly	"	1276705	"	1572436	
Salem	"	1445633	"	1463943	

The figures of the remaining ten Districts correspond and so they are omitted

Statement No: 25 so far as it relates to Sevoy Summah.

Districts	Collections on account of arrears as per Statement No:19	Current Collections as per Statement No:17	Total	As given in State:ment No:25
1	2	3	4	5
Vizagapatam	235	7,060	7,295	7548
Rajahmundry	107	20,368	20,475	21,061
Masulipatam	6,368	18,353	23,721	26,539
Nellore	249	4,450	4,699	8186
Cuddapah	6,326	16,357	22,683	22,791
Bellary	1,943	8,390	10,333	10,849
Kurnool	269	2,480	2,749	2,930
Chingleput	212	3,781	3,993	4,018
North Arcot	1823	5,152	6,975	7,053
South Arcot	3,132	16,198	19,330	24,893
Tanjore	5350	38,428	43,778	39,827
Trichinopoly	184	5,519	5,703	5,714
Madura	118	11,841	11,959	12,200
Tinnevelly	"	12,625	12,625	12,849
Coimbatore	648	20,939	21,587	22,268
Salem	1028	6,193	7,221	8,082
Canara	5,731	120,394	126,125	126,439
Malabar	"	34,778	34,778	35,643
Madras	139	4,473	4,612	4,970

The figures for Ganjam and Guntoor correspond.

Statement No:17 shews the current collection and No:19 Collections on account of arrears The amount in Statement No:25 which shews the total collection including arrears should correspond with those in Statement No:19 when added to those in Statement No:17 as may be seen from the Statements in the margin that is not the case

Statement No: 26

Shews the charges during the Fusly. In the 2d Column of this Statement the Collections from all sources is entered to calculate per centage Column 13 of Statement No: 15 shews the collection from all sources and the figures entered in the 2d Column of Statement No: 26 agree as it ought with Column 13 of No: 25 with the exception of the two Districts named below.

Ganjam
Tinnevelly

(Signed) H. Forbes
Ag Secretary to Govt

Revenue Department.

B. No: 687
From the Ag Secy to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Under date the 18th Febewary 1858

Reviewing Mr H. Stokes Draft of an act for regulating the powers and duties of Revenue Officers, as submitted by the Board with their remarks and suggestions thereon

(See No: 173 in Separate Volume)

Extract

Revenue Department

B. No. 993.
From the Ag. Secretary to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 2d March 1858

Directing the resumption of a certain lapsed Enam in the District of Rajahmundry } See No. 276 in Separate Volume

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Revenue Department

B. No. 995
From the Ag. Secretary to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 2d March 1858

Stating that Government will not insist on the acting Collector of Masulipatam for hearing from all interference for the purpose of regulating the hire to be paid by Troops to cart man where his interference may seem absolutely necessary } See No. 276 in separate Volume

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Read also the following Papers

No. 199

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

B. No. 286
From the Ag. Collr. of Ganjam } Sir,

With reference to the endorsement of

on Petition No. 232 of 1854 I have the honor to report that by an old family agreement the Enam land in question was divided into 2 halves one was held by the party in Office the other by his two brothers. On a complaint in 1853 I being then Principal Assistant Collector in consideration of their long possession ordered this arrangement to stand during the lives of the present holders, at their deaths the land to lapse to the party doing the duty, they then appealed but in 1856 presented a razeenamah before Mr Foord and the land is still held in the proportions abovementioned. There seems to me therefore to be no necessity for further interference.

Ganjam District
Collector's Circuit
Office Berhampore
31st December 1857 } (Signed) W. Knox
Acting Collector

No. 25

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

B. No. 1026
From the Ag. Collr. of Ganjam } Sir

I very much regret that my

my very many other duties have prevent=
=ed my replying earlier to the Boards
Circular of the 12th November last No.
3913 on the question of allowing private
companies to undertake works of ir=
=rigation and navigation nor indeed
have I been able to give this very in=
=teresting and important subject the
attention it deserves I am fully aware
how very desirable it is to introduce
Capital into this Country and still
more to introduce private enterprise
to teach the natives that they must
not look to Government for every thing
and to shew what can be done by private
enterprise, but I fear there are very
great difficulties to be overcome
before the present enterprise
could be carried out.

2 In the first place
it appears to me if I understand
the scheme aright that Government
not only is called on to guarantee
the other party from all chance
of loss but also to forego its own
rights, if Government now improve
the irrigation of a District the
exctra assessment is so much profit

on the expenditure if the ryot pays
for water he will not be able to
pay extra cist. There would therefore
be no immediate benefit to Govern=
=ment. In parts again where wet
cultivation already existed there
would be little or no gain to the
water company and constant
quarrels as there works would na=
=turally tend to drain off the sur=
=plus water, They would naturally
endeavour to turn every nullah into
a feeder and the ryots as naturally
would oppose this and I think with
justice on their side. At present
it is no object to Government to in=
=terfere with these natural supplies
of water, as the more of them there are
the less Government is called on to do with
a water Company it would be just re=
=verse the greater the natural supply
the less the demand for their stores.

3 There is one point on which
the greatest care should be exercised
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it will not fail to be noticed that a season of drought will be one in which the operation of a water Company will be of the greatest consequence to the country and at the same time without due precaution the general scarcity will be their great harvest time. The managers of a great Company must look to profits the share holders will be far from the scene of distress and many a man will as one of a Company sanction measures he would not himself originate. It will be therefore very necessary to have a maximum price put on water, but even this can be evaded. The great power too of a Company controlling the great want of India water must not be overlooked in considering the checks to be put on against abuses much difference exists between a Company of this nature and a Railway Company the railway may be looked on as a luxury but water is an absolute necessity.

4 But tho' looking at these works

works chiefly for irrigation purposes I cannot support them when we turn to the large rivers there will be found I believe ample room for large expenditure and very large profits; let these be taken in hand and rendered navigable by anicuts and canals where needed, the tolls would bring in a handsome return and waters might be available for irrigation works, this should be sold to Government, and not to the ryot the amount of water passing through any regularly built head sluice is easily ascertained, and the water Company could afford to give it on better terms to the large purchaser than were it sold off in small quantities to particular villages.

5 I cannot speak with any certainty of the effects of irrigation on cotton little or none is grown in this District but my impression is that elsewhere it is irrigated tho' not to any great extent.

Ganjam District
Coll.rs Office Chetterpore
26th February 1858

Signed / W. Elmore
Asst. Collector

To.

No 153

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

Bc No 2518 Sir,
From the Asst Collr
of Guntoor } 1 I have the honor to
Reporting on Petition Nos 2889, 2955 of 1857 & 2532 of 1855.
Nos 2889 } of 1857
& 2955 }
" 2532 of 1855. return the three Petitions noted in the margin for

V. Singanna forwarded by the Collr for the Board's orders for investigation and report.

2 Petitioners claim the Enam lands in the occupancy of one V. Rogaveda charry who alleges fraudulent

Names of Villages	Occupied by Petitioner in Fasli	Occupied by Weighbarry's Karnams	Occupied by Mahomedans	Occupied by Shanars	Occupied by Pariahs	Total cultivation
	Cawnies Cawnies	Cawnies Cawnies	Cawnies Cawnies	Cawnies Cawnies	Cawnies Cawnies	Cawnies Cawnies
Pulicoor	6/10 9 19	1/2 9 19	1/16 9 19			1 6/10 32 38
Mannavaram	1/2 12 25	= 12 25	= 5 5			1 1/2 29 63
Nallamanda	1/2 5 4	= 5 4	1/2 5 5			1 1/2 15 13
Commanoor	1/2 5 4	= 5 4	= 5 4			1 1/2 15 12
Rachoor	= = =	= = =	1 12 24			1 12 24
Dochapudy	= = =	= = =	1 10 31			1 10 31
Nallavaram	= = =	= = =	= 5 5	1/2 5 5		1 5 5
Total	1 6/10 32 38	1 1/2 29 63	1 15/16 36 68	1/2 5 5		5 1/2 118 176

her absence from the village the matter being of a complicated nature

went a protracted examination by several Thasildars from 1840 but no final decision appears to have been passed.

3 The Enam lands involved in the dispute and occupied by either parties amount to 4 3/4 Coochels equivalent to about 88 acres in six villages.

4 The result of the examination shows that this Enam was originally acquired by one Vinjamoody Ramanoo-jacharry and enjoyed by him for many years. On his demise his sons Bhavana-charry and Vencatacharry succeeded to the Estate the latter died some years after leaving the Petitioner who is his Widow but without issue at this time a dispute occurred between the two as to the occupancy of the Enam when it was decided by a Punchayet that out of the 4 Coochels of land Bhavana charry and Petitioner were to hold two at the rate of one Coochel each that one Coochel was to be made over to his mother for her subsistence on whose death it was to be devided

Original quantity	4 3/4
Deduct	
Given over to one Narsimha-charry	1/2
Do to the Sister of Bhavana-charry	1/4
	3/4
Remainder	4

divided equally between them, and that the 1½ Coochel was also to be given to Petitioner, on condition that she was to adopt one of the three Sons of Bhavanacharry failing which it was to remain in his own occupancy. both parties agreed to these conditions and a deed on Stamp paper was executed to this effect in 1832 by Bhavanacharry in favor of the Petitioner which she still holds, and has produced at the time of investigation, and the genuineness of which does not admit of a doubt.

5 Petitioner was unable to act up to the terms of the agreement with reference to the adoption of one of Bhavanacharry's Sons, as two of them died shortly after the agreement and therefore 1½ Coochel of Enam fell to the share of the Petitioner and the other 2½ to that of her brother-in-law Bhavanacharry.

	Coochel
+ according to agreement	1
addition consequent on the demise Bhavanacharry's mother	½
	1½

6. On the demise of this individual the property devolved on his brother Venkatappacharry who died unmarried in 1839 leaving the Petitioner his

sole heiress to the whole Enam but she appears to have then been absent at Seringham.

7. At this interim, one Vyawoo Boghavanacharry the last of the brothers of the original Enamdar V. Ramanujacharry, represented to the former Collector that the deceased Venkatappacharry had no other heirs than himself, and that his name should be substituted for that of the deceased this request was complied with, and his name registered accordingly in the Enam accounts in October 1839; but in way following another individual V. Kistnamacharry a distant relation of the Petitioner appeared before the Collector and claimed the deceased's portion the Enam 2½ Coochels / on the ground that it was willed to him by the deceased this claim was investigated and the previous order cancelled in June 1840 upholding the former occupant in the enjoyment of the Enam the records of examination do not clearly show that V. Raghavacharry held the Enam at

at any time previously.

8 About the year 1842 V. Krishna-macharry gave up his claim in favor of Petitioner as appears from the Cowlna-mah executed by him, but Petitioner was not able to recover possession of the whole Inam V. Raghavacharry having been returned some of the lands in his own occupancy thro' the influence of the Village Officers.

9 The order regarding the cancelment of the previous registry was not, from the same cause fully carried out as some of the Inams still appear in the name of V. Raghavacharry.

10 There is no doubt that V Raghavacharry is a brother of the original Enamdar, but there were three other brothers besides himself.

11 It appears also that previous to the acquirement of the Inam by the original Enamdar V. Ramanujachary, his brother divided their patrimony, no portion of which was claimed by or given to him.

12 The several brothers being thus of

of a divided family, and the Inam itself having been acquired after the division of Property had taken place their claim to the Inam now in dispute cannot take precedence of that of the Petitioner who is more immediately connected with the deceased than the others admitting however for the sake of argument that it can. Raghavacharry cannot hold it to the exclusion of others whose sons have preferred compliments to that effect.

13 The other property left by deceased Venkatappalacharry has as a matter of course passed into the hands of the Petitioner and under these circumstances. I am of opinion that the Petitioner is entitled to hold possession of entire Inam, that on her demise it must either revert to Government or be equally divided between the 4 brothers of the original Enamdar should Government see fit to allow them to do so, and that V. Rangavacharry's improper occupancy of a portion of it for some years in defiance of orders to the contrary is not alone sufficient to permit the

the continuance of the same.

14 Petitioner has hitherto been unable to obtain redress no decision has hitherto been passed by the revenue authorities and the Courts are precluded from taking up cases of this character.

15 V. Raghavacharry is no more and his son has produced a Document alleged to have been executed by Petitioner making over the disputed portion of the Enam to his late Father, but Petitioner disclaims all Knowledge of it in fact the genuineness of this Document is open to strong suspicion because it is stated to have had its origin at a time when Petitioner was absent from the village and because the deceased Raghavacharry did not allude to it at all when he was examined several times before the Tahsildar.

16 The Original Summud and Doombalahs for some of the Enams in the name of the former Enamdar and his son, are in the possession of the Son of V. Raghavacharry, but from a document submitted by

by Petitioner at the time of investigation it appears that they were come by, by unfair means.

Guntoor 12th November 1857 — Collectors Office } Signed J R. R. Cotton, Acting Coll.r

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No 12

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

B.r No 578 From the Collector of Bellary. With reference to Board Secretary's letter of 7th December last, submits copy of an order of Govt. dated 23d June 1815 respecting a Pension to the family of late Govrapah Naick and quotes certain orders from Government declaring Poligar Pensions hereditary.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward copy of an order of Government dated 23d June 1815, granting a Pension to the family of Govrapah Naick, as requested in your letter of the 7th Ultimo. I have also the honor to mention that the dates of communications from Government to which I referred, as declaring that Pensions granted to the families of dispossessed Poligars, are "hereditary grants" are 17th October 1820 alluded to in the 3d para of the Board Secretary's letter to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 12th August 1824 and 11th May 1855 extracts from which I have the honor to annex as follows.

Extract from a letter from the Secretary

Secretary to the Board of Revenue to the Chief Secretary to Government dated 12th August 1824 N° 1381

From Mr Secretary Hill 17th October 1820

Para 3 The Government having already decided on a former occasion as to the hereditary nature of Pensions of this description, the Board beg leave to recommend that the present Pension of Pd 393 - 28 - 35 per mensem to be enjoyed by Veera VenKatapathy Raj the immediate and undoubted heir of the deceased and that for the present the receipt of Pompeapathy Raj the late Rajah's Deevan, and a relation of the family, be a sufficient acknowledgement, for the payment of the money

Extract from the orders of Government dated 11th May 1855 N° 574, annexed to Extract Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 28th May 1855.

N° 2. The Poligar Pension in the

From Board of Revenue 18th June 1827 N° 390.
To — Dº —— 10th Augt " N° 624.
From Dº —— 26th April 1830 N° 208.
To — Dº —— 11th May " N° 459.

ceded District being hereditary during good behaviour, to lineal descendants sanction is granted for the share in the money allowance and Inam, enjoyed by the late Rdd Rungapah

Rungapah Naidoo, amounting together to Rupees 635 - 13 - 4 per annum, being continued to his eldest son Chinnia condul Naidoo

Bellary District
Collector's Office, Worroova condah 27th January 1858

/Signed/ C. Pelly
Collector

To. The Collector of Bellary.

Sir.

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit for your information and guidance the annexed Copies of letters to the Judge and Magistrate in the Zillah of Bellary under dates the 25th June and 17th July last, respecting pension to the family of the late Goorupah Nair, and the allowances of the Assistant Surgeon attached to that Zillah.

Fort St George
1st September 1815

/Signed/ W. Hill
Secretary to Govt

To The Magistrate in the Zillah of Bellary.

Sir.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your Secretary's letter of the 8th instant and to

to state that, agreeably to your recommend-
-ation, the Right Honorable the Governor in
Council is pleased to grant an allow-
-ance of Eight pagodas per mensem
for the support of the family of the
late Gooruppah Nayr.

Fort St George
23d June 1815 } /Signed/ W. Hill
Secretary to Govt.

To. The Judge and Magistrate
Bellary.

Sir.

In reply to your letter of
the 23d May last, I am directed to in-
-form you that the Right Honorable
the Governor in Council grants the
usual vaccine allowances to Mr.
Assistant Surgeon M. Cashell in
charge of the Zillah of Bellary.

Fort St George
17th July 1815 } /Signed/ W. Hill
Secretary to Govt.

True Copies
/Signed/ W. Hill
Secretary to Govt.

True Copies
/Signed/ C. Pelly
Collector

No 6

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

B. No 529
From the Coll.r
of Cuddapah } Sir,

With reference to extract
minutes of consultation dated the 18th
November last No 1177 conveyed in
the Boards Proceedings under date the
26th Idem No 4183, I have the honor
to transmit herewith a Sketch
map of the three Talooks of Goot-
-rumcondah Muddenpully and
Rayachoty received this day shewing
the positions of their Cutcherys and a few large
Towns as required in Para 2 of the above Pro-
-ceedings.

Cuddapah District
Coll.rs office on Circuit
Camalapoor 26th January
1858 } /Signed/ M. Murray
Collector

/Enclosure/ sent separate/

No 38.

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

B. No 1042
From the Coll.r of
North Arcot } Sir,

With reference to the
leave of absence for one month
granted

granted to my Head Sheristadar Soobasinga Chettyar and published in the Official Gazette dated 5th Ultimo, I have the honor to forward Copy of a letter received from him dated 1st Instant requesting an extension of leave for 6 days. I beg to recommend his request for the favorable consideration of the Board.

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North Arcot
Collectors Cutcherry
Chittoor 4th March 1858

/Signed/ C. Whittinghame
Collector

Encl 1.

To C. Whittinghame Esqre.
Collector of North Arcot.

Sir,

I respectfully request you will be pleased to submit to the Board of Revenue this my application for an extension of the leave Granted to me on the 5th Ultimo for six days under section VII of the Uncovenanted servants absentee rules to enable me to attend to certain private affairs before I resume my duties.

Madras
1st March 1858

/Signed/ S. Soobasinga Chetty
Head Sheristadar

/True Copy/
/Signed/ C. Whittinghame
Collector

No. 22

To
J. S. Forbes Esqr.
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Bd. No. 707

From the Collector
of South Arcot

Boards No. 17 of 1858
Govt. No. 3084 of 57

Sir

In returning the accompanying Petition presented by Sungunimal widow of the late Moostadar of the 13 Villages composing the Vattavasum Estate in his District, I have the honor to state that as it appears from the Correspondence noted in the margin that the said property falls under the provisions of Regulation 25 of 1802 and not under those of Regulation 4 of 1831 as represented by the Petitioner, the authority of Government is not requested to enable her to prosecute her claim against the present Moostadar, if she wishes to do so.

1st Bd. to Govt 13th Augt 1832 para 3
2nd Govt 23rd Oct 1832
Minutes of Cons 6 May 1835.

South Arcot
Collectors Cutcherry
Cuddalore 9th February 1858

/Signed/ J. A. Taylor
Acting Collector

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

Bd. No. 664

From the Collr of
Trichinopoly.

Sir

No. 26

To J. S. Forbes, Esqr.

Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

Bd. No. 564
From the Collector
of Trichinopoly } Sir

I do myself the honor to submit for the consideration and orders of your Board, Copy of a letter received this day from the Superintending Engineer Southern Circle apprizing me the Chief Engineer's Opinion to be that before any remissions are granted for failure of Crops on lands irrigated in Landgoo-dy Tahuk the permission of the District Engineer should be obtained

2. I cannot advocate this transfer of my authority and discretion in Revenue matters to the Engineer Professional Officer. It appears to me both unnecessary and uncalled for. And I would submit. I am, as the Collector of this District as capable of being acquainted with the actual circumstances of each Village as the District Engineer

3. If such an arrangement as this be allowed, I contend it at once lays your Board's Control in the revenue administration of the Presidency and my authority and influence over the Ryots of the District. My position becomes a subordinate one to the District Engineer and I am no longer the

the head or Collector of a Province

4 This is a very adverse season And there will be much failure of Crops as well as distress among the Ryots and should the legitimate remissions be denied by the Civil Engineer I shall be placed in an anomalous position and there may be repetition of the difficulties of 1855.

Nicholl's letter to the Board dated 28th April 1858 No. 45

Trichinopoly Collr's Office 6th Feby 1858

Signed P. Bird
Collector

Encr. 1

No. 7125

To The Collector of
Trichinopoly

Sir Considering that the supply of water made to the Lands of Landgoody has for the past season been under the sole control of the District Engineer who must therefore be well acquainted with the actual circumstances of each Village in regard to sufficiency of irrigation or otherwise the Chief Engineer is of opinion that before any remissions are granted for failure of Crop for want of water the opinions of the Professional Officer should be obtained of the necessity for the indulgence

Central Office
P. W. Fort St. George
3d February 1858

Signed C. Lawford
Supg Engr S. Circle

True Copy
Signed P. Bird
Collector &c

Fort St. George 10th March 1858.

No. 40

To

J. S. Forbes, Esqr.

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St George

Bd. No. 1067.
From the Collector
of Trichinopoly

Sir,

As directed by your Circular No. 4476 of date the 15th December 1857, I do myself the honor to submit my observations on the Paper descriptive of what are supposed to be the weights and measures in use in the District of Trichinopoly.

2 I have carefully examined in conjunction with my Head Shereshtadar the paper in question, and I find it in the main to be correct. The only discrepancies Noticeable I beg to point out below.

Weights

3. It is stated that 8 Pollums or 25½ Tolas Equal one Cutcha Seer. This is not in use in the District. The Cutcha Seer is of 8 Pollums or 24 Tolas.

The Porto Novo Pagoda of 52½ Grains and the Star Pagoda of 52½ grains are not known now. The Pucka Seer of 27½ Pollums is only used at the Cutcha of Warriore. In all parts of the District and in Warriore Suburb. The Pucka

Fort St. George 10th March 1858.

Pucka Seer is of 25 Pollums. I do not think the Merchants buy by the Seer of 27½ Pollums and sell again by the Seer of 25 Pollums.

Grain Measure

4 The Entry that the Marcal of 375 Madras Measures is Equal to 216 Tolas weight is an Error. It should be Tolas 416.

It is also an error to say that 19/32 Pucka Seers = 1 Puddee. It should be 27/32. For the wet Talook.

Liquid Measure

5 Under this head the measure said to contain 2 Pollums or 3 Tolas is now found to be 6 Tolas. A Parah of Ghee is only 105 Seers. But a Parah of Oil is 120 Seers.

6 The List required by the 7th Para of your Circular is herewith transmitted.

Trichinapoly
Collrs Office
24 March 1858

[signature] Signed J. Bird
Collector

Enc. 1

List of weight and measures as also Land Measure known and used in the Trichinapoly District with the Name in the

Fort St. George 10th March 1858.

the Native Character

Liquid Measure

For Ghee

25 Pullums ⏑ 1 Madras Measure = 1 Seer ⏑ ⏑

3 85/100 Seers ——— " = 1 Sombor ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

4 Sombors ——— " = 1 Punnay ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

8 Punnays ——— " = 1 Podee ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

For Oils

25 Pullums ⏑ 1 Madras Measure = 1 Seer ⏑ ⏑

20 Seers ——— " = 1 Viss 2 ⏑ ⏑

5 Viss ——— " = 1 Podee ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

Grain Measure

120 Rupees weight ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ Madras Measure = 1 Puddy ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

4 Puddies ——— " = 1 Mercal ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

12 Mercals ——— " = 1 Cullum ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

8 Cullum ——— = 1 Garce ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

Weights

3 ⅌ Pagodas weight ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ Madras Measure = 1 Tola ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

3 Tolas ——— " = 1 Pullum ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

8 Pullums ——— " = 1 Cutcha Seer ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

3 ⅌ Cutcha Seers ——— " = 1 Pucka Seer ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

5 Cutcha Seers ——— = 1 Viss 2 ⏑ ⏑

8 Pucka Seers ——— " = 5 Do. ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

5 Viss ——— = 1 Toolam ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

8 Do. ——— = 1 Maund ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

20 Maunds ——— " = 1 Candy ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

Land Measure

441 Square feet ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ Madras Measure = 1 Goolie ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

44100 Sq. feet or 100 Goolies " = 1 Cawnie ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

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This measure is used in the Neerattumbum or wet Villages by a rod of 21 feet.

576 Square feet ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ Madras Measure = 1 Goolie ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

57,600 Square feet or 100 Goolies " = 1 Cawnie ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

This measure is used in the Kudarumbum or dry Villages by a Rod of 24 feet

25 600 Sq. ft. ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ Madras Measure = 1 Goolie ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

57,600 Sq. feet or 2¼ Goolies make = 1 Cawnie ⏑ ⏑ ⏑ ⏑

This measure is used in the Tulbood of Manufacture by a Chain 100 feet

Trichinopoly
Coll.rs Office
5th March 1858

Signed J. Bird
Collector

To

No. 13.

