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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue Tuesday the 13th May 1856.

Read the following Papers

B. No. 1403

From the Secretary to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 26th April 1856.

Forwarding, with the observations of Government the papers received from the Bengal Government respecting the attendance of Female pensioners at public offices for the purpose of identification and expressing a hope that the Board will now submit a list of those to be exempted here. . . . . (See No. 417 in separate volume)

Ordered that the following Circular

(479-480) be sent. — Circular

B. No. 1454

Circular to all Collectors including Madras Copy to Commissioner Ceded Dists and Supt South Arcot

Sir I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that you will favor them at your earliest convenience with a list in the annexed form of the Female Yeomiahdars in your District, to whom you would recommend that the privilege of exemption from personal appearance for identification should be accorded. —

As a general rule, all Female

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Yeomiahdars are hereafter to be required to appear at stated periods

periodes for this purpose. The exceptions to this rule will be allowed only in the following Cases.—

1 Of Hindoo and Mahomedan Females of high rank.—

2 Of Goska Females who are prevented by their religion from appearing in public provided they can prove to the satisfaction of the Collector that they have hitherto strictly maintained their seclusion in private life and continue so to do.—

3 The limitation of Goska to Females under 50 years of age will not be regidly maintained in future; but the limits of exemption will be more strictly confined to females of rank and birth in the case of the elderly than of the Youthful.—

4 As the Special sanction of Government is necessary in each case of exemption, you will be careful in your list to give fully the grounds on which your recommendations is based. You will note those cases, if any, in which you make remain Still undrawn in Consequence of the parties being Compelled to appear in person for identification.—

Revenue Board's office
Fort St. George
13th May 1856.

(Signed) G. L. Forbes
Secretary

Number of Journal in Register	Name of party	age	Caste	Amount of Pension	Name and Description of Father and Husband	Detailed grounds on which exemption is recommended.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

B/ No 1412
From the Secretary
to Government
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Read Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 28th April 1856

Sanctioning the remission of the Quit Rent on the land at Soudarapettah used as a Cemetery by the Congregation of the Lutheran Mission Church at Royapooram

(See No 424 in Seperate Volume)

481-482

B/ No 1461
Order thereon

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

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B/ No 1538
From the Chief Secy
to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Public Department Dated 28th April 1856.—

Read the following letter from the Reverend P. Percival

Forwards a Number of the Tamil News Paper "Dina Vartamani" and solicits the aid of Government in the manner suggested

(Here Enter 8th March 1856.)

The Government are pleased to learn the Success that has attended the publication of the Tamil News paper the Dina Vartamani."—

2 They will prepared to send for insertion in it as well as in the Telugu edition when published, to be paid for as Advertisements any notices which it may be desirable to publish for the information of the Native Community and will

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will authorize