L. Forbes Esq.
Acting Sub. Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

Rd. No. 389
From the Ag. Coll.r of Madura

Dated 8 Jany 1858

Sir

With reference to the list of Petitions forwarded from your Office for December last, I have the honor to inform you that Petition No. 4086 therein inserted has not been received in my Office

I have &c.

Madura
18 January 1858.

Signed S. Hathaway
Ag. Collector

Fort St. George 10th March 1858

No. 25.

To,

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

Dt. No. 63
From the Sy. Collector
of Madura

Sir

I have the honor to submit for the consideration of the
Dated 30th Dec/57 Board of Revenue Copies of Corres-
To Dt. 9th Inst. 1858 pondence that has passed between
Dt. Dt. 18th Dt. Dt. me and the then Acting Sub. Collec-
tor Mr. Cockerell and to request
their instructions as to whether I
am justified in rendering the Zem-
indar assistance in recovering
balances due by ryots to a renter
whose lease has expired and who
now has no connexion with the
Estate

Madura
1st February 1858

I have signed) A Dallaway
Sy. Collector

Encr. 1
Translation of a Yadasht from the
Sub to the Collector's Office dated 30th
December 1857.

The Yadasht from the
Collector's Office bearing date the 30th
Instant has been received. The Acting
Sub Collector begs to inform the Collector

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Collector that Section 17 Regulation XXVII
of 1802 is applicable only to defaulting
Renters and that ere they become so it
cannot be considered that they are pro-
-hibited from collecting the rents due to
them by their Sub renters under the au-
-thority vested (in the Renters) by Regu-
-lation XXVII of 1802 and Regulation V of
1822. The late Renter of Amianaickenoor
was not a defaulter.

When a Zemindary is sold by
the Court for arrears of rent or revenue
due by the under renters or ryots, and the
renter himself buys it up may be (the
Renter) not be at liberty to collect the
outstanding arrears in question? As this
is a particular point which has to
be communicated to Mrs Fondeclair,
the Acting Sub Collector requests to be
favored with the Collectors opinion
in the matter.

The Acting Sub Collector thinks
that the arrears due by the Ryots is the
property of the Zemindary to enable it
to pay its Peishcush and is not that of
the

the Renter, though the latter may have given the lands on Puttadapoo to the Ryot he feels strengthened in this opinion by the fact that the assessments are such as are fixed according to Regulations and not liable to a charge, thus shewing that the arrears of revenue are more immediately connected with the Peishcush they have not yet been paid to the Zemindar.

If the Collector agrees with the Acting Sub Collector in the above opinion the latter thinks that the Zemindar may be allowed, on behalf of the late Renter to distrain the Property of the Ryots and make good the arrears due by them under Regulation XXVIII of 1802 and Regulation V of 1822.

Pulney
30th December 1857 } (Signed) A. R. Cockerell
Ag Sub Collector

Translation of a Yadast from the Acting Collector to the Acting Sub Collector dated 9th January 1858.

The Acting Collector of opinion that the Zemindar cannot collect

collect the rents which are due, not to himself but to the renter who must adopt the authorized mode of recovering them.

The Zemindar resumes the Zemindary, but not the outstanding liability of the Ryots.

The case suggested by the Acting Sub Collector of a party purchasing a Zemindary when sold by order of the Court, is different from this. The purchaser obtains by his purchase all the inherent privileges of the previous holder.

Madura
9th January 1858 } (Signed) A. Hathaway
Acting Collector

No 12

To A. Hathaway Esqre
Ag Collector of Madura

Sir. I have had the honor of receiving your Yadast dated 9th January 1858, being a reply to my Tamil communication dated 30th December 1857 conveying your decision in the question mooted in reference to the balances due in the Ammianaick Kenaom Estate to the late contractor Mr. Pondeclair

and

and have intimated the same to her..

2 As the question however of the power of an individual to recover Kist balances under the Revenue enactments on an estate, due to his predecessor, is one of general importance, and as my Yadast does not on a reperusal seem to me to convey my sentiments with all the force - I should wish I think it a proper injustice to myself to lay them before you more clearly..

3 The case under consideration is the following - The contract of the Ammeanack Estate enjoyed by Mrs Fondeclair has expired - The zemindar is willing to recover the balances which accrued under the contract in the usual way Vizt by distraint - can he do so?..

4 You will observe that in stating the case thus I carefully omit to say that the zemindar is willing to recover the balances for Mrs Fondeclair - supposing he can recover them, whether he must them over to that lady is a matter to be settled by the parties with whom

which the revenue authorities have nothing to do..

5 The case being then as I put it the subjoined arguments occur to me as tending to shew that the Zemindar has power to recover the balances which accrued under the contract lately expired..

6 Each Puttah or agreement made with a Ryot on an Estate is a contract entered into with an understanding on the one hand that it will be enforced by "Summary Process" under peculiar enactments framed for the purpose, and with the Knowledge on the other that it can be so

7 The contract differs in this respect from other contracts - It is made as it were between the Estate to enable it to pay its peshcush and the Ryot rather than between the latter and the individual possessing the Estate - It is formed with the "Estate backed by a certain power, which constitutes one of its essential features" and as long as there is no hiatus in the power, as long as the power is not in abeyance which cannot be

be, as it is inalienable under any cir-
:cumstances from the Estate - The con-
:tract cannot repudiate it.

8 Were this otherwise, it would come to be understood, which I believe has not hitherto been the case that a party entering upon an Estate with the powers attached to it in the middle of a Fusly could not collect the ba-
:lances due on the Estate by distraint because the puttahs for the year had been given in the name of his predecessor.

9 In fact in this case the Ryots would be absolved from their agreements and all their balances condoned unless the proprietor enforced them by a tedious civil process in a way different from that which was contemplated when the agreements were made.

10 Under these circumstances a party purchasing an Estate sold by auction in the Civil Court could not though he had nominally became possessed of all that belonged to the former proprietor, enforce his rights

to balances by a summary process, and equally so, a son succeeding to his fathers Zemindary could not collect the balances on the Estate due to that father.

11 It may be said that the power of distraint does not cease with the death of the Father and is only carried on by the son.-

12 It appears to me that neither is it placed in abeyance by the cessation of a contract. At the expiry of the con-
:tract the Contractor dies to the Estate, and with him his own power of distraint as in the case of any other deceas-
:But that power is taken up and con-
:tinued by his successor, equally, as it would be, by a legal inheritor to a defunct owner.

Dindigul
18th January 1858

(Signed) J. R. Cockerell
Ag Sub Collector

(True Copies)
(Signed) A. Hathaway
Acting Collector

To

No: 29

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

Bd No: 655
From the Ag Collr of Madura

Sir,

I have the honor herewith to forward an Estimate of Rupees 1,056-8-8 for constructing a stable and erecting compound walls to the Bungalow at Shavegungah lately purchased upon the sanction of the Court under date the 3d April 1856 for the minor Zemindar, and to request that you will obtain the sanction of the Court for the same as the works entered therein are indispensibly required for the improvement and stability of the Building

Madura
3d February 1858

(Signed) A. Hathaway
Acting Collector

No: 34

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

Bd No: 651
From the Ag Collr of Madura

Sir

With reference to para 4 of an Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue under date the

No: 33

the 8th ultimo, I have the honor to report for the information of the Board, that the Plaintiffs in Original Suit No: 8 of 1856, after a personal interview, in which I explained matters fully to them, presented a motion to the Civil Judge, requesting that the suit be referred to the Court of Wards for decision by arbitration.-

2 On receiving intimation of this having been done - I filed a motion, assenting on the part of myself and the Guardian to their motion, provided the Judge deemed the proposed step beneficial to the minor. observing at the time that we by so doing in no way acknowledged the validity of the Bond sued on

3 On the 1st Instant the Civil Judge passed the following order on the Plaintiffs motion.-

M P No: 40 of 1858
O S No: 8 of 1856
Plaintiffs
Palaneappa Chetty
and 3 others
& Vakeel
Ramasawmy Naik

"The Defendants
"having intimated to
"the Court their ap-
"proval of having
"the suit decided by
"the arbitration of
the

"the Court of Wards, Pe-
"titioners prayer to that effect
"is granted."

1st February 1858 } (Signed) D. Mayne
Acting Civil Judge

4 On the same day the following order was passed by the Acting Civil Judge on a motion presented on behalf the minor's mother objecting to the Plaintiffs request on the grounds that the Bond sued on was a forgery.

M P No. 58 of 1858
O S No. 8 of 1858

Petitioners
Ranee Petchama
Natchear Mother
of Minor Zemindar
of Shevagungah
Vakeels
Soobramaneya Iyer
&
Ramasawmy Iyer

"The Petitioners
"time for representing
"her objections to the
"point was at an
"earlier stage of Pro-
"ceedings. The suit
"having been brought
"to a conclusion
"in all regular
"process and having been closed
"awaiting a Decree nothing can now
"interfere with Judgment being
"declared upon the merits of all
"the pleadings and evidence adduced
"Petitioner can bring the circumstance
noticed

"noticed in her Petition to the Knowledge
"of the Court of Wards through the
"Collector, who is agent to the Court,
"under which authority the Estate
"of the minor is managed."

1st February 1858 } (Signed) D. Mayne
Ag Civil Judge

Madura
4th February 1858 } (Signed) A. Hathaway
Ag Collector

No. 46

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

Bd No. 762
From the Ag Collr
of Madura —

Sir,

With reference to my
letter

Letter of the 18th ultimo No. 13;
I have the honor to request
you will be good enough to
furnish me with a Copy
of the Board's Endorsement
on Petition No. 4086 of 1857 to
enable me to dispose of
*B. No. 4223 of 1857 another Petition received
subsequently.

Madura
11th February 1858 } (Signed) A. Hathaway
Acting Collr

No. 53

To

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

Sir,

B. No. 848
From the Actg Collector of Madura.
To B. 15th May 1856 No. 96.
From Do. 15th June 1856 No. 1816.

With reference to the correspondence noted in the Margin, I have the honor to forward copy of a Decree in OS No. 7 of 1856 in the file of the Sub Court nonsuiting the Plaintiff with Costs.

Madura, 19th February 1858. } (Signed) A. Hathaway
Acting Collector

Madura

Fort St George 10th March 1858.

Madura Subordinate Decrees.

Madura Subordinate Court OS No. of 1856.

Plaintiff — Vers. — Defendants.

Chocalingum Pillay.

1 B. Paunecfote Esqr. Sub Collector of Madura
2 Sowda Cownden
3 Thatha Cownden
4 Sunchavarna Pillay
5 Salungappa Pillay
6 Kaulcy Naicken
7 Sutcha Naicken
8 Coomaroo Naicken
9 Caulecoo-doombun
10 Murduveera Sundaram
11 Singum Pillay

Vakeel

Vakeel for the 1st (Defendant) Shamarow and for others Natraia Row.

Ramasawmy Naick.

1 The object of this Suit is to obtain a Decree confirming Plaintiffs right to 18 11/16 Coolies of Mulgoozary Nunjah Land annually yielding Rupees 114 - 4 - 9 -

2 Plaint states that the Village in which the disputed land is had belonged to

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to the ancestors of the 2nd Defendant, who on being compelled by the Circar to cultivate it passed an agreement to Plaintiffs father dated 25th July 1809, authorizing him to cultivate and enjoy the lands in perpetuity. The Plaintiffs father accordingly laid out some 1000 or 1500 on the repairs of the land and cultivated the lands with the exception of those in dispute, which had become unfit for cultivation from the water of the tank finding an outlet over it and causing large pits to be formed. On the 9th December 1853 however Plaintiff presented a petition to the Sub Collector Mr Clarke saying he would bring the land under cultivation provided the Circar levelled it and turned the course of the channel in another direction. nothing being done by the Circar, Plaintiff at length at his own expense levelled the land when the defendants 5th & 6th petitioned that the land should be given them on Cowle and

and the acting Sub Collector Mr Child accord-ingly granted it and directed Plaintiff to have recourse to a civil action hense this suit.

3 The 1st Defendant in his answer denies the validity of Plaintiffs claim urging that the Tank in dispute is the pro-perty of Government and was repair-ed by it in 1830 and 1845 he further says that he is prepared to prove that Plaintiff did not reclaim the land as stated in the Plaint, and that it has lain waste for the 30 years that Plaintiff made no attempt to cultivate it till application had been received from a number of people re-questing that cowle might be granted them that Government is empowered to dispose as it thinks fit of such lands as have lain waste for more than 3 years and that

that therefore the Defendant requests that his proceedings may be confirmed and the Plaintiffs claim dismissed.-

Judgment

4 The Court on a perusal of the Plaint and answer found it quite unnecessary to record points and accord-ingly proceeded at once to hear what the parties had to say for themselves- The result of the hearing has been the Plaintiffs admission that though small portions of the land have from time to time been cultivated the disputed piece has as a whole never been cultivated for 30 years- a fur-ther admission elucited that the Circar re-paired the Tank which irrigates this land and this land alone on two different occa-sions which it never would have done if it had been Plaintiffs property and

that

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that Plaintiff made no more in the matter but allowing the land was in the Plaintiffs enjoyment as asserted his admission that since 1848 no part of it had been cultivated, would alone justify the Circar in acting as it has done and in taking it out of Plaintiffs hands to give it to those who were able and willing to turn it to better account, the Court therefore nonsuit Plaintiff with all costs.-

Costs incurred by Plaintiff-

	Rs	a	p	Rs	a	p
Value of Stamp paper	9	12	-			
Peons Batta	5	2	-			
Vakeels half fees	2	13	2	17	11	2
Costs incurred by 1st Defendants						
Value of Stamp paper	-	8	-			
Vakeels fee	2	13	2	3	5	2
Costs incurred by 2d 3d 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th and 11th Defendants						
Value of Stamp paper	1	8	-			
Vakeels half fees	2	13	2	4	5	2
Total Rupees				25	5	6

Deduct

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Deduct

Costs to be borne by Plaintiff - - - 17-11-2

Balance to be paid by Ds to all Defendant 7-10-4

Given under my hand in the Subordinate Court at Madura on the 27th day of October A. D. 1857.-

The Plaintiff and Defendants are hereby informed that in conformity with the order of Suder Udalut No 48 no compromise entered by the parties will be valid unless it first receives the sanction of the Court by which this decree is passed.-

In conformity with the order of Suder Udalut No 123. no Decree shall be executed after the lapse of 12 years unless the Party applying for execution shews by clear and positive proff. that his application is on one or other of the ground specified in clause 4 Section XVIII Regulation II of 1802 excepted from

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from the general rule of limitation pre-
-scribed in that section.-

Signed and Sealed in open Court
this 5th day of November A.D. 1857.-

The period for preferring an ap-
-peal from this Decree will expire on the
5th day of December A.D. 1857, within which
time the application for an appeal accom-
-panied by a copy of the Decree praysed
on the case must be presented to the Civil
Court or the application will be rejected.

(Signed) A. W. Phillips
Sub Ordinate Judge.

(True Copy)

(Signed) A. Hathaway
Ag Collector

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No 27

To

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

Bo No 1048
From the Acting Collector
of Malabar ------

Sir,

Para 1.

With reference to the Papers noted in the margin, I have the honor to report that the Punchayet named marginally was appointed to fix the amount of compensation due to Katteal Govindo menon in consequence of the Madras Rail-way Company having established their own ferries at the different points of the Rivers crossed by their line and which were included in his/K. Govinda menons/ lease.—

Submits with reference to the correspondence noted within Translate of a Plaint filed by the Ferry contractor before arbitrators and recommends a remission to the contractor of Rupees 6,000 per annum a compensation for foregoing the levy of tolls from the Railway Company.-

To Board 11th September 1857. No 143
From Do 25th November " No 4124
To Do 7th December " No 196
From Do 9 January 1858 No 105.

For Government Contractor
1 Munjoo Cunatty
2 Karumballe Sha. gara Coonoopoo.

For Government
3 Kallunquel Purrachen
4 Tallunkandy Movsan. coatty, agee
5 Amboocahcut Tahseldar
President-

The Panchayet commenced
2, their setting on the 14th Ultimo, when the
contractor laid his claims before them
for

for the enormous sum of 165792 Rupees as per accompanying copy of his Plaint being his estimated loss of contingent profits for the 3 years currency of his lease.

3 The claim for the first two years is based on data which he has for some months been collecting for the actual traffic crossing the Rivers by the Railway ferries, This is the busiest time of the working season on the Railway, and the Estimate is greatly exaggerated in other points of view, still it is based on matter which could be produced and sworn to before the Panchayet.

4. The Estimate of the contingent profits of the 3d year, when the Railway will it is anticipated be opened, is framed on the Estimated Tonnage of traffic passing over the lines, to a share of which the contractor conceives himself entitled. Whether he is so or not must be a legal question of great nicety and the opening of the Rail itself is an uncertain contingency. If these points be left to be decided on legal principles or remain undecided till the contingency becomes a

a certainty, much litigation will I fear result. The matter cannot be dealt with.—

5. To enable me to form some Estimate of our position, I at once sent my Head Accountant to Beypoor to endeavour to obtain from the Railway Department there, some authentic and accurate information on the points involved, and to request them to allow me to inspect their accounts with a view to preparing an answer to the Plaint now submitted. (This altho' Mr. Fenwick kindly looked over the Estimate of the contractor and found it greatly exaggerated) the local Officers refused to permit unless I applied to Government to direct the chief Engineer of the Railway Company to sanction an inspection of their Books, and to allow them to appear as Witnesses before the Panchayet, I fear the Government would be very unwilling to take this step and require the Railway Officers to aid us. The examination would be a most invidious and little satisfactory task. It would beyond all doubt give rise to unpleasant correspondence between us.—

Resident Engineers

such

6 Such information (private) as I did obtain, has however satisfied me that even were we in posession of the actual returns of the Railway ferries Viz^t of the actual number of coolies and quantity of Railway materiel ferried a cross) we should be obliged to admit a very large claim on the average of present traffic in Passengers (Coolies) and Railway material, while the question of contingent profit for the 3 years actual Railway traffic, is one with which no human foresight can deal.—

7 I have further taken an opportunity of privately sounding the minds of the members of the Panchayet on the subject before them and the result has given me and my principal native Officers much anxiety— For although the members are personally beyond suspicion and the most business-like men I could select in Calicut I can see that even they have formed an exaggerated idea of profits and rights of which they can know little or nothing and of which their inexperienced minds

minds can form no definite idea In fact the principal members admit that they are much at a loss how to deal with the matter before them. We have however seen reason to dread an unexpectedly heavy valuation of the compensation at their inexperienced hands.—

8 Kattejat Govinda Menon is a very influential and able man, thoroughly versed in litigation and probably one of the largest speculators in Malabar Indeed he lives by such speculative transactions. He has got a good claim, and he knows it well and like any other speculative person, is anxious to make as good a thing of it as possible.— He is at the same time neither an unreasonable nor ungenerous man, and after very careful consideration and consultation, I have exerted myself to effect a private arrangement through my able and anxious Sheristedars and others and I earnestly trust that the Board and Government will ratify the negociation as the only way of at once adjusting this very complex matter.—

Kallat-

9 Kalleat Govinda Menon has been our Ferry contractor for some years and holds the ferries as per margin (inclusive of the disputed one) at an annual rent of Rupees 16000 — He is willing to withdraw all claim for compensation and contingent profits of 6000 Rupees per annum of this amount be remitted for 3 years, — I think he is entitled to this at least, and this appears to me to be the general feeling. I fear likewise, that if I be not allowed to settle the matter on these terms, the public funds will be far more heavily mulcted by verdict of Panchayet. a loss of 6000 Rupees per annum to the Local Funds is indeed a sad alternative, but I believe it is the only

Taloor	Period	Amount for Fasly 1264 to 1266 1856/57	Rate let from 1267 to 1269 1857/60
Koormenaad	3	6,524 " "	8,000 " "
Beyppoor	3	2,066 " "	4,000 " "
Bettilnaad	3	4,410 " "	4000 " "
Total	9	13000 " "	16000 " "

† For 3 years.

10 The above marginal statement shows that the recent sales, have raised

raised the fund by Rupees 3000 per annum, so that the loss is partially nominal, as compared with the rents of former years — The above increase having arisen mainly from the anticipated profits of the Railway traffic of which the contractor, for the same contractor took ally is now deprived. —

9

11 I may add that the Ellatoor Bridge toll sold 2000 Rupees the other day of this additional sum be added to the increase above shewn of Rupees 3,000 the actual deficit by the preceding arrangement will only be 1000 Rupees as compared with former years.

Malabar Collectors Office

Calicut,

2d March 1858

(Signed) W Robinson

Acting Collector

To

Enclosure No. 1.

To

The Court of Arbitrators

The Plaint of Ferry Contractor Kuttayal Govinda Menon of Beypoor Umsham in the Taloor of Calicut.

I beg to submit my complaint respecting the compensation due to me by W Robinson Esqre Acting Collector of Malabar, as representative of the Govt. of the Honorable East India Company.

1 That in consequence of the local officers of the Railway Company having commenced and continuing to ferry passengers and materials of the said Railway Company in their own boats across two of the Ferries leased by me for three Fusles beginning from 1267

viz

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viz at Coddaloondy and Thiruvapandy across the former from the 21st Carcodayum and the latter from the 1st Chingum 1032 I have lost my due in tolls and orders having been received that the amount of the loss sustained by me under the above circumstance should be determined by arbitration, I represent that I am entitled to claim the chances of the profit of such lease abovementioned and I claim the right to levy the regulated rates of toll on persons and things that pass and are passed during period of the Farm, over the Ferries let to me - These I estimate at the sum of Rupees 116792 as particularized in the accompanying Statement for the two Ferries abovementioned during the three years of my Lease.

Therefore I pray for an arbitration for the payment to me of the sum so specified.-

/ Signed / Kuttayal-Govinda Menon
Statement

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No 2 Statement of Probable amount of Toll on Passengers and Materials passing the Coddaloondy and Thiruvapandy Ferries on account of the Farming Company for three years

For 18000 Passengers per annum		300 " "	
For 100 Carts with materials do do		40 " "	
For 30 Horse Carriages do do		12 " "	
For 100 Horses do do		30 " "	
Total amount of Toll per annum		382 " "	
Amount per annum at the above rate		4588 " "	
For 33320 Carts required per annum for carrying across the Coddaloondy Ferry 2,00,000 Rattivan Stephens @ 6			

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up the roads. Objection was taken to their using them and such obstacles thrown in the way of the Bandy owners that they preferred having recourse to the Chinglepute stores

4 The commissioners in Para 605 of their report in remarking that a considerable part of the salt sold at the stores of the latter Collectorate was drawn from the neighbouring Pans of Chinglepute" allude to the Vullore and Voyalore Pans which stored their salt at the Madras Golaurs though they were not formally transferred to Madras until 1854

5 Since the withdrawal in January 1847 of the restriction at Madras against Inland sales our trade has materially increased as we secure that which flowed past us and supplied itself from the Chinglepute Golaurs as long as the restriction continued and from this cause the sales at these latter Golaurs have decreased and our own sales augmented

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augmented though in Fasly 1264 from the incident above noticed the Chinglepute sales show an advance over as the Collector puts it in Para 20 of his Revenue Report more than covered the defalcation of Revenue from Inland sales of the adjoining Pans of Madras and Mercanum in South Arcot

Madras 25th January 1858 } (Signed) B Conliffe Collector

Ds I have just received the Board's Extract Proceedings 21st Instant No 298 forwarding Copy of a letter from the Collector of Chinglepute dated 3d December 1857 in which he gives the same reasons as I do for a portion of the former Chinglepute sales having been transferred to Madras since 1854 tho he does not mention the cause of the increased resort of traders to his Pans in Fasly $\frac{1264}{1854/55}$

(Signed) B Conliffe
Collector

Ft

Ordnance Department

No. 184

To

The Secretary to the
Revenue Board
Fort St. George

From the Principal Commissary of Ordnance

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 566 dated 6th February 1858 and in reply to inform you that all the Indents for scales and weights received prior to the 30th April 1857 were considered as cancelled in consequence of my inability to comply with them at that time I have therefore to request that you will be good enough to submit fresh Indents for them specifying exactly what is required

Arsenal
Fort St. George
10th February 1858

Signed D Hamond Colo
Principal Commy
of Ordnance

To

No. 74

To

J D Sim Esqr
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

From the Govt Sr Pleader

No. 2861

15th July 1857
No. 2382

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter to my address of date and number noted in the margin and to inform you that the proposed Act for regulating the powers and duties of the Revenue Officers in the Territories subject to the Government of Fort St. George is now under preparation by me and I trust shortly to be able to complete it

2 With reference to Para 2 of your letter now under acknowledgement I shall be happy to receive the outline of the provisions to which you allude

Madras
17th July 1857

Signed C Dale
Government Pleader

Received the undermentioned Memorandums Letters and Statements.

From

Mr. No. 533.
From the Collector of Chingleput Demand Collection and Balance Statement for January 1858

Mr. No. 534.
From the Collector of North Arcot Demand Collection and Balance Statement for January 1858

Mr. No. 535
From the Collector of South Arcot Demand Collection and Balance Statement for January 1858

Mr. No. 536
From the Collector of Tanjore Demand Collection and Balance Statement for January 1858

Mr. No. 537
From the Collector of Trichinopoly Demand Collection and Balance Statement for January 1858

Mr. No. 538
From the Collector of Madura Demand Collection and Balance Statement for January 1858

From

Mr. No. 539
From the Collector of Tinnevelly Demand Collection and Balance Statement for January 1858.

Mr. No. 540
From the Collector of Malabar Demand Collection and Balance Statement for January 1858

Mr. No. 541
From the Collector of Madras Demand Collection and Balance Statement for January 1858

Mr. No. 542
From the Collector of Sea Customs Madras Demand Collection and Balance Statement for January 1858

Mr. No. 543
From the Collector of Masulipatam Bullion Statement for January 1858

Mr. No. 544
From the Collector of Chingleput Bullion Statement for January 1858

Mr. No. 545
From the Collector of South Arcot Bullion Statement for January 1858

Mr. No. 546
From the Collector of Madura Bullion Statement for January 1858

From

Mr. No. 547
From the Collector of Tinnivelly — Bullion Statement for January 1858

Mr. No. 549
From the Collector of Vizagapatam — Season Report for the 2d half of February 1858

Mr. No. 550
From the Collector of Masulipatam — Season Report for the 2d half of February 1858

Mr. No. 551
From the Collector of Guntoor — Season Report for the 2d half of February 1858

Mr. No. 552
From the Collector of North Arcot — Season Report for the 2d half of February 1858

Mr. No. 553
From the Collector of Tanjore — Season Report for the 2d half of February 1858

Mr. No. 554
From the Collector of Tinnivelly — Season Report for the 2d half of February 1858

Mr. No. 555
From the Collector of Malabar — Season Report for the 2d half of February 1858

Mr. No. 558
From the Collector of Bellary — Forwarding a Bill for 13 Rupees the Value of Books.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Thursday the 11th March 1858.

Read the following Papers received from Government and bound in a Separate Volume.

B. No. 982.
From the Jt. Secretary to Government — Extract from the Minutes of Consulta. in Revenue Department dated 1st March 1858.

Communicating the orders of Government declaring the infant son of the nephew of the original grantee to be the heir to succeed to the Shrotriem of Crum. gandoo cottah and Cuttoor in the district of Chinglepat and directing the court of wards to assume charge of the Estate and to manage it during his minority.....

See No. 269. in separate volume.

No. 198.

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

B. No. 284.
From the Jt. Collector of Ganjam.

Sir,
With reference to the Extract from the Proceedings of the Commissioner Northern Circars dated

dated 1st August 1855 No. 551, I have the honor to proceed in compliance with the instructions therein contained to take further evidence in this case and first as to the point of vital importance the indentity of the Petitioner it is clearly shown by the evidence of the yeraboy Naidoo, D. Iuggannaidoo the Naidoo of the village Goonda aspiah and Barcekee Dalaboo that the complainants Namaya C. Ramasamy they say Rajanah his elder brother died 4 years ago but this should be three as he was present when the complainant calling himself Ramasawmy and denying his realation which gave evidence in his brothers favor as deposed to by the writer of the deposition P. Soobarow. The two witnesses out of three produced by the complainant are proved to be and he now admits the facts his brothers in law. In his deposition given in 1855 he calls himself Raja= nah and says that the elder Rajanah and he were twins and that he was called Ramasawmy by Strangers but Rajanah by his family. The evidence of a man whose statements have been so glaringly

glaringly false and contradictory are evidently unworthy of Credit and even had there been any thing to support his claim it would have been my duty to recommend that he should not be made Naidoo as being from his want of common honesty and truthfulness unfit for the trust. In the accounts of 1207 fusly Yenna Ramdoo is entered as Naidoo of Iuggannadoopetta and in the accounts of 1225 fusly the Petitioners name is not entered.

2. Search was made in the Taloor records but no returns reports or other Official documents were found signed by Petitioner or his ancestors.

3. Taking all the circumstances of the case into consideration I see no reason to alter my former decision.

Ganjam District -
Collectors Circuit Offic
Berhampore
31st December 1857.

/Signed/ W. Knox.
Ag. Collector.

To,

No. 13.

To,

G. S. Forbes Esqr.

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George.

B. C. No. 877.

From the Actg. Collector of Ganjam.

Sir,

With reference to the Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue No. 491 dated 4th Instant, I have the honor to request that you will be pleased to furnish me with another set of Copies of the proceedings of the 15th July and 19th November last No. 2400 and 4044 for the use of my Principal Assistant and that you will be good enough to send him copies of all papers of general interest as the two Offices are so far apart he can not easily refer to papers when he requires it unless he has them on his own records.

Ganjam District Collectors Office Chetterpore 16th February 1858.

/ Signed / W. Knox.

Actg. Collector

H.

No. 29.

To,

G. S. Forbes Esqr.

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue.

Fort St. George.

B. No. 753.

From the Actg. Collector of Masulipatam.

Sir,

Para. 1. I have the honor to enclose a copy of my reviews on 2 cases in which the Tahsildar of Juggiahpetta is Defendant, in which I left obliged to reverse the Decisions of the Acting Sub Collector.

2. I trust my reviews will prove satisfactory to the Board. I annex to them Copies of Mr. Chase's sentences in these cases, and in the case. I had the honor to report on in my letter dated 27th Ultimo No. 20.

3. I must now endeavour to report on the Tahsildar. I submit a copy of my letter to Mr. Chase, and his reply, regarding his letter which I sent the Board.

4. I cannot conceal my regret at the delay that has occured. Mr. Chase should have disposed of all these cases early in December, and so avoided the inconvenience of an Acting Tahsildar, whose blunders, as a Police Officer,

have

have been lamentable.

5. I also must add that I think that the Tahsildar has been the victim of a conspiracy, I feel confident that the Revenue Moonshy in Mr. Chase's Office, and the Deputy Tahsildar of Duggiahpetta were determined that a man whom they agreed with, Mr. Chase in thinking a rogue, should not escape, and that these charges were got up to please Mr. Chase who had gazetted his intention to hear complaints against this Tahsildar.

6. I am unable to discover on what grounds Mr. Chase suspended this Tahsildar on the 1st December, but of his ill opinion of him there is ample proof, and the consequence is that on becoming his judge he was too ready to believe the charges, and did not see the necessity of testing, and supporting their truth, and his moonshy was too anxious for a conviction

7. I confess I feel great difficulty in this case. I see nothing recorded to make me think ill of the Tahsildar, tho' I have often heard he was corrupt, but then I have heard that of many

meany others, and Mr. Fraser had the highest opinion of this man.

8. Mr. Chase's opinion however is so strong against him, that I think he should not remain in the Sub Division, but I propose to the Board that he should receive full pay from the date of suspension, and that in consideration of Mr. Chase's opinion he be removed to another situation. I will however issue no order because perhaps the Board may agree with Mr. Chase, and as I would gladly be spared acting on my own opinion against that of so zealous an officer as Mr. Chase, our object is the same, and I very probably have taken too narrow a view because too favourable to the accused.

Masulipatam Collector's Circuit Cutcherry at Ellore 9th February 1858.

/Signed/ T. I. Knox.
Actg. Collector.

Enc. 1.

Review of case No. 3 of 1857 Acting Sub Collector's file.

The Acting Collector is of opinion the

the subject matter of this case does not properly come under Regulation IX of 1822.

The charge against the Tahsildar is that a Zemindar paid 3 Rupees to some of the Tahsildar's servants namely 1 Rupee for a sheep for the Bearers, 1 Rupee for the Brah=min and 1 Rupee to the Bannian to provide good rice.

The Acting Collector admits that douceurs to servants are an evil, but it is universal and it is not the evil Regulation IX of 1822 provides against, and in the present instance the presents were neither large nor unusual, and it is not asserted in the charge or in the decision of the Acting sub Collector that they were given for any specific object and as the Court of Sudr Adalut have ruled that the receiving a present to secure general good will, and not for a specific object, is not an offence under Regulation IX of 1822. The case must fall on this defect alone.

If the principle on which the Acting Sub Collector's Division is based, be sound, [illegible] Officers

Officers of all classes would keep domestic servants at the risk of their own characters.

The decession is accordingly reversed.

Masulipatam Collector's Circuit Cutcheery at Allore 8th February 1858.

/signed/ T. J. Knox.
Ag. Collector.

Enc: 2.

Review of case No. 4 of 1857 Ag. Sub-Collector's file.

It appears from the record that complain=ant and his 2 witnesses wished to move from one Village to another; that disputes arose as to their throwing up their cultivation which as apparently they were not allowed to do however the Villagers of Podamoodayapilly kept the roofs of the houses in pledge, and it was to expedite the restoration of the wooden materials in the roofs; that complainant asserts he gave a bribe to the Tahsildar. The complainant and his 2 witnesses subscribed 5 Rupees each, and their own evidence shows that they sought to recover 5 beams. These beams had cost them nothing but the labour

of

of cutting and, tho' the record does not shew their value, it is difficult to believe men in their circumstances in life would pay away such an amount of cash, as a bribe, when 1/6 of the sum would probably have bought them for better beams.

The Prosecutor's statement contains an assertion which should have attracted attention, and called forth explanation. The Prosecutor says he paid the bribe on the 2d. November 1857 and certainly on the 21st. November, the Acting Sub Collector received an Arzee from Prosecutor complaining of the injustice he had suffered, and of the Tahsildar and not a mention is made of the bribe, and the more remarkable circumstance is that Prosecutor should go on the evening of the day the Tahsildar was suspended, and demand his money back, and that this should occur at 9 O'Cl: P.M. and not a witness be for the coming, and not a person present

present at the Tahsildar's house.

The Prosecutor should have been made to give particulars of this visit which occurred less than 24 hours before his deposition was taken. In his cross Examination he explains that no allusion was made in his arzee dated 21st. November to the bribe, because he expected the money would be repaid him, and this shews that at that time he saw his bribe would not influence the Tahsildar, and his silence on what would have forced the Acting sub Collector to call up the whole matter above is strange, especially as the Acting Sub Collector must have been near Jaggiapella when the Arzee was given and had Gazetted his readiness to receive complaints of this nature against the Tahsildar. The 1st. Witness says Prosecutor told them he had paid the Tahsildar which seems unnecessary information if Prosecutor knew witness saw him do so as witness swears he did.

Witness swears he continues to dun Prosecutor whereas he swears he saw Prosecutor pay

pay his money to the Tahsildar.

The 2d witness statement is very vague. He swears Prosecutor went into the house and paid Tahsildar, while he and 4 witnesses remained at the gate, nor is it explained that then witness saw into the house that the rupees were paid.

The 3d witness swears Prosecutor told him he had paid a bribe, but he did not ask nor did Prosecutor say what for.

The Acting Sub Collector seems to have overlooked the circumstances of the Petition dated 21st November 1857. It apparently was presented in person, and there was not sufficient time before the date of his suspension 1st December, for the Tahsildar to move in the matter, considering that he had troops to provide for had he shewn great zeal and given the complainants all they expected there would be some grounds to suppose they had brought his zeal.

The defendant assents that the Petition of the 21st November was referred in the Magistrate

Magistrate Department and that the parties who got up this charge against him did not know of its existence till the case had gone too far to withdraw, but that it was then returned in the Revenue Department, there certainly appears some obscurity about it.—

The Acting Collector is on the whole satisfied, the case must be dismissed.—

He is also of opinion that most unnecessary delay has occurred in this case it could have been settled on the 2d December and not delayed till the 25th January it is unfair to an individual and it has proved injurious to the public interests.—

Masulipatam Collectors Circuit Cutcherry at — Ellore 9th February 1858 —

(Signed) T. J. Rhose
Acting Collector

Enc: 3

Case No. 3 of 1857

Complainant
Government

Defendant
Cuttamooory Venkatarayam
Suspended Tahsildar of
Inggapett.

Charge

With having in the Village of Canchavarapoogoodem in the Lingagery Zemeendary appear-

appertaining to Juggeapeth Talook, received a sum of Rupees 3 as below noted while he was stationed there on the 21st February under the orders of the Sub Collector for the purpose of enquiring into the dispute between the Zemmindars of the said Lingagery Purganah and Naugoolapahand in the Nizams Territory regarding a bund raised by the former across the Vanoolair river.

1st Count		Ready money paid to the Ranians for old rice to Ameen &c. Tahsildar	Rs. a. p. 1-0-0
2d.	Do.	To Ameens Brahmin	1-0-0
3d.	Do.	Value of the Shirpent for from La Rehmeer-spooram an account of Ameens Bearers	1-0-0
			3-0-0

Being an offence of 1st Class

Witness denied that he had ever paid any sum to the Defendant, but on his accounts being produced and on his being asked why he made entries to the effect that he had paid for Defendants

use and benefit several small sums, he admitted that on the occasion of his (Defendants) visiting Lingagery to settle a dispute he (Witness) paid him 1 Rupee for his rice, 1 Rupees to his Cook, 2 to his Duffadars and Peons, and 1 to his bearers which the accounts filed and which he (Witness) admits are his, clearly shew.

Defendant was shown the entries in the accounts of Witness and admitted that he went to Lingagery at the time in question but he denies that he received the sums entered in the accounts. The documents adduced in this case which are the private accounts of the Zemindar afford sufficient proof that the sums in question were paid to the Defendant. The Zemindar moreover had no wish to bring any charge and it was only on my securing the production of this account by a warrant that I procured them, the character of the Defendant being well known to me and credible information having reached me that those accounts would contain proof of one of the many instances

in

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in which he abused his trust - He was con-
victed of the charge and sentenced under
Clause 1 Section V Regulation IX of 1822 to
pay a sum of Rupees 6 (Six) and to be de-
tained in custody in the Cutcherry until
he had paid the same. —

Bezoarad — — }
31st. December 1857 }

/Signed/ M. C. Chase
Acting Sub Collector

/True Copy/
/Signed/ T. J. Knox
Acting Collector

Enc 4

Case No. 4 of 1857

Complainant — Defendant

1 Nundamooroo Cotiah — Cuttamoory Venkatarat
Suspended Tahsildar

Bribery

With having in the Town and Talo
of Iyyalpettah on or about 2d. Novem
1857 received a bribe of Rupees 15 from
Complainant upon the condition that
would afford him (Complainant) and
1st and 2d. witnesses assistance in recov-
ing some building materials belonging to
Complainant

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Complainant and 1st. and 2d. Witnesses which
were detained and kept from them by the
Villagers of "Padamoodoogapully" with which
Villagers Complainant and others had quarrel-
led and whose Village they wished to leave.

Being an affence of 1st. Class.

Complainant states that he complained
to the Defendant against the Villagers of
Padamoodogapally, who would not give up
to him his roofing and building materials,
that the Defendant consulted the said
Villagers and then told Complainant he
had dismissed the case, that subsequently
on date of charge he went to the Defendants
house and begged he would decide the dis-
pute in his favor and that to obtain the
Defendants decision he offered him 15 Rs.
which he (Defendant) accepted, that
he nevertheless has not up to this date
decided his case nor has he (Complainant)
received his building materials; that 1st.
and 2d. Witness were also deprived of their
building materials and had asked him
(Complainant) to pay on their account to
the

the Defendant the sum of five Rupees each, that no one was present but 1st and 2d Witness when he (Complainant) paid Defendant the bribe, but that he informed 3d Witness of the same subsequently.—

1st Witness that he and Complainant and 2d Witness had quarrelled with the Village of Padamodoogapully and left the Village and wished to remove their building materials and go to Boochavarum, that the Defendant sent a Duffadar to prevent them from remov= ing from the former village and said he would not remit to them the payment of the sist they paid in the former village that he give five Rupees to Complainant to give the Defendant to give his favor 2d Witness also giving five Rupees for the same purpose, that he and 2d Witness accompained Complainant to Defendants house, and saw complainant pay fifteen Rupees into the hands of Defendant.—

2d Witness that one month ago he paid Complainant five Rupees to give

give the Defendant to gain his favor in the Decision of a case regarding their re= moval from Peddamodoogapully Village that he and 1st Witness accompained Com= plainant to Defendants house and that he and 1st Witness saw complainant pay Defendant fifteen Rupees.—

3d Witness merely state that Com= plainant informed him he had paid a bribe of fifteen Rupees to the Defendant.

The complainant and 1st and 2d Witness were closely cross examined by the Defendant who endeavoured to prove that it was improbable complainant would pay him a bribe of Rupees 15 for building materials not worth perhaps 1/4th that sum every facility was given to Defendant to cross examine these = persons but he failed to elicit any discrepancies in their evidence if any immaterial one, Viz. that Complain= = ant said he was a relation of 1st Witness whereas 1st Witness said he was, can be called

called a discrepancy?- As to the value of the materials, 2d- Witness valued his 20 Rupees but all three stated they had themselves cut the beems, bamboos in the jungle and had not purchased them, and it is not therefore to be expected that they would place the real value on them but admitting they were of little or no value, this does not disprove they would not pay as much, as five rupees each to gain their object in a dispute- Men dispute about the veriest trifles but are willing to go great length to gain their object in the dispute and attach great importance to the matter about which they dispute tho' it may be of no intrinsic value to gain their cause, they will sacrifice many times the worth of the object disputed about.

The complainant and witness preferred three petitions to me regarding the

their building materials; these I endorsed the third with an order to the Defendant to restore their property- In his defence he pleads that he sent for them, but that they did not attend his summons. However he is unable to prove by producing his summons that he did send for them At all events, his only duty was to obey my order and to have caused the restoration of their building materials or to have reported to me his reasons for not having done so- However although the complainant and witnesses petitioned me twice, and I endorsed their Petitions twice, and Sent orders to the Defendant twice he (Defendant) did nothing and on my arrival at Guggalpett to make the Settlement, the above charge was preferred against the Defendant- The Defendant cited no witnesses in his defence, his sole object in which, consisted in an endeavour to make it appears that the complaint

was

was an improbable one and to cause by
cross examination discrepancies in the
evidence. In this he failed, and as
the Acting Sub Collector is of opinion
the Defendant has failed to disprove
the charge which taking into consider-
the well known character of Defendant
there is no reason to doubt. He is fined
under Clauses I and II Section V Regula-
tion IX of 1822 in the sum of Rupees 30 and
sentenced to be detained in the Cutcherry
until the same is paid. ——

Nundegamah ——
26th January 1858 ——

/Signed/ M. C. Chase
Acting Sub Collector

/True Copy/
/Signed/ T. J. Knox
Acting Collector

Enc: 5
No: 53

To

The Acting Collector
of Masulipatam

Sir

1 I have received your letter dated
8th December 1857 regarding the Tahsildar
of Jaggiapettah but as the Board of

Revenue are generally very particular in
such cases. I have the honor to request you
will furnish some more Explanation
according as my remarks strike you

2 You first para complains
of his not having the Ryots in atten-
dance. This the Board will agree
with you is a finable offence. ——

3 As to not accompanying
the Ryots is there any proof he was not
sick? He would hardly commit posi-
tive disobedience in your presence. ——

4 As to para 4 - Have you copies of
the accounts and his denial in writing?

5 The offences described in Paras 6
6, 7, 8 and 9 are under enquiry and of course
the Board will give no opinion till they
hear the result. ——

6 He was acquitted in the cases
mentioned in Para 11 and must be
allowed the benefit. ——

7 How is his backing up the
Merchants

merchants alluded to in Para 13 proved
For all described in Para 14 A
Fraser is responsible. —

8 For the Postage labels it is doubtful if the Board would consent to furnished him more than making him pay their value. —

9 I beg you will observe you have not stated any offence except that mentioned in Para 4 and it is useless to ask for his dismissal without a stronger case.

Masulipatam Collectors Cutcherry 12th December 1857

[Signed] T. J. Knox
Acting Collector

No. 135

To

The Acting Collector of Masulipatam

Sir

1 In reply to your letter No. 53 of 12th Instant commenting on my letter of 8th Instant regarding the character of the Juggiapetta Tahsildar and calling for Explanation on certain paras of my letter I have the honor to state, with regard to your first question as to what proof I had that the Tahsildar's excuse for not accompanying the Royals

Royals was not an admissible one, that the Tahsildar made no mention of sickness until Stall him he ought to have accompanied the Regiment. On the morning of 29th Aug. I told him to accompany the Regiment. It left Jaggiapetta the following morning [Monday] and I concluded the Tahsildar had gone with it but it was not until Tuesday afternoon that I learnt he had not gone, then for the first time he pleaded sickness. If he had been ill on Sunday he should have told me to do so on Monday and Tuesday after the Regiment had marched it was easy for him to have given me his reasons for not having accompanied it and I would have excused him but he hoped perhaps I should not have known of his staying behind.

2 With reference to para 4 of my letter I enclose the original accounts of the Zemindary of Singapore

To be returned

3 The charge brought against him of receiving a bribe of Rupees 15 est proved

3999. From R George 11th March 1858.

proved and I have merely to pass sentence, this I refrained doing as so many similar charges have been brought that I thought it better such an individual should be removed from Government employment.—

4.— The complainant Yerkanna in para 6 has sent me an arzee representing he was unable to attend my Cutcherry owing to sickness but that he will shortly come after witnesses will also come to Bejwada who did not like to follow me through the District.—

5.— It is true I acquitted him in the cases mentioned in para 11 but not because I thought him "not guilty" that they were not "proven" is all that can be urged in his favor and it is no small discredit to a Public Functionary that such charges should not have been entirely thrown out and the fabricators of them, if fabricators they were, punished.—

6.— With reference to the having up of the Merchants of Jaggiahpetta I enclose

4000 From R George 11th March 1858.

enclose the letter from Lieut Pagan in which he complains of the high rates charged at Juggiapettah mentioning he paid less at Rondegamah although the grain purchased there was sold at a higher rate than usual because it had been brought from Juggiapettah. You will observe also that Lieutenant Pagan lays the blame of this extortion as much upon the Tahsildar as upon the Merchants.—

7.— I am aware that my report of 8th Instant but one case of bribery is proved, in the other two the complainants did not appear but charges at an "entire neglect of his duty" and "abuse of his trust" must surely be allowed some weight when the character of a Public servant is brought into question

Machulipatam
Sub Collrs Cutcherry
at Bezwada 19th December 1857

/Signed/ W R Chase
Ag. Sub Collector

/True Copy/
/Signed/ T. A. Reay
Ag Collector

No. 3.

To J. S. Lee Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St George

Sir.

B. No. 245
From the Collector
of Nellore

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 2nd October 1857, on the subject of lands proposed to be given in lieu of certain others taken up for Roads in the Sub division.

2.— With reference to the Board's remarks in Paras 4 and 5 I beg to state that the Sub Collector informs me that there are no Government waste lands in the Neighbourhood available to give in exchange.

3.— Mr. Minchin regrets that the information be previously gave regarding the forfeibility of giving Government lands in exchange for others, referred to in para 5 of the Board's Proceedings under reply, was not incorrect

incorrect in the first instance.

Nellore District,
Collectors Office,
Ramapoor, 9th January 1858

Signed / G. D. Elton
Collector

No. 24.

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

B. No. 772
From the Collector
of Nellore

Sir.

With reference to the Board's Endorsement on Petitions Nos. 204 and 2750 of 1857, herewith returned, I have the honor to report that the lands referred to by the Petitioners were proposed for in Fasly 1264 to convert them into wet. The lands were previously unclassified and the Tahsildar entered them in their Bittum under the 4th Varam Rupees 18 — 8 per Gorjao. which was allowed by Mr. Ratliff the Acting Collector at the settlement pending further enquiry. The Petitioners did not mention in their application the rate at which they offered to take up the lands and even had they

they have to. this could not be considered a valid ground for fixing the assessment in accordance with the proposal, but they are at liberty to give up the lands at the proper time if they consider the assessment is too high.—

2.— Referring to the consideration of land in Goodoor, which it appeared might be brought into cultivation if the assessment were fixed moderately. I took particular pains to ascertain what could be done. deputed the 1st Assistant Sheristadar to the village, and visited the lands myself. The result was that I considered Rupees 21—10—10 was the lowest rate I could fix. pending the revision of the assessment which has since been sanctioned, and the Petitioners lands were assessed at the same rate. They are under the irrigation of the Goodoor tank and the Memorialists Memorandum (dated) the 3.— The only objection to giving Petitioners (sole) petition is that it was

not applied for at the time, and it is now so long after the lands were taken up finally the assessment the wet lands of the District having been reduced. No further reduction seems called for.—

Nellore Collector's Office. 12th February 1858. } (Signed) G. D. Dalton Collector

No. 30.

No. 9 S. Forbes Edgar Secretary to the Board of Revenue Fort St George.

B.P. 1044

From the Collr. of Bellary } Sir, In consequence of the anticipated protracted absence of the Sub Collector on leave for two months. I have the honor to request that Mr. Goldingham the Head Assistant, may be appointed to act as Sub Collector for Mr Arbuthnott from the date of Mr Arbuthnotts quitting his duties. as Mr Goldingham assumed charge of the Sub Collectorate at my request, and will therefore be entitled to any emolument of Office accruing

accruing from the Acting appoint=ment.—

Bellary,
Collector's Office
1st March 1858.

/ Signed / C. Pelly
Collector

No. 118.

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

B No. 1627.
From the Collector of Cuddapah

Sir

I have the honor to forward herewith three Petitions from a person named Sabayee Rama Reddy, two of which pray for the restoration of certain lands which belonged to his ancestors but which they have not enjoyed for many years, and the other referring to the Reddy ship of the Village of Eruppad in the Dowlaur Taluk.

2.— Sabayee Rama Reddy had been for a length of time at Madras and enquiry into his case could not be with=

in consequence of his absence. He was repeatedly requested to make his appearance in order that the investigation might be commenced. He arrived a short time ago and on the 6th Instant a Deputation was taken from him the purport of which, it is as follows.—

3.— He states that during the Government of the former Rajahs, his ancestors enjoyed an Enam in the town of Dowlaur and 42 Villages in the neighbourhood of the same Taluk and 16 Villages in Ramatagarum in the Bellary District and three other Villages, that in the time of Hyder Ally, those Villages were all resumed. that his father Pedda Reddy went to Colonel Munro at the time of Settlement and represented his circumstances stating that they had formerly enjoyed the said Villages which had since been resumed, the Colonel Munro desired him to produce any Sunnud in his possession but he did not know were they had been

been placed and could not produce them - that he followed Colonel Munro to Mysore and on presenting a Petition received an Endorsement that the Company would protect him if he produced the Summons his father shortly afterwards died. that he was a minor and time elapsed without the Summons being produced subsequently, in the Fasulee year a proclamation was issued that the holding Summons should produce them. He dug up all the books and found 2 Sataamuts. or Copper Plate copy of which it herewith sent and which was presented to Dajee Rauj then Thasildar of Coimbatore, who took a copy of them and sent to the Collector, whose name he does not remember, and what he did with it he does not know. that he Petitioned the Board of Revenue, the Governor and the English Government on the subject, when an order was issued to report and an Endorsement given to the effect that he should apply to the Rajahs people residing

residing at Nuggoondy regarding the particulars of the grant. that he accordingly obtained the information and presented it to Mr Russell and showed the endorsement to Mr. Blane, who told him that the villages are very large and it would be difficult for him to obtain their restoration, that he would recommend a Sunjee or Pension for him. a Mr Blane went to Russell, after which he represented his circumstance to Mr Lane, who likewise told him that he could not get the villages but that he had written and recommended for a Pension and on the answer being received he would let him know. No reply was received for four or five years. that ten or twelve years ago the Honorable Mr Walter Elliot, then Commissioner at Guntoor wrote to him to send a copy of the Sataamut. he sent a copy. what was done he does not know no order has been received up to the present time that he / the Petitioner / went

ment to Madras in Mullah year
/1858/ and presented Petition to the
Board and Government who gave
him an Endorsement desiring him
to produce his claim before the Col
=lector and he had sent the Endors
=ment and the Sasamum to the
Collector, that it would be well
either to restore him the usual
=Lagad or to bestow on him a suita
=ble Pension.—

It will be seen that the Enam has
been attached by Rakadus Sub.
-alias, Hyder Ally. this probably
took place between the year 1748
and 1782. probably the former, the
time when the Myanah Government
of Cuddapah was overthrown by
Hyder Ally and the latter was
the year in which Hyder died
supposing that the former was
the time when the Enam was
resumed, a period of 75 years has
elapsed since the Petitioner's
ancestors were in possession of the
Lands. In the Pymash and Tasawary accounts

Comp'd ER

and 8 the whole of the lands claimed by the
Petitioner are entered as Circar Agacut and not
mentioned in the Enamity Accounts. The Petitioner
further alludes to certain Petition and letters to
the Government and Board, but copies of those
Petitions have not been produced reference has also
been made to a letter said to be written by Mr Pavie
to the Board recommending a pension to the
Petitioner in lieu of the lands formerly resumed,
but this letter has not been found and it would
appear from the statement of the Petitioner that
no answer was received to it, so that it may
be doubted whether any such communication
did take place.

5 The Petitioner states that the name
of the individual entered in the Sasamum Viz.t,
Billapah Reddy, was his Grand Father in the
tenth degree.

6 This being the State of the
case, I shall enter no further into the enquiry
until

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until the Board intimate to me their wishes with regard to it It will be for the Board to take under their consideration the circumstances of the Villages being Ryfled by Hyder Ally and supposing this took place as above referred to in 1778, four years of Hyders reign and seventeen of his successors have elapsed without the Petitioner or his ancestors being in the enjoyment of the land, and 57 years they have been in the posession of the British Government whether the Petitioner is entitled to the restoration of his land or to a Pension is for the Boards consideration In my opinion if the length of the time that elapsed, he has no claim to either, but should the Government consider it advisable to bestow upon him a Pension it must be from their liberality and not from any actual right

Cuddapah
Collectors Office
20th November 1857

/Signed/ M. Murray
Collector

Encl:

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Enc: 1.

Endorsement on Petition No 12th of 1856.

Village of Corapand in Dowroy Talook.

	cP	F	as
Reddy Cadeem Enam	11	3	4
Cumburly ditto	33	6	4
	44	9	4

It appears that in the Pymash accounts, the Cadeem Enam is entered in the Name of Polymeriah Chenna Reddy &c that in the Enamity accounts of Fusly 1220, both the Cadeem and Cumburty Enams, Pagodas 44 9 4 are in the name of Chenna reddygary Dassee Reddy and Cateegary Yerra chenna Reddy, that when these two were formerly in the Missul they only enjoyed the Cumburty and not the Cadeem Enam, that they both have died, the second without issue, that the complainant Ramee Reddy is the brothers son of Chenna Reddy garee Dassee Reddy and other claimants, Veerah Reddy and Venkat Reddy are Brothers, sons to Dassee Reddy

Reddy, that after the demise of those entered in the Enamity accounts of Fusly 1220, the above complainant, Penna Reddy and a relative of his named Nagee Reddy were for some time in Mifsul, but they, like the two former individuals enjoyed only the Cumbarty Enam and not the Cadeem Enam.

It also appears that during the time Polymeira Chenna Reddy Vs. the parties entered in the Pymash accounts were in Mifsul and after them the present individuals/sons and Grand Sons of the above parties/and also one Vishna Reddy/one of the Defendants, said to be the Brother of Polymeira Reddy/Chenna Chinnagagaree Casavaloo, Aukalareddy/garee Kotanah and Ramakah Daughterinlaw of Manoogan appear to have been the principal parties who are enjoying the cadeem Enam and paying Jodee, but why the names of the individuals entered in the Pymash accounts and those of the individuals now under enjoyment were omitted in the Enamity accounts

cannot be ascertained It further appears from the Depositions given before the Thasildar by Ishwara Reddy Vs. and the Villagers, that no relationship exists between the parties entered in the Pymash and those entered in the Enamity accounts and that on a reference to the Hissawary Putty or list of Shares Kept by the Reddies and Curnums for Fusly 1255, the names of Ishwara Reddy Vs. only are entered for the cadeem Enam and not those of Dasayee Ramee Reddy

Under these circumstances the Collector do not consider the Petitioners any way entitled to the Enam claimed by him especially as they never enjoyed the cadeem Enam even when they were in Mifsul

Cuddapah
Collectors Office
20th November 1857

/Signed/ Mr. Murray
Collector

No 33

Official Memo:

Br. No 880
From the Actg Collector
of South Arcot

With reference to Docket forwarding 4 copies of Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 22d January last, the Acting Collector requests that the Board of Revenue will be so good as to furnish to him, if possible, for the use of the Subordinated Offices. 3 extra copies of their printed Proceedings of 15th July 1857 No 2400 and 19th November 1857 No 4044 only one copy of each of which has been received in this Office

x Received with C.O. 4th February 1858 No 491

Sindevanum
Coll.r 6th Cutcherry
24th February 1858

/ Signed / G.n N. Taylor
Acting Collector

To

J.n D. Sinn Esq.r
Actg Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

Br. No 489
From the Actg Collector
of Tanjore

Sir

I have the honor to forward

a translation and a copy of the late Acting Collectors order as required in your Boards Endorsement of the marginal date

x Petition No 7616 of 1857 28th May 1857

The Board have further

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required an expression of my opinion as to the propriety of the Sentence passed by my predecessor, the late Acting Collector Mr. Cherry in view of the facts appearing against the Petitioner

I should not have treated

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the matter as Mr. Cherry did. The points alleged by the Thasildar, to the detriment of the Petitioner, called for further investigation It seems to me that they were too readily accepted as established This is the view I take on some further communication with the present Thasildar The Petitioner however was a very young public servant and had no great claim to consideration He was I think too severely punished.

Tanjore
25th January 1858

/ Signed / H. D. Phillips
Ag. Collector
Translation

Fort Saint George 11th March 1858

Enc: 1

Translation of an order to the Thasildar of Tritoraycondy dated 22d September 1856.

Your arjee dated 16th Instant No 71 was received you state as follows.

The curnums of certain Vattums have taken a bad course and been in the habit of discadeing the Ineerasdars from paying their Kists holding out the prospect of remission of whatever portion of Government demand may be left in arrears The following is an instance.

Olangoo Settled Village

Auramoottiengar the curnam of Vayeamodoo Vattum, proceeded to thee Talook Cutcherry, with the Money he had realized up to the 31st August 1856 and had gone only a short distance when he returned home, as if he were assisting the Ineerasdars, such information having reached you. You questioned him, but he did not confess the circumstance However this curnam had collected from the 26th to 31st Rupees 19-2- of which he has

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has not given Kalchatoo for Rupees 4-. and of the Rupees 16-3- realized on the 1st and 2d September for Rupees 7-11- also the Kalchatoo has not been given and the aggregate amount of Collection, Rupees 35-6- has been paid in the Talook Treasury on the 4th Idem. There had been several orders issued to the curnams that the money collected should be transmitted to the Talook as soon as the collections are made, and a special order was sent to this and some other curnams to see that the collections made on the last date of the Month reach the Talook on the 1st of the next. In violation of these orders, this curnam detained Rupees 19-2- Collected upto the 31st August, for which he makes vain excuses. There is every reason to think that he retained for sometime the money with some similar intention, and then on second thought paid it into the Talook.

Talook. This man has been appointed Curnam since these 8½ months he was twice ordered to realize from the Incrasdars of the two Villages under his charge the arrears of Fusly 1266 amounting to Rupees 1700. and he himself executed an Mustachee to collect them but he failed so to do and in consequence a Nattoo curnam, has been since these two months specially appointed to make the collections.

Though this Curnam instigating objections are started for the payment of the arrears, and remission claimed in these Villages, in Common with those under Cuttoocottagay

He is influenced by bad motives

The Curnam did not act up to your orders that the Money Collected on the 30th Should be transmitted to the Talook on the 31st, he delayed the transmission, and he has not as he ought to have done, given entries in the Hatchaloo

Hatchaloo for certain sum at the time and his explanation on both these points are quite inadmissible. Far from Collecting the arrears / Rupees 1700 / of Fusly 1265. he has set up ungrounded claims for remission for these Villages in common with those of Kattoocottagay discription Besides it appears, that this curnam who set out to go to the Talook to deliver the money he had Collected, went back to his house with a view to assist the Incrasdars. To retain a man of such a character in public Service would be of no use as it appears from your arjee, he is therefore dismissed and his name shall be stricck off from the pay list from the 21st of this Month

/Signed/ J. W. Cheny
Acting Collector

/True Translation/
/Signed/ H. D. Phillips
Ag Collector

4021 Fort Saint George 11th March 1858

№ 27

To

Gn S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary Board of Revenue

Fort Saint George

Sir

Bd 8/10
From the Jr Collector of Tanjore

In acknowledging the receipt
of the communication marginally noted,
relative to the experimental Nellore Bulls
I have the honor to observe that I have not been
instructed as to the course I am to take in
respect of the animals now under my charge
who are creating a needless monthly outlay
of some Rupees 164.

Order № 428.
Dated 1st February 58

It is left to the Board in their discre-
tion, to decide whether they are to be disposed of in Tanjore
where there is no probability of a market for
them though there might be at Trichinopoly where
I had permitted myself to suggest that they
might be sold or whether they are to be transferred to
South Arcot.

Tanjore
Vellum 6th February 1858 } (Signed) H. D. Phillips

Jr Collector

4022 Fort St George 11th March 1858

№ 29

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St George

Sir

Bd Wm 824
From the Collector of
Trichinopoly ....

I have the honor to
acknowledge the receipt of your letter № 597
of the 10th Instant requiring me to submit
an estimate of the probable amount of
Revenue which may be sacrificed by
granting remissions on withered Poonjah
crops.

2. I purpose to apply the same
principles to the Poonjahs as are allowed
in the case of "Nunjah Shrewy" in this
District, namely that all loss above
ten per Cent upon a Ryots Cultivation
in his entire holdings no matter in
how many villages situated, be remitted

Any

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2. Any thing Coming within ten per. Cent to be Charged.

3. The accompanying Statement gives an approximation of the probable amount of Revenue likely to be lost this year from the destructions of the Crops in Fusly 1263 the present is high. But then this is a most adverse season for this has been no rain since the very beginning of November last.

Trichinopoly.....
Collectors Office....
18th February 1858.

Signed J. Bird
Collr

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Statement Showing the amount of Revenue of Pongul Lands the remissions on account of Fusly 1263 in the District of Trichinopoly

Amount of Estimated Revenue of Pongul Lands for Fusly 1263	Amount of Remissions on account of Fusly 1263	Average remissions allowed.
Rs a p	Rs a p	a p
11705 0 9	1537 13 2	
25795 15 9	35 5 8	" "
10054 7 2	" "	" "
34685 9 3	2 3 "	
10955 7 11	131 " "	
78726 1 11	2221 9 3	
78533 13 3	1892 4 4	
80079 7 5	680 15 6	
" " "	" " "	
430536 4 5	5401 2 11	

	Amount of Estimated Revenue of Pongul Lands for Fusly 1263	Amount of Remissions on account of Pongul Lands for Fusly 1263	Average remissions allowed.
	Rs a p	Rs a p	a p
Coimbatore	12119 " "	605 " "	
Vellore	27018 " "	1380 " "	
Madura	29132 " "	1455 " "	
Salem	23081 " "	1050 " "	
Combaconum	77788 " "	3885 " "	
Trichinopoly	51514 " "	2555 " "	
Madras Collery	87139 " "	4355 " "	
Arcot Zillah	95741 " "	4565 " "	
Vellore Zillah	42483 " "	2120 " "	
Madura Zillah	453835 " "	22760 " "	

Trichinopoly.
17th February 1858.

Signed J. Bird
Collector

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From Sr. J. Jer. 11th March 1858

B.R. 1866

Report upon the Travellers Bungalows in Trichinopoly for 18[illegible] prepared in the Form noticed in the Margin of the 23d Para of Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 8th October 1852 No.[illegible]

Road on which the Bungalow is Situated	Name of Bungalow	Whether Clean and in good order and Repair	Number of Travellers	By whom and when inspected	Remarks
Trichinopoly					
Contonment	Pooltoor - - - 1	In good order - - - - - - - - - - - -	29	Asst Currnum in January 1858	
	Samiaverum 2	Do Do - - - - - - - - - - - -	108	Police Annum Occasionally	
	Oottattoor 3	This Bungalow is rendered almost useless by the Trunk Road passing 2 miles west of it The Collector in his letter of the 26th April 1855 No. 63 recommended it to be Sold.			
Madras			1	Goomastah in December 1857	* This Bungalow has been furnished with Crockery Glass ware and Servants and the New Rules brought into operation from the 1st June 1857
	Soramungalum 4	In good order - - - - - - - - - - - -	57	Do Do - - - - - - - - - - - -	
	Valcondapooram 5	In good order - - - - - - - - - - - -	57	Do Do - - - - - - - - - - - -	
	Sergamboor 6	The line of Road on which this Bungalow is situated having been abandoned and the building rendered unavailable to travellers by the New line along the North bank of the Coleroon it was recommended by the Collector in his letter dated 26th April 1855 No. 63 to be Sold and in lieu another to be built at a convenient place for which Plan Estimate &c was submitted with a letter dated 22d December 1855 No. 235.			
Salem			12	Peshcar Occasionally	Furnitures in Bungalows Complete and in good order
	Moosery (new) 7	In good order - - - - - - - - - - - -	19	Collector in March 1857 and by the Tahsildar Occasionally	
	Do (old) 8	Ruined State - - - - - - - - - - - -	33	Tahsildar Dq	
	Pottiem 9	In good order - - - - - - - - - - - -			

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Road on which the Bungalows is situated	Names of Bungalows	Whether clean and in good order and repair.	Number of Travellers	By whom and when inspected	Remarks
Coimbatore upperroad Old Road	Nunganeramm — 10	These Buildings are abandoned and to new ones to be constructed on the new line of Road to Coimbatore viz one at Perogamany the other at Lallapett for which an Estimate was transmitted to the chief Engineer D. P. W. on the 22d December 1855 with reference to the Extract from his Proceedings No. 2897 dated the 4th of the same month and year.	2	Tahsildar in January 1858	The Roads on which these Bungalows are situated are frequented by Travellers, with the exception of the old Salem Road.
	Poodoopolliem — 11				
	Manaraiy — 12	In good Order	22	Do — in December 1857	
Tanjore —	Soowargoody — 13	Do — Do	30	Do — in	
	Nagarannungalum — 14	Do — Do	34	Head Curnum in January 1858	The District Engineer of Trichinopoly has been requested to make such repairs as are required by all the Bungalows.
Madura —	Civilpatty — 15	Do — Do	"	Do — in Do	
	Sowarenscoreiy — 16	Do — Do	44	Tahsildar — in July 1858	
Dindigul —	Manapparra — 17	Do — Do	78	Do — in Do	
	Kulpatty — 18	Do — Do	21	Do — in Do	
			5	Do — in Do	

Trichinopoly
4th March 1858

Signed J. Bird
Collector

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No 73

To,

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St George

Sir,

B. No 1085

From the Agt Collector of Madura

With reference to the Boards Circulars of the 27th February and 2d October 1857 No 623 and 3300, I have the honor to submit a revised Estimate of the amount I would fix for the annual Jeederward of this District. It will be observed that the present Estimate exceeds the average charges of the preceeding 5 years by Rupees 2148 and the existing fixed Sum by Rupees 2411 This excess is mainly owing to the use of foreperin stead of Canjam for the New Forms of Village accounts as exhibited in the last Column of the Statement. The prices of some articles have since risen, and the frequent complaints of Tahsildars of the inadequacy of the amount now allowed for District Jeederwards have also been taken into Consideration.

It is not probable that this Estimate will be

Madura

8th March 1858

Signed A. Parthasarathy

Ag Collector

Copy

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Fort St George 11th March 1858.

No 98

To

J. D. Sein Esqre

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St George

B. No 1355.

From the Collector of Tinnevelly

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 20th January last requiring information on the several points therein mentioned relative to the Share of the life grant held by the deceased Gopalachary, I have the honor to inform you that the life grant in question was as appears from Mr Cotton's Hindoo Register of Enams, originally conferred in 937 Annos on one Gopalachary alias Paloor Iyengar marked A in the accompanying Genealogical tree, but the records of this Office do not show by whom the grant was made, still it appears from the date of the grant above referred to, to have been granted by the Carnatic Government.

2. After the death of the Original

original grantee, the Enam, is stated to have been enjoyed by his 5 sons marked B to F of whom C D and E having died without issue, B and F were enjoying the entire Enam till their death, when it descended to G H & I of whom, I having died without issue the whole Enam, was enjoyed by G & H. On their death, it came to the enjoyment of their sons from J to M, but the portion enjoyed by each of the above Individuals, and the period during which they enjoyed, are not ascertainable from the records of this Office.—

3. Of the 4 Incumbents J. K. and M above referred to, J and M having died, the Enam devolved on K L & and N who enjoyed it in 3 shares as particularized in the margin on the 3d January 1823 the grand Enam in question was registered in the names in the proportion shown marginally by the Auditor

K 3/6 Share of the grant As a p
L 2/6 — of ——— Do — 14 — — —
N 1/6 — of ——— Do — 7 — — —
Total Amount of Grant 1 3 — — —

Auditor in No 1353. While they were accordingly enjoying their respective shares, K having died, his 3/6 share was on the 11th October 1855 continued to his son Anchary Pattra Issey marked O. On the demise of L, which took place on the 1st November 1846, his 3/6 share of the grant was continued in the names of his 3 sons P and Q in two equal shares. Afterwards N having died without issue, his 1/6 share was annexed to that of O on the 1st April 1853 thereby making the latter's share equal to 4/6 of the entire grant. Afterwards in conformity with the remarks contained in the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated the 3d June 1853 that it does not seem necessary to enter the shares of each members, but that of the present head of the Family to whom the others should be directed to look for their shares, the entire Enam in question was entered in the

Statement

Statement No. 2 of Enam paid by deductions from the Kistbundy Berij forwarded to the Board of Revenue under Date the 18th March 1854 in the name of Gopalachary marked 2 in the Genealogical Table, his name having stood at the head in the account received from the Talook:-

4. The continuance of the Enam to the incumbents named in the above referred to Statement having been sanctioned by Government in Extract Minutes Consultation 19th August 1854, the necessary orders to disburse the Enam in question to Gopalachary after the same manner as in the case of other Enams embraced by the Statement, were issued to the Tahsildars of the Bramondadum Talook, in October 1854 - November following, the Tahsildar commenced to make payment of the Enam as directed. When Ruchary Pantulu Jagey

Jagey marked O having preferred a complaint to the Sub Collector, to whose Division his Village belongs, that he is the head of the Family, and that the entire allowance should therefore be disbursed to him, or rather through him, an enquiry was instituted, and the result having shewed that he was the head of the Family, and not Gopalachary above alluded to, his name was ordered by my Predecessor Mr Bird to be entered in the accounts, and the entire Enam continued to him under date the 22d February 1856.-

5. Tho' tho' the entire Enam was once entered in the name of Gopalachary as the head of the Family, it was never disbursed to him as such in consequence of the above mentioned circumstances.

6. With respect to Para 3 of your letter under acknowledgement I beg to inform

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informs you that the allowance has all along been subsisted, and enjoyed by the Lineal descendants of the original grantee in shares as stated in the preceding para.

6. With regard to the observation of the Board in Para 3 of their letter under reply that it was irregular on the part of the late Collector, after Gopalachary's death, to enter the allowance in the name of Anchary Ruttun jasey without previous sanction, I beg to acquaint you that as Anchary Ruttun jasey had as stated above, preferred his claim, while Gopalachary was alive, to the entire Enam being disbursed to him or rather through him as the head of the Family, and had adduced proof to that effect, my Predecessor appears to have ad-

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the payment of the Enam to the claimant Anchary Ruttun jasey on the 32d February 1853.-

7. Under these circumstances, and as under the terms of the above quoted Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated the 8th June 1852 the entire Enam is to lapse to Government at the death of the head of the Family, the share enjoyed by Gopalachary, viz Rupees 7- was not presumed at his death, which took place on the 10th December 1854.

I am
Sir
Your most obedient
Servant
31st March
1857

Signed J. Silver
Collector

Genealogical

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of Customs dismissed for misconduct but since the receipt of the Board's Circular dated 25th November 1852, pre-ference is generally given in filling up the vacancies in the above Offices to parties who are the heirs of the deceased incumbents, should they prefer their claims in time, and prove to be competent for the posts under any manifest objection exists in a case where the appointment of a next heir would render the dismissal of the Customs Mungatoy as a punishment. Strangers are appointed in those cases in which the heirs of the Original Customs fail to prefer their claim, or when preferring they prove to be ineligible for the Office.

3. The Petitioners father was dismissed in Fusly 1242, and as Chockalingum

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Chockalingum Pillay the present incumbent was nominated in 1851 or previous to the date of the above circular, and as he is not incapacitated by infirmity for the performance of his duty as stated by the Petitioner, his (Petitioners) claims will be taken into consideration, when a vacancy in the above Office takes place. There does not appear to be any cause or reason for superseding the present incumbent.

I am etc.

Signed J. Silver
Collector.

31st December 1857

Enc: 1

To

J. Silver Esqre
Collector of Tinnevelly

Sir,

With reference to the Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue under date the 23d October last, copy of which was received with your letter of the 30th Idem, I have the honor to inform you that the Board

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Board Petitioner's father Soobramonea Pillay was employed as Curnum of Madippanoor Pillage from Fusly 1311 to Fusly 1342, when he was dismissed for embezzling 43 Rupees of Government Revenue. The Office of Curnum in this an unsettled District was never considered hereditary - From Fusly 1342 to Fusly 1356, the Office was held by two different persons unconnected with the family of Soobramonea Pillay, and lastly in Fusly 1357, one Pitchandia Pillay, who was the Number Curnum of seven a Pillage in Shermadevy Talook was transferred to Madippanoor. He died in Fusly 1361. At the request of his widow, and an aged Mother, both of whom were left without support, Pitchandia Pillay's brother-in-law, Chockalingum Pillay the present Curnum was appointed on the 5th April 1851.

Nagalapooram
15th December 1859 - P.S.

/ Signed / H. A. Lewinge
Sub. Collector

The Board Petition No 1163 of 1857 is herewith returned.

/ True Copy /
/ Signed / J. Silver
Collector

Comp. E. R.

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No 29

To

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

B. No. 1989
From the Sub Collector
of Malabar - - - } Sir

I have the honor to request that leave of absence under Section XII of the absentee rules may be granted me for one month from the date of making over charge to the Sub Collector.

I should not have applied for leave at this time, had not the medical officer whom I have had to consult strongly urged on me the necessity of a little relaxation in the present state of my health before the rains.

Business is well advanced and I propose availing myself of the leave so as to admit of my return before the close of the official year, so that no delay may in despatching the annual report

may take place. —

4 I will rejoin the District within 36 hours should the slightest necessity arise, of which I will take care that I am kept informed by Telegraph

Calicut — — 6th March 1858 } /Signed/ W. Robinson
Acting Collector

No. 121

To

The Secretary
to the Revenue Board

B. No. 744
From the Military Auditor General } Sir

With reference to G. O. G. dated 15th April 1831, conferring a grant of land in Jaggin on the late subadar Major Syed Hoosain Khan Bahadar Nusrut Jung, I have the honor to request the Revenue Board will have the goodness to inform me at their early convenience if the above grant was for two or more lives, or if it ceased with his own life, to enable me to complete a report called for by Government

Government on a Petition from his widow that the Pension granted to his son and nearest Heir, may be continued to her subsequently to the son's death in June last. —

Military Auditor General's Office — Fort St. George — 13th February 1858 — } /Signed/ J. J. Losh
Military Auditor General

No. 7218

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

Fort St. George
Under date the 5th February 1858

Read the following letter

No. 1194 of 1857/58. —

B. No. 625
From the Supdg. Engr. in charge Central Cutcherry } Sir

To
Colonel C. E. Faber
Chief Engineer D. P. W.

In enclosing copies of two papers as per margin, received by me from Captain Palmer, Executive Engineer in this District I have the honor to request your decision on the point referred to in para 4 of that Officer's letter — The question is this, whether the individuals who hold certain enams on the condition of repairing certain tanks

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are under the authority of this, or of the Revenue Department also whether the Officers of this Department have the power of calling on them to perform the repair to the tanks in question.

Cuddapah —
District Engrs. Office
Camp Tadcherla —
27th January 1858 —

/ Signed / J. H. M. S. Stewart Lieut.
Aff. District Engineer of Cuddapah

No. 93 of 1858

To

The Acting District Engineer of Cuddapah.

Sir,

I have the honor to bring to your notice, that a certain number of Waddars are attached to each of the 1st Class Tanks, in my range, as per Memo enclosed whereby an Enam for the purpose of effecting certain petty periodical repairs to those Tanks, and whose services I am informed, were always available in the execution of Estimates under the old Maramut System, the value of their work being duly credited to Government.

II In my Diary and Ordinary remarks for the month of February 1857, copies of which are herewith forwarded, I pointed out the inutility of their work on the Pedda Tippasamooram Tank, and I would suggest the propriety of their labours being properly directed —

III In framing my estimate, I made due allowance for their assistance, but on commencing the work, the Widdars were found to be absent, and a question as to their liability to be so employed has arisen. Under these circumstance, I

IV shall feel much obliged by your referring the matter for the decision of the Chief Engineer, should you deem it necessary the point at issue being whether these men are subordinate to the Revenue authorities, or to the Department of Public Works.

Dy. Engineers Office
Cuddapah District
Camp Cumbumdoo
18th January 1858

/ Signed / G. Palmer Lt. Captain
Acting Ex. Engineer 1st Class
/ True Copy / H. M. S. Stewart Lieut.
/ Signed / Aff. Distt. Engr. of Cuddapah

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List shewing the number of persons with Buffaloes holding Enams under 1st Class Tanks or Saroo Talaes pertaining to the Talook of Muddenpully

Name of Villages	Name of Tanks	Persons	Buffaloes	Assessment Rupees	Enam	
Rungasumodrum	Pedda Tank	10	10	115	14	11
Pedda Tippa-sumodrum	Do.	12	12	169	6	3
Cund Koor	Vyasasumodrum Tank	18	18	597	3	0
Gutto, Chudum	Pedda Tank	6	6	35	11	8
	Total	46	46	918	6	10

Ec- Engineer Office
Cuddapah District
Camp Caulamudgoo
18th January 1858

/ A true Copy /
/ Signed / W. H. M. S. Stewart, Lieut
Acting Engineer
/ Signed / G. Palmer Bt Capt
Acting Ec- Engineer 3d Class

Resolved

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Resolved to forward copies of the foregoing correspondence, relating to the employment of Waddars, holding Service Enams in Cuddapah, on the repair of the Tanks to which those grants are attached, for the consideration of the Board of Revenue, with the chief Engineer's request that the question may be decided, whether the services of those Enamdars are at the disposal of the District Engineer as Colonel Faber would believe.

/ A true Extract
/ Signed / C. Lawford, Major
in charge of the Central Circle
No. 6461

To
The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir,

By desire of the chief Engineer I have the honor to submit for the information of the Board of Revenue, an extract from the "General Observations" for the month of November 1857, made by Mr. H. B. Smith Acting

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Acting Executive Engineer of Kurnool, regarding the injurious effects on the roads of the solid stone wheel Carts in use in that District, and to request the favor of the Board's advise as to the steps to be taken to remedy the evil.

Extract.

10 "The road between Calvak-
"and Paneem had been cut up in some
"places by the wood Carts with stone wheels
"such Carts ought to be prevented going
"along a road immediately after a shower
"of rain 47 such Carts were counted going
"from Onacul to Kurnool immediately
"after a good shower of rain, and the
"road was so cut up that foot passengers
"could hardly travel"

Central Office of P. W.
Fort St. George
7th January 1858

(Signed) H. A. D'M. Captain
A.E. Supt. Engr. Circle

Received

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Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous letters and Statement.

M. N. 563 From the Collector of Guntoor:— Return under Regulation IX of 1822 for January 1858.

M. N. 564 From the Collector of North Arcot.— Return under Regulation IX of 1822 for February 1858

M. N. 566 From the Collector of Guntoor.— Return of Village Officers under Regulation VI of 1831 suspend or dismissed in January 1858.

M. N. 565 From the Collector of Malabar.— Return of Public Servants suspend or dismissed during the 3d Quarter of 1857.

M. N. 561 From the Collector of Tanjore.— Register of Petitions referred for disposal for January 1858.

M. N. 562 From the Collector of North Arcot.— Register of Petitions referred for disposal for February 1858.

M. N. 559 From the Collector of Guntoor.— Bullion Statement for January 1858.

From

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Mr. No. 560
From the Collector of South Arcot. — Bullion State=ment for February 1858

Mr. No. 557
From the Collector of Vizagapatam. — Demand Collection and Balance Statement for February 1858. —

Mr. No. 556
From the Collector of Trichinopoly. — Demande Collection and Balance a Statement for February 1858. —

Mr. No. 558
From the Collector of Malabar. — Demand Collection and Balance Statement for February 1858. —

Mr. No. 568
From the Collector of Salem. — Certain entries to be added to Demand Collection and Balance Statement of Revenue for February 1858.

Mr. No. 567
From the Collector of Kurnool. — Rain Report for February 1858. —

Mr. No. 569
From the Collector of Madura. — Statement of receipt and disbursement in the Sea Custom Department at Ramnad in February 1858. —

Proceedings

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Friday the 12th. March 1858.

Read the following Papers

No. 195

To

J. D. Sim Esqr.

Secretary to the Bd. of Revenue
Fort St. George

Bd. No. 265
From the Cly. Collr. of Ganjam

Sir,

I have the honor with reference to the Endorsement on Petition No. 8049 of 1857 to state that the land referred to in it is now waste and has never as far as I know been cultivated, it is stony worthless soil unfit for the plough and the man suffers any loss or in any way been entitled to remuneration I would not have withheld it

Ganjam District
Collector's Circuit Office
Berhampore 31st Dec. 1857

[Signed] W. Knox
Acting Collector

No. 5

To

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

Bd. No. 387
From the Collr. of Rajahmundry

Sir,

I have the honor, with reference to

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to my letter of the 7th May last notifying the suspension of Mohomed Abdool Rahaman Tahsildar of Rajahmundry, to report that the principal party in regard to whose suspension the Tahsildar so grossly failed in his duty gave himself up in the Month of September last. He was placed on his trial for forgery and has been convicted of the crime charged against him.

2. Nothing has transpired to induce me to take a less unfavorable view of Mahomed Abdool Rahaman's conduct than I did at first. There is no doubt at all that he had exerted himself in the least he could at all events have secured the above named individual whom he admitted to the Judge he had seen the morning he received instructions communicated to him personally to apprehend him.

3. Proof that the Tahsildar was actuated by venal motives is wanting but his conduct was unquestionably very suspicious, and there is strong reason to believe the great influence of the principal culprit in the forgery not to have tended to

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himself had previously been tried and convicted, was brought to bear to allow the escape of the two accomplices, one of whom being the party alluded to in the 1st Para.

4 On another matter the Tahsildar disobeyed orders given him by me to forward a member of the same family, against whom a Charge had been preferred to another Tahsildar for engaging. His conduct generally as Tahsildar was marked by a want of energy and attention to duty. He has now been sometime under suspension and though I do not think there are sufficient grounds to warrant his removal altogether from employment I am of opinion that he ought no longer to be permitted to hold the Office of Tahsildar. I have therefore appointed him to the Duragaship of the Sonny Division on a salary of 40 Rupees per Mensem and I trust the arrangement will receive the sanction of the Board.

Rajahmundry District,
Collector's Office
Dwarampoody 15 January 1858

Signed J. Purvis
Collector

No. 14

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

Sir,

In returning the accompanying Petition

Bd. No. 313
From the Collr. of
Chingleput

4057 Fort St. George 12th March 1858.

Petition No. 4006 of 1857 bearing the Board's Endorsement dated the 11th Ultimo, I have the honor to report for their information that a copy of the Instrument applied for by the Petitioner was refused in this Department for the following reasons 1st that his forefathers or those to whom the Mootah had been originally granted had a summed Patimirar given them which would or ought to have been transmitted to him when he came into the possession of the Zemindar 2dly that Copies of English Documents cannot be granted without the authority of Government and thereby that the purpose for which the summed was sought was to involve Government in suits regarding their right to unclaimed property which heretofore never been questioned.—

2. The Zemindar merely collects the land tax in lieu of the Government and can have no right whatever to unclaimed property found on the limits of his estate which clearly belongs to the state should the Board however think that a Copy of the summed may be given him. I see no further objection in its being withheld

Chingleput District
Collector's Cutcherry
Chingleput 10th January 1858

Signed C. J. Shubrick
Collector &c

4058 Fort St. George 17th March 1858.

No. 37.

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

Bd. No. 598 From the Collector of Chingleput } Sir,

Referring to Extract from Minutes of Consultation No. 155 of the 28th Ultimo forwarded by the Board in Extract No. 381 of the 29th Idem. I have the honor to report that Mrs. Dunlop, the owner of the two Bungalows at the Mount, has written to me that she consents to accept Rupees 4,000-0-0 for them and that I have instructed the District Engineer that he may pull them down forthwith, and proceed to the erection of the Family Barrack Rs.

2 These two Bungalows are held under leases from Government dated 29th November 1853 and registered in the Office of the Registrar of Government Grants

One

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One of the conditions of the Cases being that they may be appropriated to the use of Government whenever so required on their fair and full value being paid the value to be fixed by the Government Engineer, or should that be demurred to, by the Governor in Council. The value put by the District Engineer was Rupees 3,593-10-5, calculated as I understand, from Lieutenant Moberly by deducting, according to certain recognized rules, any existing want of repairs, and a certain sum annually for deterioration since the Bungalows were erected, from the sum they were estimated to have originally cost in building and I therefore do not consider the sum as Red by Mrs. Dunlop as any thing out of the way. It is scarcely one seventh more than the value put by the District Engineer while I think she might fairly have as Red

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as Red, and expected to receive one forth for the summary deprivation of her Property.

3 I beg to recommend that sanction may be given for the disbursement of Rupees 4,000 for the Bungalows in question.

4. It appears from a letter from Mrs. Dunlop that Mr. A.H. Peris of Vepery, and Quarter Master Bunbridge of the Nizams Artillary are interested in these Bungalows, on her death, and that Captain W. Parson of the Ordnance Department is the Executor to her late husband's Will. Decision has therefore to be made as to who is to receive the Rupees 4000 for the Bungalows. I have written to Mr. Peris and Quarter Master Bunbridge, and also to Captain Parson to

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to know if they consent to Mr.
Dunlop receiving the money,
and Signed that I
may be permitted on
receiving their replies
to send the opinions
and evidence of the
Honorable Company's
Solicitor regarding the
payment.

Chingleput District
Collector's Cutcherry
Sydapet 3d February 1858.

I have &c.
Signed C. Boileau
Collector

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No. 14

To

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

Bd. No. 209
From the Gr. Collr.
of Tanjore
Herewith returned

Sir,

I have the honor to reply to
your Board's Proceedings dated the 12th
November 1857 No. 3980, on a Petition from
Palayapeper Tumbiram styling himself the
Durmakurtah and Stanee Kurn of Tevur-
rajaswamy Devestanam in Talook Cobaconum
2 It is Petitioners complaint
that the Collector has appointed one Soma-
sundram to the Office of Stanee Kurn and
made over to him certain Survahmanyam
lands appertaining to that part of the
Payoodee administration which is termed
the Rajun Cuttay
There has been no interference
3 in my Office either with the removal of the
Petitioner or with the appointment in his
stead of Somasundram as Petitioner alleges
The power of displacing from
4 and nominating to the Office of Stanee Kurn
belongs to the superior controlling Tumbiram
of

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of the Durmapooram mutt and by that Tambiran in the case under notice, it has been exercised.

5 Under ministerial arrangements made by that Authority, the Petitioner for certain immoral conduct, which had led to his previous commitment to the Criminal Court was transferred from the Stane Rum of the Pojum Cuttay to that of Trivadanum and in his stead Somasundram was elected by the Mutt.

6 By virtue of this arrangement in which the Collector had no concern whatever Somasundrum obtained possession of the Swrvahmanyam lands belonging to the Office to which he succeeded.

7 The Petitioner, however was left in the enjoyment of certain Inams which, whilst in Office he had managed to purchase with money stated to be part of the Devastanum funds - As however these purchases had been registered in his own name, I declined to touch them and left the Mutt Officials to seek a remedy by civil Action -

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8 My order referred to by the Board was requisite owing to the Petitioner having claimed the interference of this Office for the restoration to himself of the lands which he had held only by virtue of his previous position as Stane Rum of the Mutt with which under the effect of his displacement by the superior Tambiran, he had, no longer any Official concern

9 The Devastanum in question is situated not in the Cambaconum, but the Trivul

Tanjore Collectors Office William 21st January 1858.

Signed J. D. Phillips
Ag. Collector

No. 18.

To,

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

Sir

Bd. No. 570
From the Collector of Trichinopoly.

Read. As directed by the order passed on Petition No. 4090 of 1857 and dated the 4th Instant I do myself the honor to furnish a report

2 Petitioner claims the Curnamship of

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of the Village of Ayenoothemungulum to which he has no title whatever being merely a Joomastah, and Employed as such during the Minority of the incumbent

3 The record of the case shews that one Murrodanaigum Moodely held the Office of Curnem originally, that in 1853 he was nominated a Joint Curnem of Moosery Talook and his son in law Cunnayeya Moodely named in his stead

4 This individual who was a Minor at the time, and Petitioner was directed to perform the Curnem duty as Joomastah. He did so perform the duty until August 1853, when the incumbent being Competent, Petitioner was removed, and directed to give up the Village accounts. He has no claim

Trichinopoly
Collector's Office,
29th January 1858

/Signed/ A. Bird
Collector

To

Copied

Fort St. George 12th March 1858.

No. 244.

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

Sir,

Agreeably to the provisions of
Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
under date 8th March 1856 Revenue Department
No. 235 I have the honor to submit herewith for the
sanction of your Board an Estimate amounting
to Rupees (20) forty for Cloth &c. required for
the belts of Peons attached to this Court, and
to request that when passed you will have
the goodness to return me the same.

/Signed/ W. E. Sullivan
Acting Subordinate
Judge.

Dft No. 4864.
From the Acting Subordinate Judge of Madura

Madura,
Subordinate Court
21st November, 1856.

An Estimate No. 1 for preparing 20 Belts for Peons attached to the Subordinate Court of Madura.

3¾ Yards of Purple Cloth at 2½ Rupees per Yard at 3/16 Yards for each Belt for 20 Peons Vizt. 1 Court Duffadar 2 Delayets 11 Court Peons 1 Jail Jamadar and 3 Jail Duffadars	}	16 — 14 — a.
2½ Yards of Scarlet Cloth at 4½ Rs. per Yard for binding Do. - - - - -	}	11 — 4 — a.

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40 Yards of Broad Tape - - - - - 5-10-0
Tailors here at 5 annas per Belt - - 6-4-0
Total Rupees 40-0-0

Forty.

Madura, - - - -
Subordinate Court,
21st November, 1856.

/Signed H. B. Sullivan
Actg Subordinate Judge

No. 32

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

Sir,

Bd. No. 653.
From the Actg Collr of Madura - - -

I have the honor to request the instructions of the Board as to whether it is meant by the Circular Order Fowjdaree Adalut dated 26th June 1856, to which the Board's Circular Order 9th July 1856, applies, that the rent for all Enam lands, including those which are annexed to various Offices as wages for the performances of public services is to be recovered by a Civil action.

Vide III Circular Order S. R. 12th July 1858.

2. If so, it appears to me that Village Officers, who receive land in lieu of money as a compensation for their services are exposed to much inconvenience and it appears, that the prevalent impression that in such

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such is the case, has in this District induced the Cultivators in many instances to decline to pay it.

3. In many Villages the Cultivators possess the Coodyaram right.

Madura,
2d February
1858.

/Signed A. Kathaway.
Actg Collector.

No. 39.

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

Sir

Bd. No. 666.
From the Actg Collr of Madura - - -
18th January 1858.

I have the honor to enclose copy of a letter from the Acting Sub Collector and under the circumstances therein stated to recommend the grant of an allowance of 5 Rupees per Imasem to the concubine of the late Dobalacondama Naick the Guardian and Uncle of the Minor Zemindar of Ayagoody.

2. Of the fixed amount allowed for the maintenance of the Minor there is a surplus of 562 Rupees per annum.

Madura,
5th February 1858.

/Signed A. Kathaway
Actg Collector.

To

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No. 8.

To

A. Hathaway Esqre

Acting Collector of Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to lay before you the enclosed Petition for submission to the Court of Wards if you think it expedient to do so.

The Petitioner it appears from the report* of the Manager, was under the protection of the late Oobalacondama Naick, and bore a small child to him now about 12 years of age by name Balasoobramanien - Her only means of support is 17 Goolies of Nunjah land and 6½ Goolies of Coonjah in the Ayagoody which she was permitted to cultivate by the deceased and for which she pays tasc.

The deceased made no other permanent provision for her during his life time and the land is not sufficient for her maintenance.

The Manager recommends that she should be granted a pension of 5 Rupees Fees Inensem from the Estate, a sum it appears to me not more than is necessary to enable her to live with the land she has and to bring up her son. It would seem that she receives no assistance from the widows of the

* Sent with 2 Enclosure to be returned

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deceased or ostensibly from any of the members of the family, but I understand the Minor Zemindar has taken notice of her and does not betray any desire to repudiate the claims she has on him from her connection with his late Guardian.

Signed D. R. Cockerell
Ag. Sub Collector

Dindigul, 16th January 1858.

(True Copy)
Signed A. Hathaway.
Ag. Collector.

No. 262

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the Court of Wards

Fort St. George.

Sir,

With reference to the Proceedings of the Court dated the 20th Ultimo No. 250-

I have the honor to inform you that the late Zemindar of Shevagunga granted the Village Maravetty aindel to Mootoo Naick in 1826 on perpetual Cowle with a fixed Quit rent of 23-5-5- do. as P. The extent under cultivation at the time of the grant was only 1 3/16 chey as about 1½ Cawnies yielding an average revenue of 12-3-1 to which the Zemindar added

Bd. No. 696

From the Ag. Coll. of Madura - - - - 1.

Affords further information in regard to the Village of Maravetty aindel granted on perpetual Cowle to one Mootoo Naick by the late Zemindar of Shevagunga with reference to the Proceedings of the Court dated 20th January 1858.

added Rupees 11-2-4 payable on account of the remaining waste lands to the extent of about 1½ Cheys.

2. The grantee accordingly held enjoyment of the Village for 3 years, when the Estate coming under the management of the Court of Wards it was attached with all other alienations of the Zemindar-

3. It was shewn on enquiry made in consequence of an application from the claimant for restoration that he had already laid out Rupees 102 in the improvement of the Tank and that in consequence the cultivation has since increased to 7 Cheys Nunjah and 3 Cheys Nunjah mail Poonjah and the remainder could not be brought under irrigation without a further outlay of 350 Rupees-

4. Under these circumstances as the Cowle appeared to me to have been granted under valid grounds I was justified in admitting the grant but while doing so was persuaded that the Revenue derivable from

from the Village should in no way fall short of the assets fixed thereon at the time of the Istimrar which was 27-2-0 or Rupees 3-10-7 as a. in excess of the amount stipulated by the grant- The party agreed to pay also the difference and I have ordered restoration of the Village-

Madura, 6th February, 1858.

(Signed) A. Hathaway
Ag. Collector.

No. 40.

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

Sir,

B. No. 506
From the Collector of Tinnevelly
Reporting upon Petition No. 1820 of 1857

With reference to Extract from Proceedings dated the 3rd December 1857 enclosing Petition No. 1820 of 1857 and the Boards requesting me to report whether the property of Meerasidars has been attached to whom the Government Pattahs have hitherto been given, and whether Chartoorbagum has been allowed on the Pattahs in question I have the honor to report as follows-

The

2 The Village of Dalapady Samoodrum, to which the hamlets mentioned in the Petition are attached is a Pungoovaly one, and the Puttahs from Fusly 1235 when the System of granting them was first introduced in this District to Fusly 1240, were being granted to the Meerasidars or Pungalies they being the proprietors of the land &c^a and since fusly 1241 Puttahs have been issued for the Nunjah and Poonjah lands and a portion of the Palmiras and Topes in the names of the Meerasidars and for the rest of the Palmyrahs and Tope trees in the names of the Poorsagoodies, agreeably to an agreement entered into by the parties in the years abovementioned -

3 The annual Berij of Dalapady Samoodrum is Rupees 5/145-7-10 as exhibited in Item III Col 3 of the accompanying explanatory Statement inclusive of Chatoorbagum and Inamiem shewn in Item IV Column 3 The remittance on account of Chatoorbagum and Inamiem are never specified in the Puttahs, but deducted by the Meerasidars from the Rist† due by themselves, and from that Collected by them from the Poorsagoodies° the balance being paid to Government from this it will be seen that

† Item III Col 1
° Item III Col 2
° Item IV Col 3.

that the Chatoorbagum is not allowed on the Puttahs - The Marginal Memorandum shews the amount of Chatoorbagum that is deducted from the Berij payable by the Pungalies &c, and Poorsagoodies respectively -

Memo:

Chatoorbagum to be deducted from the Berij payable by the Pungalies - - - - - - - - - - 210-14-5.

Do. Do. from Do. by the Poorsagoody Ryots who are Petitioners — 155-6-6

366-4-11.

4. In Fusly 1265 the Meerasidars having fallen into arrears the Tahsildar &c, attached their property but as it appeared from the Zuft account submitted by him that the Chatoorbagum share was also included in the amount of arrears, he was ordered to exclude the same from it, and to attach so much of their property, as would be sufficient for the realization of the arrear of Rist - In the interim however the Rist was paid by the Meerasidars, and the attachment withdrawn -

5. In the same years and in Fusly 1266, the Poorsagoodies also having withheld payment of Teerwah on Palmirahs for which they receive Puttahs direct from Government as stated above claiming the Chatoorbagum share for themselves

themselves and refusing payment unless this was allowed them, the personal property of 44 of them, was hufted, and was by my orders dated 8th September and 14th October 1857 directed to be sold but as 21 of them immediately paid the arrears the effects of the remaining 23 only were sold - No property belonging to the Meerasidars was touched on account of arrears due on the part of the Petitioners as supposed by the Board, and the arrears for which the Petitioners property was sold do not include "Savamybogum" to the Meerasidars, as alledged by Petitioners -

6. The records shew that the Meerasidars alone are entitled to the Chatoorbagum, and not the Poorapoodies; and an Endorsement to this effect was given to the Petitioners on the 8th September 1857. It would seem that the Petitioners kept back this Endorsement and did not submit it for the information of the Board; and that they prefer their claim to the Chatoorbagum on

on the ground that it was directed to be excluded, when the attachment of the Meerasidars property took place - The copy of the order dated 20th November 1856 forwarded by the Petitioners to the Board and herewith retransmitted and the aforesaid Endorsement of which a copy translation is now sent, will shew at once the question of right to the Chatoorbagum -

7. One of the Petitioners whose property was sold on account of the arrears due to Government as abovementioned, instituted a Suit in the Principal Sudr Ameen's Court against myself the Head Sheristadar and others of the Revenue Officers, but as the preliminary proceedings allowed in the lower Court, were both irregular and objectionable I have brought the subject of this Suit before the Civil Court -

Tinnevelly, 25th January 1858. } (Signed) J. Silver
Collector.

No 1

Translation of an Endorsement passed on Petition No. 1026 of 1857.

The Petitioners state that their personal property has been attached for arrears of Revenue, that they too are entitled

entitled to the Chattoorbagum which is deducted on account of the Gramatars or Shareholders of the Village that remain this, the difference of arrears should be collected, that the fact of the Petitioners being entitled to the Chattoorbagum is entered in a paper received from Madras in 1814 and 1828 containing certain questions and that the copy thereof which is among the Huzzoor Records may be inspected and orders given accordingly-

The Hoozoor Record Keeper was required to produce this paper if any such be forth coming whereupon he submitted one bearing date in 1814 or Fasly 1225, with a report dated 29th August, that a paper alleged to bear date in 1828, is not to be found

The paper containing replies to the Queries received from Madras in 1814 contains 21 Columns- A reference to it shows that the Meerasidars of the Village in question consist of 19 Bramins and 2 Vellalurs making 21 in all and that the Chattoorbagum deducted the Poonjah Garden, Palmirah and Mohatta assessments as well as the Nadacoorus or compensation for planting Palmirahs appertaining

pertaining to the Meerasidars belongs to them and not to the Petitioners, and other shareholders The Petitioners request therefore to deduct the Chattoorbagum and Collect the rent of the arrears from them cannot be complied with-

The Tahsildar has been directed to sell the property under attachment in the event of the arrears not being discharged

Pencauvery
8th September 1857

[Signed] J. Silver
Collector

(True Translation)
[Signed] Silver
Collector
Statement

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No. 2 Statement shewing the amount of Beriz payable by the Pungalies and the Pooragoodies of Dalapady Vamoodrum Village and the amount of Remissions made therefrom—

		Amount of Beriz on the lands &c. for which Puttahs are in the names of the Pungalies			Amount of Beriz on the Palmirahs &c. for which Puttahs are in the names of the Pooragoodies			Total Beriz		
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
I	Land	4,166	13	9	"	"	"	4166	13	9
	Palmirah and Tope	306	11	3	969	5	"	1,276	"	3
		4473	9	"	969	5	"	5,442	14	"
II	Deduct remission on account of Nadacorroo or Planting Palmirahs	71	13	4	225	8	10	297	6	2
III	Difference exhibited in the Patta	4401	11	8	743	12	2	5,145	7	10
IV	Deduct Chatoorbagum	"	"	"	"	"	"	366	4	11
	Manium	"	"	"	"	"	"	407	13	6
		"	"	"	"	"	"	774	2	5
		"	"	"	"	"	"	4,371	5	5

(Signed) W. Silver
Collector

Tinnevelly
26 January 1858

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No. 2429

To

G. D. Ozin, Esqr.
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir

I have the honor to enclose for the information of the Board of Revenue a Statement No. 2 shewing the amount of Beriz payable by the Pungalies and the Pooragoodies of Dalapady Vamoodrum Village and the amount of Remissions made therefrom.

2nd. In reply to the 3rd Query contained in your letter dated 8th October last forwarding the Collector's letter dated 30th September 1857 and enclosing copy of Mr. Reddyhand's No. 3030 dated 28th ditto I have the honor to state that the Collector's letter dated 30th September 1857 forwarded translated Copies of Mr. Reddyhand's No. 3030 dated 28th ditto and of the Pudukottah Sirkar's No. 1356 dated 25th ditto with

3 Under the above facts it will be evident that the old ruined Pagoda is public property and has been as such fairly Zuptied, and allowed to be used for different important works. At all events Petitioner has no valid or real claim to it

At the District Engineers request

4 The 3 Petitions received with Proceedings under reply, are returned herewith

No 1499 of 1857
No 1699 of "
No 2693 of 4

Signed/ C B Thomas
Collector

Coimbatore Collector's Office
22d December 1857

No 1.

Translation of an order issued by the Collector of Coimbatore to the Sheristadar in charge of Erode Talook R No 35 dated 25 February 1858

The Tahsildar in his Urzee No 25 of the 7th Instant reports that one Sevarama Chetty's Grandson claims the two ruined Pagodas situated between the Cauvery Chuttrum and Caliyanayen channel at Erode. It does not appear that that individual possesses either documents or witnesses to prove his right to the same. Moreover it is clear from an examination made by the Acting Head Assistant Collector lately

lately at Erode, that no documents were produced nor evidence adduced to support his assertion. Consequently it does not appear that there is any real owner of the Pagodas. The said 2 Pagodas are therefore Zuptied and you are required to adopt measures to prevent the complainant or others from interfering with the said Pagodas. If he still urges that they are his property, you are directed to inform him to produce such documents as will prove his right and forward them to the Huzoor when produced. If he failed to do so, you should permit the Officers of the Public Works Department stationed there to take the stones of the Pagodas and use them for the works of Caliyanayen Annicut channel and other works as requested by them. It is also reported that the said individual is trying to sell the stones to the Officers of the Railway Department. You should therefore take care not to allow the said individual to appropriate the stones of the Pagodas, as he has no right to them

Signed/ C B Thomas
Collector

True Translation
Signed/ C B Thomas
Collector

No. 2.

Translation of an Order issued by the Collr of Coimbatore to the Tahsildar of Erode Taluk No. 65 dated 11th April 1867.

Your Urzee No. 46 dated 4th Instant, has been received In which you say that Venkata Narrayana Chetty who professes himself to be the proprietor of the two ruined Pagodas at Erode, has given his deposition to the effect that he has no documents to prove his right to the said Pagodas. As he failed to establish his Claim to them, you are hereby required to permit the Officers of the Public Works Department to use the stones of the Pagodas for the Movement Works with reference to the late order given you on the subject.

(Signed) C. B. Thomas
Collector

True Translation
(Signed) C. B. Thomas
Collector

No. 3.

Translation of an order issued by the Collector of Coimbatore to the Tahsildar of Erode Taluk No. 111 dated 23d December 1867.

It is reported that there is a ruined

ruined Pagoda and a "Teppa Colum" Tank at Cauvuth Erode, that the former is contiguous to the Channel, and that the stones of the Tank Bund are sold to the Officers of the Railway Department. You are directed to report to the Huzoor where they are situated and if there is no objection to the removal of the stones you should take the measures to prevent the stones of the ruined Pagoda and Tank being removed by any one, and report at the same time the number of Stones that were taken away hitherto, and by whom. It is also reported that there is a ruined Pagoda at Yalavay malay in your Taluk. You should also require and report whether it is in a ruined state, and what is the distance between that place and Bowany and whether the stones thereof may be used for Public Works.

(Signed) C. B. Thomas
Collector

True Translation
(Signed) C. B. Thomas
Collector

Translation

Fort St. George 12 March 1858.

No. 4

Translation of Yadasit addressed to the Collector of Coimbatore by P. A. C. Boswell Esqr. Acting Head Assistant Collector dated Matropollium 20th February 1857

When I was at Erode the Civil Engineer informed me that as Poonjah is performed for a long time in two old Pagodas there, and requested permission to remove the building and appropriate the stones thereof for the use of several Public Works now instituting enquiry an individual came forward and claimed the Pagodas as formerly to as belonging to him, I enquired of him carefully in my presence he stated that some one of his ancestors had constructed the Pagodas long ago, and that Crums were also allotted to the same but he is unable to prove his right to the Pagodas by any witnesses or documents; he further states that Crums were allotted previous to the assumption of the Country by the East India Company he states that if a sum of 2000 Rupees is granted for one Pagoda he will thereby repair the other Building he is quite unable to prove his right to the same

Comps Ex

Fort St. George 12th March 1858

I required to know whether his claim to the Buildings is to be admitted or not

(Signed) P. A. C. Boswell
Ag. Head Asst. Coll.
(True Translation)
(Signed) E. B. Thomas
Collector

No. 151

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

Bd. No. 73

From the Collector of Canara

Sir,

In forwarding a revised Estimate for Sanderwarid Expenditure, I have the honor to lay before the Board an account of the actual outlay during the past Official year 1856/57 with the view of obtaining the sanction of Government for the amount expended in excess of the old standard Sanctioned under date the 20th May 1850.

Forwards a revised standard Estimate for Sanderwarid Expenditure and an account of the actual outlay during the last Official year 1856/57

Actual Expenditure in 1856/57		
Revenue	8554-6-4	
Magisterial	1375-1-7	
	9929-6-11	
Standard Estimate		
Revenue	5748-0-0	
Magisterial	920-0-0	
	6668-0-0	
Excess	3261-6-11	

The Board are aware that the expenditure of Sanderwarid which was last reported was for 11 Months, or from July 1855 to May 1856, from which latter

2.

× Vide Statement of Actual charges under Estimate dated 22nd Sept. 1856 - passed 18th May 1857 No. 464

latter Months these charges in common with others have come under the present Monthly audit— The Civil auditor has passed so much of the expenditure for last year as did not exceed the sanctioned limits, but requires the special sanction of Government before he will admit the further outlay incurred. The Standard Estimate has been exceeded in the items shewn in the Margin, and chiefly it will be seen in Paper, Lamp Oil, Duffer Cloth and Sundries—

	Quantity	Total Value Rs
Portuguese Paper Reams	47	28
French Paper "	394	2119
Lamp Oil Mds	1182	999
Duffer Cloth Pieces	541/2	135
Sealing Wax Mds	61/2	16
Ink Bottle	229	33
Sundries "		542
		3902
Decrease in envelope Paper		41
Net Increase		3861

3 The aggregate increase in the quantities of Portuguese and French Paper used amounts to 441 reams the value of which is Rs. 2177 every department shews increased consumption of this article, but the Revenue department, (in both the Huzoor and Talook Cutcherries) is chargeable with a large

proportion of it. This is ascribable to the following causes—

1st The creation of a new Tahsildary in Poolore in 1852.

2d Ditto of a Duty Tahsildary at Sadeshiguer

3d Introduction of new Village Accounts

4th Introduction of Monthly audit which requires the Preparation of several Pay and Contingent Bills in each Month instead of once a year.

5 Printing of Beriz Pottahs and Receipts for payment of land and Moturpah Revenue—

These are the chief items which have contributed to the increase of expenditure in the Huzoor and Talook Cutcherries. The excess in other departments arises from the present improved condition of Revenues and Trade generally— The Magisterial Department which likewise shews an increase in quantity, has also had its additional work, as will be seen from the Marginal note— The amount of fines levied in the year under review has been more than quadruple as compared with the year in which the Standard

4. × Saya, Sea, and Vall

× Reams Paper 22

× Fines Levied Yearly 259 Rs 995 1211 6454

standard Estimate was passed—

5. The total of the excess on this increased expenditure of Paper may be taken at the average prices paid to amount to Rupees 1213 which leaves Rupees 9646 be still explained. The average price paid upon Portuguese Paper which is used for all money accounts and orders, as stated in the letter which accompanies the revised Standard Estimate, is below the rates proposed in the old standard, but those for French manufacture are greatly in excess. In explanation of this remarkable difference it will be sufficient to state that the original Estimate provided for the purchase of china Paper at Rupees 1–12– per ream, but that this Manufacture having disappeared from the Market, it was necessary to replace it with French Produce, only procurable at increased rates. The French Paper used in 1856/57 was partly purchased here, and partly supplied by Messrs Cammiade Martin & Co. under instructions of the Board conveyed in their Circular of the 12th February 1856.

Quantity	Value
Rims	Rs
Portuguese 47	165
French 392	1048
	1213

6 The next item of increase to be explained is in Lamp Oil. In this likewise the excess partly arises from increased quantity used and partly from

from enhanced prices.—

7. The extra quantity of oil expended in all departments is shown in the Margin. Business increases in all the Offices year by year, and the Marginal note will show that there is good cause for much of the expenditure incurred, but I believe most native Officials work more by night than they need do and that attention to strict orders lately issued, which will be as strictly enforced will reduce this charge in future, and cause business to be conducted as much as possible during day light—

	Nos
Huzoors	10
Valeches	100
Sayer	9
Sea Customs	11
Vakil	1
Magisterial	46
	182

		Rs
Sayer Trade	Yearly 1259	77187
Valuation	" 1266	51107
Sea Trade	Yearly 1259	68070
	1266	18466
Salt	1259	65478
	1266	46700

8. The small excess in Duffer, cloth is attributable to a district Record Establishment having been lately sanctioned in all the Revenue Offices, and the record being now more quickly indexed and arranged than was the case formerly.—

Government dated 18 January 1853

9 The last item requiring explanation is the excess in Sundries. This is also owing partly to enhanced prices now prevailing for almost every article. It is further composed of biennial and triennial supplies, for which the old Standard Estimate only provides an average.—

Collectors Cutcherry, Mangalore 16th December 1857.

/Signed/ W. Fisher
Collector

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Form S. G.

Duffler Cloth

Sealing wax

Quantity	Rate	Value	Quantity	Rate	Value
Pieces	Rupees A P	Rupees A P	Lbs	Rs A P	Rs A P
4½	1 " "	4 8 "	"	11 " 9	" " 4 8 "
33¾	1 2 "	4 3 8	"	5 3 4	8 4 5 1 11 8
12	1 4 "	15 " "	1	" " 8	" " 8 "
13	1 3 4	15 11 6	1	1 7 3 1	7 8 8 12 3 2
16½	1 2 11	19 8 "	1	14 "	8 5 4 12 8 "
16¾	1 3 1	19 15 2	1	2 3 2 5	7 10 " 11 " 11
33½	1 3 8	4 11 8 "	21	14 "	8 6 9 181 " "
390¼	1 6 5	546 4 2	28	11 2 3	6 15 2 19 7 2

Mangalore 11th December 1857

12th March 1858

Ink

Sundries

Quantity	Rate	Value	Value	Total
Bottles	Rupees A P	Rupees A P	Rupees A P	Rupees A P
30	" 3 "	5 10 "	5 2 "	116 " "
32	" 3 "	6 " "	4 15 11	124 15 "
170	" 3 "	31 11 "	11 2 "	804 " "
203¾	" 3 "	38 " 9	37 7 6	1250 2 7
200	" 3 "	37 8 "	19 4 "	920 " "
233¾	" 3 "	44 " 9	42 7 5	1375 1 7
1212	" 3 "	230 6 "	284 10 "	6068 " "
1439	" 2 11	263 4 7	826 14 9	9929 6 11

[Signed] W. Fraser
Collector

No. 6711

To

The Secretary
Board of Revenue

Sir

3d. No. 326
From the Offg
Superintending
Engineer Nellore
* to be returned
Enclosure 2
Letter from
District Engineer
of the Kistnah
No 137 dated 5th
January 1858
with Sketch map

I have the honor to forward for the consideration of the Board of Revenue the accompanying* letter with map from the District Engineer in charge of the Kistnah Division No 137 of the 5th Instant calling attention to the fact of their being large tracts of land in the Masulipatam District deriving great advantage from the Kistnah Anicut irrigation without contributing in any way in return to the revenue of the State in consequence of their being held on Zemindary tenure and by desire of the Chief Engineer I solicit the favor of an early communication of the views of the Board on the Subject.

Central Office of Public Work
Fort St. George 19th January 1858

Signed J. C. A. Orr, Captain
Officiating Superintendent Engr. Nellore

No 137

To

The Chief Engineer
in the Department Public Works
Madras

Sir

I think it incumbent upon me to

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to bring to your notice the following observations on the tenure of the soil in the Masulipatam District, and the fact that there are lands therein deriving great advantage from the Kistnah irrigation Works and not contributing in any way in return to the revenue of the state, in order that if the subject appears to you of the importance it does to me it may be brought before Government with a view to a Legislative enactment being passed for its correction.

2 The land in the Masulipatam Delta is for the most part held by Government Ryots, by Enamdars, and by the three Zemindars of Moonastalum Sullapillay and Weryoor.

3 Water from the Kistnah has up to the present been distributed to 161 Villages and agraharums of the Goodewadah talooks, to 28 of the Bunder talook, and to 14 and 8 of the Villages of the talooks of Pednah and Kykalore respectively.

4 At the same time it has been used for cultivation by many of the Villages in the Moonastalum Zemindary and by a few of those in the two other Estates. Whilst its use for drinking and for watering Cattle when it can be procured is

is universal.

5. Since this Water has been supplied to the Talooks under Government Management, the Sists of the Villages making use of it have been raised more than 50 per Cent, not so much by increased taxation as by increased extent of cultivation and by the conversion of dry lands into wet the Manool Sist of the 21 Villages alluded to above was Rupees 57,287 it has steadily and rapidly increased since 1854 to Rupees 86,835 or nearly Rs. 30,000 in excess of the amount demanded in by-gone times its collection is a certainty, for there are now no arrears.

6. On the other hand the Zemindar though benefitting more or less by the Anicut and its subsidiary Channels and each year since 1854 in an increasing ratio have not paid one anna of direct return to Government.

7. By all accounts the Zemindars have raised the Sists of such of their Villages as

as make use of the Kistnah water and have been considerable gainers by the same, but not one anna has the state been advantaged thereby.

8 This state of things appears to me to be so unjust towards a Government that has expended large sums in the construction of the great hydraulic Works have not only to benefit their subjects but also to obtain a fair return on the Capital invested that I am of opinion, and have also the honor to hope that you will support me in so thinking that it should not be allowed to continue one day longer than can be avoided.

9. Nothing however than a Legislative Enactment will have the desired effect of making the Zemindars pay for the water they now get for nothing.

10. The Collector at present is able to raise at his discretion the rent of this Zeroyty and even of the maximum lands now irrigated, but if he were to attempt to add to the Peishcush of any one of the Zemindars of this District he would

would at once be put on his defence before a legal tribunal.

11 The act so much called for should enable the Revenue Officers of the District to levy on the Zemindars a water rate of 1 or 2 or 3 or even 4 Rupees per Acre of land irrigated by the water from the Kistnah.

12 My own idea is that the tax should be moderate especially at first and that it should in some degree fluctuate with the average price of rice in the District.

13 In addition to the manifest loss to the state at present ensuing in the Masulipatam District from non taxation of those using the water it has at such a cost provided must be added the great expense it has to sustain in the excavation of almost every one of the principal irrigation channels.

14. By reference to the accompanying sketch map where the Zemindaries are put in brown will show that all the principal irrigation ducts have to flow for miles through lands not

not directly under Government Management.

15. As an instance in point I am about to submit for sanction an ordinary Estimate for a new head from the Poolairoo to the Gundee codoo, in lieu of clearing out widening and otherwise putting in good repair that channel under which so much Zeroyty irrigation flourishes but this cut 11½ miles in length will owing to the geographical position of the Goodewadah Talook be entirely in a Zemindary.

16. Again there are canals already sanctioned or else to be estimated for and submitted to you which in themselves are excellent both as hydraulic works and as works which would yield a large return were the lands which they will fertilize to pay even a small Water rate, but which as things now stand, will give no direct return.

17 Of such a nature is the sanctioned channel designed by my predecessor to leave the Boodoomair near the aqueduct at Yenekepaud which

which with its branch will be some 40 Miles in length and will pass at a most convenient level for irrigation through lands admirably adapted for the same this Channel out of its 40 Miles will run but a length of 15 through Zemindary fields.

18. The same applies to the proposed Nadacoodroo and Masulipatam Canal lately before Government, the soil it traverses on its route is about the best in the District and quite capable of yielding a larger return than the Rs. 60,000 which the late District Engineer anticipated it would but without a law to oblige the Zemindar to pay up it is not probable that the Collector will be able to get from him one rupee in addition to his present Peshcush. This Canal nearly 25 Miles in length together with its branch, has 16 Miles of its course in the Sullapilly Zemindary.

19. I might multiply instances but I have said enough to show you how greatly the return on our Works in the Masulipatam District is curtailed on account of the Zemindary tenure of the lands these works irrigate or will irrigate and how expensive Channels must prove when they have to pass for Miles through lands

lands yielding no return to reach the talookes immediately under the Ryotwar Officers.

20. In conclusion I beg that the subject may receive your consideration so that means may be devised to put the irrigation of Zemindary lands on a better and juster footing than now obtains in this District.

Bezwarah ... 5th January ... 1858

/ Signed A. C. Chambers
Acting District
Engineer Kistnah Div.

Dy. No. 613
From Asst. Supt. Engr. No. Circle

No. 7045

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works under date the 30th January 1858.

Read the following wrapper

From the District Engineer Kistnah Division submitting a Bill ..... for works performed in the District of Masulipatam during 1856 amounting to Rupees 457-14-4 .....

Read also the following wrapper

From Dy. — Submitting to ... Bill for Dy. amounting to Rs. 134-3-6.

Read also the following wrapper

From

From the District Engineer Kistnah Division submitting 4 Bills for works performed in the District of Masulipatam during 1855 amounting to Rupees 393-15-1

x x x

2. Resolved also that the following Bill being for repairs of Chairs in the Travellers Bungalow at Ibrahimpatam be transferred to the Revenue Board for adjustment.

2381 . Repairing chair in the Travellers Bungalow at Ibrahimpatam } " 2 "

(True Extract)

/ Signed C. A. Orr Captain
Asst. Supt. Engineer Nth Circle

Enclosure 1.

Dft. No. 726
From the Asst. Supt. Engr. Nth Circle.

No. 7336

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works under date the 12th February 1858.

Read the following Nth Circle

No. 1103

To

The Chief Engineer's Department
Public Works
Fort St. George

Sir.

In accordance with the instructions contained

contained in Extract from your proceedings — — No. 5652 dated 3d Ultimo, I have the honor to — — state that I have selected sites for the Travellers — — Bungalows to be built on the New Sank Road, betw. -een Chittevulsa and Chicacole. The first Bunga- -low I have fixed at Hopperlah 1½ miles from Chitte- -vulsa the 2d at Pishing 1½ miles from Hopperlah and the last at Boodamoor 11 miles from Pishing and 8½ miles from Chicacole. I have been careful in selecting sites close to a Village to the Road and to water and have also chosen as high ground as can be obtained compatible with the due fulfil- -ment of the other conditions. I note that I am desired to fix these sites in conjunction with the Collector, but he has so much to do that he cannot at present inspect the site. I have however written to acquaint him with the selections I have made.

× from the South side of the Chicacole River

District Engr. Office
Vizagapatam Camp Waltair
27th January 1858

/ Signed J. Vertue Lieutenant
Asst. Dt. Engineer
Vizagapatam

Resolved to forward the fore- -going letter from the District Engineer Vizaga- -patam No. 1103 of the 27th January 1858 to the Board

of Revenue and with reference to Extract from the Proceedings Nos 4141 and 33 of 24th November 1857 and 4th January 1857 to recommend that as only the few in the enjoyment of ample means can travel thirty miles per night the erection of Bungalows at the places selected by Lieutenant Verture on Trunk Road No 6 be proposed to Government so as to be really available for the accommodation of travellers of all classes and not only those to whom the present is the "locomotive age" described by the late Collector Mr Smollett

(True Extract)

(Signed) C. A. Orr Captain

Dy Sup. Engr Nw Circle

Received the undermentioned

Miscellaneous letters and Statements

My No 583
From the Collector of North Arcot } Returns of persons charged with offences under Regulation IX of 1822 for December 1857

My No 584
From the Collector of Masulipatam. Rain Report for December 1857

From

My No 585
From the Acting Collector of Masulipatam } Rain Report for January 1858

My No 579
From the Acting Collector of Masulipatam } Rain Report for February 1858.

My No 580
From the Acting Collector of Madura. Rain Report for February 1858.

My No 577
From the Acting Collector of Masulipatam. Salt account Current for December 1857

My No 578
From the Acting Collector of Masulipatam. Salt account Current for January 1858

My No 576
From the Collector of Nellore. Average Bazar price of Grain for January 1858

My No 574
From the Collector of Tinnevelly. Demand Collection and Balance Statement of Revenue for February 1858

My No 575
From the Collector of Nellore. Demand Collection and Balance Statement of Revenue for February 1858.

From

Fort St. George 12th March 1858.

My. No. 570

From the Collector of Ganjam. Season Report for February 1858

My. No. 581

From the Collector of Rajahmundry. Season Report for 2d. half of February 1858

My. No. 571

From the Agent to the Governor at Kurnool ..... } Season Report for 2d. half of February 1858

My. No. 582

From the Collector of Malabar - Bullion Statement For February 1858.

My. No. 572

From the Collector of Malabar. Forwarding a Bill for 13 Rupees value of certain Books.

My. No. 573.

From the Collector of Cuddapah. Forwarding a Bill for 13 Rupees value of certain Books

Proceedings

Comp'd M

Fort St. George 13th March 1858.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Saturday the 13th March 1858.

Read the following Papers received from Government in a separate Volume

Bd. No. 1002
From the Ag. Secy. to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 3d. March 1858.

Passing Orders on the case of a certain Lapsed Bhutwurty Enam in the District of Cuddapah.

/ See No. 284 in separate Volume /

Read the following Papers

No. 196

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

Bd. No. 287.
From the Acting Collr. of Ganjam } Sir.

1 In compliance with the orders of Government on Petitioners Nos. 556 and 1537 of 1856 dated 25th May and 5 August last herewith sent I have the honor to report that the subject has been thoroly gone into by the late Commissioner and Mr Elliot in the correspondence noted

noted in the margin to which I beg leave to refer the Board.

2. Nursinga Satrosollapatro has I am sorry to say quarelled with the Zemindar and I have been obleged to bind him over to Keep the peace as he disobeyed orders and there is no doubt instigated parties to carry off crop which had been attached for nonpayment of the Rajahs demands.

3. I consider the conduct of this man very objectionable he has known that the orders of the commissioner were advers to his claim since 1855 and yet instead of at once appealing he has been in every way annoying the Zemindar and putting up others to do the same and it would be impossible to allow him to act as Moonsiff if quiet is to be maintained.

Ganjam District
Collector's Circuit
Office, Berhampore
31st December 1857

/ Signed / W. Knox
Acting Collector

+ Letter from the Sy. Agent dated 28th April 1854 No. 62
Extract from the Proceedings of the Commissioner No. 8.
dated 17th May 1855 No. 2145.
Letter from the Sy. Collr. dated 31st January No. 1858 No. 19.
Extract from the Proceedings Board of Revenue dated 1st March 1858 No. 154.

No. 18.

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

Br. No. 1121
From the Collector of Guntoor

Sir,

Adverting to the Board's circular No. 325 of the 25th Ultimo, I have the honor to state for the information of the Board that the only Salt Depôt in this District, is the one at Chinnee Ganjam and as the sales at this place, are extensive not less than 6 scales of the sizes noted in the margin will be required.

1. Maund scales - 3
2. Do — Do — 3/6

Guntoor District
Collector's Office Mungulughery
6th March 1858.

/ Signed / H. Wood
Collector

No. 18.

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

Br. No. 729
From the Collector of Bellary

Sir,

In my letter of the 6th June last I applied for a second Press, and some types as there is a great deal of work

Fort St. George 13th March 1858.

work in this District which our Press is not equal to, I have the honor to request the Board will be pleased to inform me whether I may expect the second press and type applied for.

Bellary District
Collector's Office
Anantapoore
8th February 1858

/ Signed / C. Pelly
Collector

No. 8

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

Rr. No. 399
From the Collector
of North Arcot
Sir,

I have the honor to submit the report called for by the Board's endorsement dated 22d October and 18th December 1857, on Petitions Nos. 110 and 127 of 1857.

+ herewith returned

2. The petitioner Hazee Bee requests that provision may be made for the expenses of lighting the mosque built by her husbands ancestors and supported by her late husband.

Fort St. George 13th March 1858.

It does not appear that any allowance was at any time granted by this or the former Government for the support of this Mosque and there is no reason why an allowance should now be given for the purpose

North Arcot
Collectors Cutcherry
Calastry in the Calastry Zemindary
20th January 1858

/ Signed / C. Whittinghame
Collector

No. 16.

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

Rr. No. 501
From the Collector of
North Arcot
Sir,

I have the honor to submit for the consideration of the Board of Revenue, an application from the Head Seristadar of this District Tolasing Chittyar, soliciting a reconsideration of the orders of Government Extract minutes consultation under date the 4th March 1857 No. 227 regarding his claim to consider as service entitling him to an increase of salary, the period during which he was employed as Head Accountant in South Arcot.

He

2. The Government in passing the order adverted to, stated, the Grounds on which they were unable to accede to the request of the seristadar Viz that such a permission would open the door to take applications for service in other offices of similar emoluments, which have as little to do with revenue service as the office of Head accountant" as this objection is not removed. I do not see how I can recommend the present application & but as it is strongly supported by the acting additional Sub Collector under whom the Head seristadar has been lately employed on a special duty fulfilled to the complete satisfaction of the Board and Government, I beg to refer it to the consideration of the Board.

North Arcot
Collectors Cutcherry, Pallacoopum
in Sudwarid Taloork
23d January 1858

/ Signed / C Whittingham
Collector

To

No. 66.

To C Whittingham
Collector of North Arcot.

Sir,

The enclosed has this day been presented to me by the Head Seristadar and should you think proper, I have the honor to request it may be submitted to the Board of Revenue for their consideration. Tholasingu chetty begs that in consideration of his services rendered and approved for in connection with the revision of the assessment his claims to be allowed to count as service as Tahsildar the period passed by him as Head Accountant in South Arcot, may be reconsidered by Government

It appears that the application previously made on this subject was forwarded by you to the Board, who submitted it to Government with a request that it might be favorably considered Government thought proper to disallow the claim.-

2. Since however Government have been pleased to express their approval

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approval of the taste lately performed in this District; and as Tholasinga Chitty has certainly afforded most valuable and ready aid towards the completion of the same, the Government may perhaps be inclined to reconsider their previous determination. I can certainly say that I have found the Head Shereistadars' great revenue experience and knowledge of all details most useful throughout the revision of the Appoyments.

3. The office of Head Accountant must have required equal if not greater talents and industry than that of Tahsildar, and I should imagine that at the time Tholasinga Chetty held the office, it would have been an Easier matter to find a fitting person for the latter than for the former post; Under the above circumstances, I trust you will submit his claim for the Board's orders.

North Arcot
Asst. add. Sub Collr.
Cutcherry Arcot
20th January 1838.

(Signed) George Banbury
Actg. addl. Sub Collector

(True Copy)
(Signed) C. Whittinghame
Collector

Fort St. George 13th March 1838.

To

G. Banbury Esqre
Acting additional Sub Collr. of
North Arcot.

Honored Sir,

I beg leave respectfully to submit my claim for permission to count as service entitling me to an increase of Salary the period during which I was employed as Head account=ant in South Arcot. I have already once before submitted the above claim to the Government through the Collector and the Board of Revenue. Tho' the two latter authorities strongly supported my claim and recommended my case to the favorable consideration of the Govern=ment they did not accede to the above recommendation but disallowed it.

I now review the above claim confidently trusting that it will be submitted to the Government through the regular channel with your strong sup=port and recommendation that the indulgence

indulgence therein solicited may be granted to me as a special case in consideration of the important duties performed by me in the revision of assessment in the District. It would appear that the claims before urged by me were not deemed fit for favorable consideration in the absence of any special and important merits now however the duties performed by me in connection with the revision of assessment have met with approbation from my superiors and as it was acknowledged to be a task of considerable difficulty, I also trust that I may not be considered importunate in requesting that my case may be again brought under consideration I also confidently trust that you will be so kind as to lay the matter before the higher authorities with your special recommendation with regard to my merits as well as your opinion of me in the discharge of the important and responsible duties connected with the revision of Assessment carried out

out under your honors immediate superintendence.

Accol ——— }
20th January 1888 }

/Signed/ S Tholasinga Chetty
Head Sirestadar

/True Copy/
/Signed/ C Whittingham
Collector

No 42.

To

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

Sir.

B. No 1104
From the Collector
of North Arcot }

I have the honor with reference to Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 30th July 1887 No 2587 to submit the information required in para 2 of Extract Minutes of Consultation under date 8th July 1887 No 687.

2 The right of levying fines on trespassing cattle for their own benefit has been exercised by and conceded to the Zemindars of Colastry and Conveying your only. These fines are entered in the assets on which the Peishcush

Peiscush was fixed. In the statement sent to the Board by Mr. Stratton with his report dated 14th July 1801 they are included in the case of Colastry in Column 14 of the Khaw Beriz or general statement of the actual resources of that Zemindary for Fusly 1206. The total sum entered in that Column viz. Pogadas 48855 — 2 includes Bundy, and again on fines on stray Cattle. This is shown by the Mahratta detailed Khaw beriz Chittah accounts of the Villages. In Column 14 of the general statement the amount opposite the Maghanum or Talook of Kullavaroo is 1233 — 8 — 10, On refering to the statement, in the same book, of the Villages composing that Maghanum it is seen that the amount in the corresponding Column opposite the village of Pedapalavedoo is Rs 119 — as 3 — ps 12 This amount agrees with the Total under this head in the Mahratta accounts of that Village which exists in my records a Translated abstract

Abstract of this account is submitted from which it will be seen that the amount of Bunday Audayem or fines on stray cattle in this Village was entered as — 4 — Similar Mahratta accounts exist for nearly all the Villages on the Colastry Zemmindary. These accounts are not authenticated by any signature, but their total correspond with the totals given in Mr. Strattons statement of Villages above referred to. By going thro' these accounts it would be possible to obtain very nearly the exact amount of fines, that was included in the

aspects of the Colastry Zemmindary.—

3 Similar informations is not procurable with respect to the Canvetunggar Zemmindary the detailed Mahratta accounts of nearly all the Villages are not forthcoming It would not therefore be possible to ascertain the total amount of fines included in the aspects. The detailed accounts that do exist are however sufficient

sufficient to show as in the case of Colastry that fines on stray cattle were included in the assets on which the Peishcush was fixed.—

4. If therefore it should be determined to put a stop to the levying of these fines in the Zemindaries and to allow compensation to the proprietors by deductions from the Peishcush that might be some difficulty in the case of Cuneliveegar in deciding upon what principle the amount of compensation should be calculated. Both Zemindaries have declined to furnish any accounts of the revenue derived from the fines in question.—

5. The Zemindars have submitted considerations which they consider should exempt their estates from the operations of Act III of 1884. They refer to the correspondence which passed on the occasion of fixing the equivalent for Military Service and allege that the terms employed therein and in the Summud Milkeat Istemrar guarantee the perpetuity of the conditions then entered into

into provided their Peishcush be duly paid.—

In para 10 of a letter dated 26th August 1802 from the Secretary to the Commissioner to the Collector of Western Peishcush, it is stated that the "Governor in Council has caused summuds i Muttcal Jotemary to be prepared to remove from the minds of the Zemindars all doubt of the Penanswy of the present arrangement. Het arrangement included in the Peishcush of the Zemindars the item now in question of fines on stray cattle.—

The Zemindar of Cuneliveegar adverts to what took place regarding the Village of Condapolliem as confirming his view of the permanency of the arrangement referred to.—On the 15th November 1882 the Board of Revenue in a Circular directed that all deductions from the Kisthandy Beriz should be brought under the control and check of the audit Office, Mr Bourdillon in replying to this Circular in a letter of the 3rd February 1884 No 16 forwarded a statement in which the Village of Condapolliem adverted to by the Zemindar

Zemindar is inclined Mr. Bourdillon remarked in that statement that the "Village of Condapollem belongs in equal parts to the Government and to the Zemindar of Caiveitunggar and has been on the same tenure since the original assumption of the Government, by the East India Company - The Jammabundy is made every year by the Collectors Department; and one half of the settled amount of each Puttah is then deducted to be paid by the individual to the Zemindar" In Extract Minutes of Consultation under date 24th April 1854 No. 477 received with Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 8th May 1854 Government direct that the revenue of the Village in question be hence forward carried wholly to the credit of Government and that a yearly deduction of Rupees 175 be made from the Peishcush payable by the Zemindar of

† para 6 –

of Caiveitunggar in lieu of his half share The Zemindar objected to the arrangement on the ground that the moiety of the Village had long been inclined in the Peiscush of the Samastan – Ultimately the

Conveyed in Extract Proceedings Board of Revenue 17th February 1858 No. 330.

Government in Extract Minutes of Consultation under date the 21st January 1858 permitted a return to the practice which had previously obtained –

Under these circumstances I would beg to submit for consideration whether it would not be expedient to exempt the Colastry and Caiveitunggar estates from the operation of Act III of 1857 under the provision of section XV.

North Arcot Collectors Cutcherry Chittoor 9th March 1858

/ Signed / C Whittinghame Collector

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Abstract of the Kanveriz Chettah of the Village of Peddapauvadoo in the Talook of Kulastreiu Zemindary of Colastry.

Items		Amount	Total
Read Money.			
Bunday Audavem fines on straay cattle		" 4 "	
Mauheum Neer Cooly or water tax levied from Manneundars at 3/16 fanams per Goontah for 41 Goontah 303/16 fanams		" 15 6	
Collections from Garden land		4 5 "	
Rent of Poonjah fields from 30 gorros		20 13 "	
Saulabund Mamool Poottoobady Nar	Candies		
Talook Coodevaruim or Ryots share of the produce from Circar land	55-12/16		
Kullam thendoocuttoo	3-3 1/4		
Total of Ryots cultivations	58-15-11/16		
Enam Parunkreeshre			
Coodeevaruim or Ryots share of the produce from Enam lands cultivated by other than the Enamdars	16/2		
	59-12 5/8		
Three putty reddy Kistnah Reddys Coodeevaruim 30 Poottees and 1 Mercal at 3 annas of a pagoda per Poottee	Pgo-45 5-10 2/16		
Curnums Coodevaruim 3 Poottees & 11/16 Mercals at 11/16 Pagoda per poottees	" 14 4/16		
Other Ryots Coodeevaruim 26 Poottees 2/4 annas of a Mercal at 1/2 Pagoda per Poottee	13 — "	19 8 6	
Total ready money		45 13 12	
Deduct Kamgayee roofaoon Belmuchalo 1/ Annee Pagodahs equavlent to	"	" 14	
Remaining		44 13 12	
Value of Circar Mailvaruim 13 1/2 Poottes at 5/8 Pagodas per Poottee		74 4 "	119 3 11

/ Signed / C Whittingham
Collector

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No. 23.

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

Sir,

Pc No. 701 From the Ag Collr. of South Arcot

As required by the Board's Proceedings No. 239 of the 18 Ultimo, I have the honor to submit my opinion on the subject of the revenues of the Shrotreem Village of Vepery in the Talook of Tindevenum.

2 In a deposition taken before me, again Khan now contradicts his former statement and asserts that he never formerly recognized the claim of abdulkureen Khan to 1/3 share of the Shrotriem, and cannot account for his previous testimony to that effect.

3 I find also that thro his connivance the two illegitimate daughters of Burrah Khan are receiving 1/3 of the revenues of the said village, altho their right

Petition No. 2591 of 1857 is herewith returned.

Thermuffa Kattoo
Shawdy Kattoo

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right to participate in it, was disallowed by Government under date the 1st April 1848.

4 The proceeds of the Shrotriem Village after the paiyment of the Government dues are therefore enjoyed at present in the following proportion

1/3 By the Minor Dost Mahomed Khan

1/3 By Abdoolkurakham said to be the grandson of the Brother of the original Grantee.

1/3 By the two illegitimate daughters

5. My inference is that Appaiah Khan when he had the management of the affairs, must have been prompted by some unworthy motive to depose as he did before the additional Sub Collector but as the Shrotriem was granted to Burrahkhan for meritorious services rendered by him, I am of opinion that it should revert entirely to his present surviving heir Dost Mahomed Khan without any alineation in favor of the other members of the family.

/Signed/ G. N. Taylor
Acting Collector

South Arcot
to Actg Cutcherry
Cuddalore
9th February 1858

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No 10

From

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

Bd's No 329
From the Collector
of Trichinopoly.

Sir

I have the honor to bring to the notice of the Board that my Estimate of Extra Charges proposed to be incurred in Fasly 1267 / A.D. 1857-58 for binding 85 English correspondence Books and dated the 20th June 1857 has not been as yet sanctioned and solicit that early sanction be accorded for the same

/Signed/ J Bird
Collector
Palnadar

Trichinopoly
Collectors Office
16th January 1858

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No. 22

To

T. Forbes Esqr.

Acting Sub secretary to the

Court of Wards

Fort St. George

B. No. 485

From the Ag. Collr. of Madura ...

Sir

With reference to the En-

dorsement of the Board of Revenue in Petn

tion No. 2109 of 1857 (herewith returned) I have

the honor to state that the Pooroopoo Village

of Tavatareiundel of which the Petitioners are

resident Cultivators is situated in the Zt

mundany of Shevagungah. No Regulation

was granted by Mr Sullivan in the order

passed by him but it is to be supposed

that he acted under Regulation V of 1822

Madura ...

25th January 1858

I Signed A. Hathaway

Acting Collector

To

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No. 24

To

J. D. Sim Esqr.

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

B. No. 604

From the Ag. Collr. of Madura ...

Sir

In Answer to Para 6 of the Board's Proceedings of the 14th January 1858 No. 153 reques-

ting me to ascertain and report whether the orders

of Government in regard to the Deeds of surrender

have been disregarded in any other case than that

of the Zemindar of Nellacottah, I have the honor

with reference to the correspondence noted in the

margin to submit a Memo: shewing the total number

of Pollipats in the District the period at

which they were attached from arrears of

Revenue and how many of the Polli-

gars gave entire surrender of their Estate.

2 It would appear from it that out

of the 16 Pollipats 11 were surrendered to Government

2 were restored to the Proprietors 1 was purchased by

Government and 2 were finally incorporated

with Government lands.

3 No deed of surrender was received

from the Madura Poligar in 1841 Mr Blackburne

deeming that taken in 1819 to be sufficient

4. The orders of Government touching

the execution of deeds of surrender have not been

disregarded in any other instance.

To Fort St. George Letter No. 42 dt 1. March 1842 with Memo: Encs: 8th March No. 313

To Do 14th Inst 1843

From Do 6th July "

To Do 28th Augt "

From Do 6th July "

To Do 1st Octr "

To Do 4th Novr "

From Do 6th Dec "

To Do 29th Jany 1844

To Do 6th Febry "

From Do 16th Septr "

with Minis: Encs: 2d Do "

To Do 3d June 1851

From Do 21st Feby 1853 with Minis: Encs: 14th Jany 1852 No. 64

To Do 13th October 1856

From Do 17th December 1856 No. 4318

Madura

1st February 1858

I Signed J. D. Hathaway

Asst Collector.

Memorandum

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Memo: Shewing the Polliputs surrendered restored or incorporated with Govern:ment lands

Talooks		Polliputs	When segues:tered	Date of Surrender	Date of restoration	Polliputs incorporated with Govern:ment lands.
Madacolum	1	Valiaputty +	1206	"	"	Incorporated with Government lands under the Board's Pro: dated 21st Febuary 1853
Tirumungalum	2.	Podapanaiknoor	1230	"	Restored to proprietor on the 5th Novr 1844 as directed by the Board in their Pro: of the 18th September 1844	
Tandicomboo in the Sub Division	3	Madoor	1225	25th March 1819		
	4	Gamookalapooram	1225	23d Sept.r 1841		
	5	Thavarymudday	1225	23d Do.	"	
	6	Pulliapanaiknoor	1230	23d Do.	"	
	7	Leikamputty	1232	23d Do.	"	
Thencurray in Do.	8	Vadagherray +	1229		"	Incorporated with Government lands under the Board's Pro:d dated 21st Febry 1853
	9	Combay +	1227	9th July 1842		
	10.	Nallacottah	1224	21st March 1819		
	11.	Thodiencottah	1226	8th October 1841		
	12.	Ammutturah +	1226	25th July 1842		
	13	Marungapoory	1226	"	Surrendered to the Proprietor on the 12th July 1846 as directed by Govt on the 18th November 1845	
Ramagherry lately transferred to Trichinopoly Division	14	Coomaramady +	1225	28th Sept.r 1841		
	15.	Thogamullay	1225	Purchased by Govt in the 16th June 1846 surrendered to Govt on the 30th Sept.r 1841		
	16	Veeramalay +	1226			

Note. The 6 Pollums marked thus + in the Statement were fully incorporated with Government lands under the Progs of the Board of Revenue dated 21st February 1853 although the 4 Polligars Viz.t Combay, Ammattarah, Coomaraway and Veeramullay had given the formal Surrender of their Estates on the dates noted above

Madura 1st February 1858.

(Signed) A. Hathaway
Acting Collector

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No. 48.

To

G. S. Forbes Esqr.

Secretary to the

Court of Wards

Fort St. George.

Sir

Ad. No. 796
From the Asst. Collr.
of Madura.

I have the honor to for-
ward Draft of a Plaint I propose
to file in the subordinate Court of
this place to procure the dismissal of a
Cummum of the Village of Puracalum in
the Shevagungah Zemindary for reasons
therein given and request the permission
of the Court to conduct the suit from
the funds of that estate

Madura
16th February 1858

I Signed I A. Hathaway
Acting Collector

Translation

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Translation of a Plaint to be preferred in the subordinate Court of Madura

Plaintiffs	Vers	Defendant
1 Daisegam Syengar of the Inam Zemindary of Shevagungah	Guardian	Veragama Tavan son of Paracutpa Tavan of Puracoolam in Iran-gatum Talook in Shevagungah and a Cummum of the said Puracoolam Village
2 A. Hathaway Esqr Agent to the Court of Wards By Shama Row Government Vakeel.		

This is an action to obtain a decree dismissing the Defendant from the office of Cummum of the said Puracolum Village the value of the annual income of which is Rupees 3-2-10 and directing him to pay Rupees 286 Annas 14 and pice 8 being the Amount embezzled and otherwise defrauded by him.

The ground of this application

1 are that the Defendant neglected his Inam-
-nabendy duties in Fusly 1262 that he
does not perform the duties pertaining
to the Office of Cummum, himself that
he generally absents himself at the time
of the distribution of Puttahs to the Ryats,
and that from Fusly 1250 to 1262 he misappropriated to

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to his own use Rupees 235 comprising sums embezzled out of the payments made by Ryots on account of the Melwaram Paddy and a sum with held by him being arrears of kist on his Puttah land due to the Zemindar.

2 Though for the purpose of procuring the attendance of the Defendant at the examination of these charges against him, the Ameen had issued notices on the 28th August 31st October and 29th November 1852 and the Manager had also issued a notice he (the Defendant) has not yet made his appearance having evidently absconded. The public business suffers in consequence from his absence.

3 Plaintiffs pray therefore that a Decree may be passed, dismissing the Defendant from the Office of Curnum, and directing him to pay the amount of embezzlement Viz.t Rupees 235-14-8 and to deliver possession of the Accounts to the Plaintiff.

Madura
16th February 1858

(Signed) J. Hathaway
Acting Collector

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No. 52

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

Br. No. 849
From the Jr. Collr. of Madura
Jr. Board of Revenue 28th August 1857
From D.o 8th Sept.r
Jr. D.o 31st Dec.r

Sir

With reference to the correspondence noted in the margin, I have the honor to bring to the notice of the Board of Revenue that the state of the season in the District is still the same as when reported on in August last, and that owing to the scanty harvest, great fears are entertained of heinous and other crimes occurring. This renders it expedient for me at once to entertain a police force, wherever it is urgently needed in anticipations of the Board's sanction.

2. I beg to forward a list shewing the Number of Peons I have entertained from the 15th Instant and strength. I yet require for which I request that you will be so good as to obtain the necessary sanction for a period of 6 months the present proceedings establishment and Extra police employed under the sanction conveyed in their Proceedings of

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From the Sub-Collector Madura

To the Secretary to Government

Sir

I have the honor to forward herewith a statement of the Extra Police force recommended to be entertained in the District of Madura for the ensuing quarter to meet the exigency mentioned in my letter of the 31st December 1857 for continuing the Police sanctioned under date the 8th March 1858 will expire on the 31st March and their services being necessary for a further period of 3 months for reasons above stated, I beg to request authority for continuing them accordingly.

2. The services of these extra men will be dispensed with if there is a change in the season within the period.

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I have &c.

(Signed) J. A. Hathaway

Acting Collector

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List of Extra Police force recommended to be entertained in the District of Madura.

Talooks	Duffadars: Number	Duffadars: Rate of Pay per Mensem	Duffadars: Total	Peons: Number	Peons: Rate of Pay per Mensem	Peons: Total	Total: Number	Total: Amount	Remarks
		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	
Madura Town	..	..	..	6	4	24	6	24	The immediate appointment of these persons with the exception of 3 Duffadars and 18 Peons in Shevagungah Zemindary having been found necessary they have been ordered to be entertained at once from the 15th February 1858 pending the Sanction of Government.
Cumbah Division of Rammad	1	6	6	6	4	24	7	30	
Northern Ditto Do	1	6	6	6	4	24	7	30	
Camothy Do Do	2	6	12	12	4	48	14	60	
Total Rammad	4	6	24	24	4	96	28	120	
Shevagungah Zemindary	4	6	24	24	4	96	28	120	
Total	8	6	48	54	4	216	62	264	

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(Signed) J. A. Hathaway

Acting Collector

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No. 75

To,

G. S. Forbes Esquire.

Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

Sir

B. No. 1122
From the Acting Coll.r
of Madura - - - -

No. 176

With reference to the Board's Circular of the 15th January last, I have the honor to inform you that only three instances of public Servants being summoned as Witnesses by Police Officers occurred in the past year of which two were before the Police Ameen of Madura, and one before the Head of Police at Dindigul. The parties examined happening to be servants attached to the Establishment of the Collector and Sub Collector and but a brief time having been occupied in their examination, no inconvenience resulted from their temporary absence. But I am of opinion that the progress of business would be much impeded, if public servants were liable to be summoned before all Police Officers and forwarded as Witnesses to the Criminal Court without previous notice being giving to the Head of Offices

Madura - - -
8th March 1858

Cons.d ER

I Signed A. Hathaway.
Acting Collector

To

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No. 410

To. J. D Sim Esq.r
officiating Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

Sir,

B.d No. 89.
From the Collector of
Tinnevelly - -

Submitting the further information in the subject of the Poonjah tax in this District and recommending for reasons shewn that the same may be postponed pending a future general Survey of the whole District.

With reference to Para 8 of Extract Minutes of Consultation of 24th April 1857 subjoined to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 6th May following observing that my Predecessor Mr. Bird while advocating a reduction of the Poonjah tax in some places, has furnished no details of his scheme and requesting further information on the Subject, and remarking that the Poonjah rates in the Tinnevelly District are extremely light and that they hardly call for reduction while the rates elsewhere prevailing are comparatively so high, and to para 6 of the Minutes of Consultation of 22nd May 1857 that the Government will prefer to deal with the matter Viz.t reduction of

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of Poonjah assessment as a whole and as applic-
-cable to the whole Province rather than to pass
orders on an isolated case like the one then
presented to them. I have the honor to state
that on the 9th December 1852 my Predecessor
Mr Bird issued orders to the Several Tahsil-
-dars directing them to furnish an account
shewing the entire area of dry land culti-
-vated and waste belonging to each of the
six Classes into which the Poonjah lands
are divided in Tinnevelly and distinguishing
those lands which are lying waste under 20
and 40 years under each class with the
reasons for their so lying waste.-

2 The following abstract prepared
from the returns furnished by the Tahsildars
after making the necessary enquiries in
conformity with the above order shews the
extent of waste lands under each of the
following heads with the causes for their con-
-dition.-

Particulars

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3 Particulars of Dry Lands which
are lying waste after deducting those cultivated
in Fusly 1261 out of the Seicab etyacut.-

1 Lands not cultivated every year
but left untilled in the inter-
-mediate years to recruit their Chem
production powers - - - - - - - 8524 2

2 Lands occupied by Hills
Streams &c and therefore not
fit for cultivation - - - - 32515

3 Lands lying fallow in con-
-sequence of their long dis-
-tance from Villages to which
they belong - - - - - - - - 20432

4 Lands covered with Sand
drifts and occupied by
groups of Palmirahs and con-
-sequently not fit for cul-
-tivation - - - - - - - - - 21,466

Lands

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5 Lands left waste owing to the indigent circumstances of the cultivators. - - - - - - - - - - 10663

6 Lands occupied by water spreads of Tanks &c. - - - - - 1506

7 Lands left waste in consequence of boundary disputes between the proprietors and the neighbouring land holders - - - - - - - - 35

8 Lands left fallow in consequence of their bearing high rates of assessment - - - - - - - - - - 11300

Total 183159

4 From the orders issued by the late Collector, it does not appear, why the above accounts were sent for, but I suppose Mr. Bird may have ordered them to be furnished for the purpose of carrying out the scheme he had in contemplation as and indicated by him in Para 13 of his letter to the Board of Revenue dated 5th September 1855. although

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although he has stated in the above Para. that he had not been able to make particular enquiries in consequence of having had his hands full of other business, yet as he did not explain his views afterwards, nothing was done upon it, after my arrival, or until the receipt of the Boards Proceedings of the 6th May last.-

5- The per Centage of waste to ayacut in the Villages where high rates of assessment are said to be prevailing compared with the per centage of waste to ayacut of the Talookes in which the above Villages are situated, gives no material differences - The extent of lands which were lying waste at the time when the above accounts were prepared exceeds that of the lands now lying waste after deducting the lands cultivated in the highest of the 5 subsequest years Viz^t Fusly 1262 to 1266 - a Statement marked A shewing the above particulars is enclosed, from which it will be observed that the reason assigned for the

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the lands lying waste Viz.t "that the rates are high" cannot be accepted as it is apparent that the lands are neglected for particular reasons connected with the circumstances of the ryots or the nature of the season or both - Under the foregoing circumstances, I am not prepared to advocate the reduction of Poonjah assessment in this District.-

6 No complaints have been made regarding high rates except by the Ryots of Watrayeroopoo - When addressing the Board regarding the Poonjah rates of the above Village, the records were searched to ascertain the rates of Teerwah generally prevailing in the neighbouring Villages. but as it was found that the Poonjah lands lying waste under Valacolum situated to the South of Watrayeroopoo, amounted to a considerable

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considerable extent, it was stated that enquiry would be made regarding the cause of the large amount of waste in Valacolum and that a remedy would be proposed hereafter and at the same time an order was sent by Mr Bird to the Tahsildar of the Strecilly pro ottoor Taluk directing him to make full enquiries into the matter, and report the reasons for the lands lying waste, and the manner in which any reduction in the Teerwah should be made if that was shewn to be required.-

7 From the documents received from the Tahsildar in reply to the above order it does not appear that additional lands will be brought under cultivation by reducing the Teerwah - To shew the condition of these lands a Memo marked B is herewith forwarded. from which it will be perceived that the per centage of cultivation on the ayacut of Valacolum, is only 15 or 16 - The large extent of waste in the above Village chiefly belongs to the

the 4th and 5th Classes, as shewn in the State-ment. It appears that the lands are allowed to lie waste not on account of the high rates of Teerwah: but owing to their being situated at the foot of Hills and on Hills frequented by wild beasts, as well as in Jungles situated at a considerable distance from the Village:-

8 With reference to Para 6 of Minutes of Consultation of 22nd May 1857, that the Govern-ment will prefer to deal with the matter viz. reduction of Poonjah assessment as a whole and as applicable to the whole Province rather than to pass orders on an isolated case, I have the honor to inform you that there are no other Villages in this District to which the arguments put forward by the ryots of Watray-croopoo for a reduction of assessment apply, and there are no lands similarly situated as regards assessment with the Villages in question.

9 The measure of relief I advocate for Watraycroopoo is stated in my letter of 21st January 1857. I do not think it necessary to enter into detail regarding the mode of Poonjah taxation in this District and the state of the Pymash accounts

To Board 24th Aug 1807- From Sc 15th Sept Sc- Summabundy report for Fusly 1245 dated 3d Nov 1836 paras 31 to 37- From Govt 31st October 1837 Para 5-

accounts as the Board are already informed of these details from previous correspondence in the subject of the Poonjah taxation of the District.-

10 Under the foregoing circumstances I beg to recommend that this subject as a whole be postponed, pending a future general survey of the whole District.-

11 With reference to para 13 of Extract Minutes of Consultation of 24th ultimo April 1857, I beg to refer the Board to my report of the 11th June 1857 and to the Statements that accompanied it re-garding the abolition of the distinction between old and new wells.-

12 A Statement prepared with refer-ence to the accounts of Fusly 1266 is herewith trans-mitted containing the further information required by Government regarding the discontinuance of cer-tain extra Cesses collected in some Villages on Palmirah trees under the designation of Warce and Wattum, and I request that this subject may be considered in connection with that of tax on Palmirahs, fully reported upon by me under date the 7th March 1857.-

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(Signed) J Silver
Collector

Statement

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A Statement shewing the extent of Poonjah land and that lying waste in 5 of the Talooks in the District of Tinnevelly where high rates of assessment are stated to be prevailing.

Talooks	Extent of seigal land as per agacent.	Of which lands lying waste In Fusly 1261	Waste after deducting land cultivated in the highest of the 5 years viz. Fusly 1262 to 1266.	Extent of waste Land	Per Centage of waste to agacent of the Talooks. On Col. 3	On column 5
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Chains	Chains		Chains	Chains	In 64 Chains In 64
Sauttoor	35149	10848	62	7599	30 55	21 29
Streevygoontum	15185	7594	62	4269	49 58	28 8
Ottapodarum	46150	19487	62	16968	42 13	36 49
Streevelly poottoor	49521	25097	66	19016	50 41	38 25
Shenkottainarcoil	43298	21246	62	20866	49 4	48 12
Total	189303	84272	-	68718	44 33	36 19
Other 8 Talooks	165860	98887	-	93878	59 36	56 38
Total	355163	183159	-	162596	51 36	45 50

Where high Talookes rates of assessments are stated to be prevailing.

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Nos of Villages	Extent of Seigal Land as per agacent.	Total Extent of waste land In Fusly 1261	In the Fuslies entered in Colm 4	In Fusly 1261	In the Fuslies entered in Colm 4	Extent of land stated to be lying waste on account of high rates of assessment in the Villages in Column 8	Per Centage of waste to the total Poonjah agacent of the Villages. On Colm 10	On Column 11	On Colm 12	On Column 13
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15		16	17
	Chains	Chains	Chains	Chains	Chains	Chains In 64	Chains In 64	Chains In 64	Chains In 64	Chains In 64
15	7835	2622	2110	2622	2110	33 22	26 56	33 22	26 56	
5	2349	2039	1737	675	394	86 48	73 60	28 44	16 48	
20	13832	6100	5217	5095	4368	44 7	37 47	36 54	31 37	
10	10682	5011	4364	1728	1155	46 30	40 53	16 11	10 52	
6	7722	2984	2497	1180	976	38 40	32 21	15 19	12 16	
56	42420	18756	15925	11360	8973	44 15	37 35	26 41	21 9	

(Signed) J. Silver
Collector

Memo

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Memo: Shewing the condition of Poonjah lands in the Village of Valaicolum in Edreevelly pro: ottoor Talook in the District of Tinnevelly-

Clafs of Lands	Rates of afsefsment per Chein			Extent exclusive of Porumboke.		Cultivation of Fusly 1266-		Remaining waste		Per an: average of 10 years or from Fusly to 1262		1253	
	Iyen	Desha-cavil	Total							Cultivation		Waste	
	Tons	fs	Fanams	Chains	8th 64th	Chains	8th 64th	Chains	8th 64th	Chains	8th 64th	Chains	8th 64th
1st Clafs	4	-	1 3/8	4 1 3/4	6	49	6	49	"	-	6	46	-	3
2d Clafs	3	-	1 3/8	3 1 3/8	31	8	25	67	5	15	25	6	6	2
3d D:	2	2 4/8	1 3/8	2 3 7/8	216	16	146	49	69	31	144	24	71	56
4th D:	1	5	1 3/8	1 6 3/8	900	13	361	1	539	12	337	52	562	25
5th D:	1	2	1 3/8	1 3 3/8	4,507	51	364	50	4,143	1	358	2	4,149	49
Total					5662	9	905	14	4,756	59	872	2	4,790	7
Per Centage of wastes to ajacent							16	-	84	-	15	28	84	36

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Statement shewing the Teerwah and other particulars connected with 4th and 5th clafses of Lands belonging to other Villages situated on the 4 sides of similar Lands lying waste in the Village of Vaulacolum above referred to-

Where Situated	Names of Villages to which the Lands belong	Clafses of Land	Rates of afsefsment Iyen	Desha-Cavil	Seigal Lands	Extent Cultivation of Fusly 1261		Remaining waste	
			8	f	fanams	Chains	8th 64th	Chains	8th 64th	Chains	8th 64th
North East	Vencatasoorur-proorum	4th Clafs	1	5	60/64	35	7	29	39	5	32
		5th Clafs	1	2	60/64	1038	46	211	19	827	27
North and East South	Letchaneeaproo-rum	4th D:	1	5	1 4/64	89	43	61	3	28	40
		5th D:	1	2	1 4/64	149	-	101	17	47	47
South West	Poothoputty	4th D:	1	5	2 44/64	153	20	126	44	26	40
		5th D:	1	2	2 44/64	397	7	98	21	298	50

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Signed J Silver
Collector

Memo

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Memo: Shewing the extra Cesses collected in Fasly 1266 on Palmirah Trees under the designation of Varee and Vuttum in some Villages in the District of Tinnevelly.—

	Varying rates at which the extra cesses are levied	Total amount levied at each rate.		
	Fanams	Rs	a	p
	1	17	-	9
	2	48	3	4
	2 32/64	5	4	4
	3	-	11	4
	3 38/64	8	11	2
	4 12/64	8	14	7
	4	153	3	1
	4 16/64	5	7	2
Varee and Vuttum levied on every 10 Pons of tax paid	4 48/64	5	8	1
	5	-	-	5
	5 28/64	81	12	10
	5 36/64	60	1	2
	5 48/64	5	5	7
	6 16/64	57	7	1
	6 28/64	65	4	4
	7 24/64	-	11	11
	7 28/64	1392	3	-
	7 60/64	34	8	6
	Total	2043	6	1
	½	15	4	9
	1	30	7	5
	2½	-	9	2
"Kaunikay" levied on every 10 Pons of tax a gift or present paid	5	84	1	1
	6 16/64	10	4	8
	7	2	15	6
	Total	143	10	7
		21	14	5
Dittum or fixed "Kaunikay"	2 48/64	1	3	2
Nazur levied on every 10 Pons of tax paid	4½	2896	7	1
	Total	2897	10	3
"Tahareer" on every 15 Pons of D° D° present	1	-	5	1
Deshacavel on every 10 D° D°	6½	23	4	3
	2	5	15	1
	Total	29	3	4

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Cavil fees			
Do Cuttoogorottapa	41	12	7
"Mahalakunky" or ⅛ of the Kennah collected in excess	9	12	10
Deshacanul Surrayloogum	11	1	2
Do Cuttoogeetah	1	-	-
Deshiecanul Kenaloosey or ¼ of the Deshacanul collected in excess	3	11	5
"Kanakuttee" of Tricherdoor River	-	13	7
Sanier Soradoo and Pitta Soradoo	5	4	10
Vasee and Puttum Kenaul on Deshacanul Kenaul	6	2	5
Valay Puttum Pittum	-	9	10
Deshacanul	21	3	4
	80	9	8
Grand Total of Fasly 1266	5318	3	5
Fasly 1263	5151	1	-

Signed J. Silver
Collector

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No 71

To J. S. Forbes, Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George

Bo No 808
From the Collector
of Tinnevelly

Sir I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt from the Proceedings of the Board of
Revenue dated the 3d February requesting in-
formation as to how the value of one rupee
per ton for Coral Stones, has been obtained,
how many buckets for one ton, for what
how many buckets are required, and whether
purposes the Stones are required, and to state
I have ascertained that the value or Contract
rate assigned by the Ceylon Contractor N.
M. Roche Victoria is correct. I have the
honor to inform your that the value of
one rupee per ton was determined by the
New Custom House Reydar of Tuticorin,
after enquiring as to the price the poor fisher-
men and others receive for these stones
when they brought them on shore, and
which he stated to vary from 5 annas
to one rupee the boat load.

As to the question, how many
buckets go to a ton, and the purposes
for which these stones are required, I

I will make further enquiry and report the same, under as regards the contract rate assigned. I beg to forward for the information of the Board Copy of the letter giving the contract, transmitted to me by the Contractor N. M. Roche Victoria

3 No value has ever been put by the Government upon these stones, and it is evident that the contractor did not anticipate that any difficulty would be thrown in his way or that he would be called upon to pay for these stones, the Islands having hitherto been open to all. It is also equally evident, that the offer to rent the exclusive privilege of gathering these stones was made by the opposite party, to prevent the other fulfilling his contract. The amount offered was very small only 200 Rupees a year, still as such an offer had been made I considered it proper to refer the point for the decision of the Board of Revenue with my own recommendation that no innovation should be

be introduced, the supply being reported inexhaustable; but all parties should be left free to take what stones they please from the Islands, the same as before.

At the time this discussion arose the Contractor had partly loaded one of his Vessels with Coral stones from some Islands near Pyapaur, and having taken on board live stock, Cattle and Goats, at Tuticorin, he solicited that his Vessel might be allowed to proceed on his departing such sum as might be determined and I accordingly directed that a clearance might be given on his paying into the Custom House as a deposit, a sum equivalent to one Rupee per ton for the Coral Stones on board and 55 Rs and 13 Annas were accordingly paid and are now held in deposit pending a settlement of the question And the 11th February the Contractor addressed me a letter setting forth the hopes to which he would be subjected, by the non fulfilment of his contract, and a

Copy

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Copy is enclosed for the information of the Board I have in reply informed him that he may export these stones on payment as formerly of a sum equal to one rupee per ton to be held in deposit, till the question has been decided by the Board, and if my recommendation that all parties should be allowed to gether and export these stones without any other charge, than paying the export duty at 3 per Cent. be acceded to, then the deposit money will be returned to him, otherwise it will be carried to the account of Government. I have also informed the Sea Customs Chief Register that any other parties desiring to do so, may export the stones on their terms, but as per the Statement given by the Acting Master attendant Tuticorin and already submitted to the Board; it would appear that to place a value on these stones would be tantamount to a prohibition to their export

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it is not likely any one will risk to do it. The further information required by the Board and promised in this letter, will be sent as soon as possible.

Tinnevelly 15th February 1858

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
Humble Servant
(Signed) A. Silver
Collector

To The Collector and Magistrate of
Tinnevelly

Honoured Sir

I beg to submit the petitioner for your kind consideration

The Contract I entered into
Copy of which I enclose herewith from the
completed within 6 Months commencing
from the 1st January last. Nearly a Month
has expired, and I have not been able
to ship more than 1400 Bushels although
my agent writes me that he has received
preping notice that the Government
require the Coral stones without delay
to carry on the work for which they
are intended, and your honor will
perceive

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perceive by the letter written to me that the Commissary General desires I should deliver the stipulated quantity as soon as possible I entered into the engagement never having anticipated the difficulties which have been since thrown in my way in consequence of an offer to rent the Islands by one whose tender to supply the Coral stones was rejected

I need hardly tell your honor that from time immemorial the traders of this Country have been accustomed to get the Coral stones picked up without paying any thing to Government, the expense of collecting being very nearly equal to their intrinsic value. Though the offer to rent the Islands may at first sight show that the Coral stones are of some value, and that the Government might make them a source of revenue, yet it is not difficult to penetrate the motive of that offer or to see that, should the Government

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Government undertake to collect the coral stones to sell them on their own account, the expense of collecting would counterbalance any advantage arising from the sale

I must also submit to your honor, that the circumstances under which this offer is made proves that it is not bonafide and that its object being merely to oppose the plans of another, not only will the Government suffer by the non-shipment of the Coral stones in the month of duty now payable, but the poor Coolies who are now employed will be deprived of work and their means of earning a livelihood destroyed

The offer itself is unprecedented and I therefore beg your honor will sanction my removing the Coral stones upon depositing the value that may be put upon them, pending the decision of the Marine Board, as any delay in my part in fulfilling my Contract, will subject me to a heavy penalty and probably to the loss of all contracts

contracts with the Government in future

Trusting your honor will

favor me with an early reply/

Tuticorin
11th February 1858 } /Signed/ N. McRoche Victoria

Mr. Roche Victoria

Your offer to supply this Department with one Hundred Thousand Bushels of Coast Coral Stones according to the approved sample, at the rate of /32/ Thirty two Shillings per 100 Bushels, delivered at Beer, has been accepted. Payment to be made within the terms of Six Months from the first delivery

You are therefore to deliver the above quantity into the Brick Yard at Beer as soon as possible

Deputy Commr Genl's Office
Col. 11th December 1857 } /Signed/ W. D. Bernard

/True Copy/
/Signed/ Roche Victoria
/True Copies/
/Signed/ P. Silver
Collector
To

No 85

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

Sir

Referring to my letter of the
From the Collr of } 15th Instant I have now the honor to
Tinnevelly } forward Copy of a letter from the
Acting Master attendant Tuticorin,
giving the information about the Coral
Stones, required by the Board
I would beg to recommend
that all parties be allowed
to collect these stones at pleasure,
without any charges, no value having
been put upon them, and that
parties desiring to export the stones
as a trade should pay the export
duty at 3 per Cent, on the estimated
valuation of one Rupee per ton

Tinnevelly } /Signed/ P. Silver
22d February } Collector
1858 } To

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No 9

To The Collector

Tuticorin

Sir

In reply to your letter No 262 of date the 15th Instant, I have the honor to inform you, that S. M. Rocke Victoria has produced to me the Original letter of Mr Bernard Deputy Commissary General of Ceylon under date the 11th of December 1857 informing him that his offer to supply the Government with one hundred thousand Bushels of Coast Coral Stones at 32 per 100 bushels had been accepted. This letter is still in my possession and can be forwarded to you if required.

I have also the honor to inform you that the Coral Stones are required in Ceylon for the purpose of being burned into Chunam. I have had a bushel of the Stones measured and find that it weighs 68 lbs. which is as nearly as possible 33 bushels to the Ton.

A.

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I have to apologize for not having answered your letter of the 15th Instant sooner. The delay arose in consequence of my having been for the last 2 days hastily employed in assisting the Steamer "Manchester" off a rock on which she grounded going out of the Harbour on the evening of the 18th Instant.

Master Attendants Office, Tuticorin 20th February 1858. } Signed W. H. Gray, Asst Master Attendant

True Copy, Signed J. Leiber, Collector

The undermentioned Returns, Letters and Statements

No 593 Miscellaneous Letters and Statements

From the Collector of Chingleput — Returns of Village Officers referred in Section VIII Regulation VII of 1831 for February 1858.

No 594 From the Collector of Cuddapah — Returns to fines imposed at the Stoppages made during the 4th Quarter of 1857

No 595 From the Collector of Guntoor — Bullion Statement for February 1858.

No 596 From the Collector of Madura — Account Current of Salt for February 1858 — Salt

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Mr. No. 590
From the Collector of Vizigapatam } Statement of Current for February 1858.

Mr. No. 586
From the Collector of Cuddapah } Bazar price of Grain for February 1858.

Mr. 587
From the Collector of Cuddapah } Average Bazar price of Grain for February 1858

Mr. No. 588
From the Collector of Ganjam } Average Bazar price of Grain for February 1858.

Mr. No. 589
From the Collector of Cuddapah } Demand Collection and Balance Statement for February 1858.

Mr. No. 596
From the Collector of Guntoor } Statement Imported and Export of Salt in February 1858.

Mr. No. 593
From the Collector of Ganjam } Diary of the Agent to the Governor of Fort St. George in Ganjam for February 1858

Mr. No. 594
From the Collector of Chingleput } Forwarding Rs 13-.-.- being the price of certain Bar Rs.

Mr. No. 591
From the Collector of Bellary } Register of Petitions preferred by the Board for disposal for February 1858.

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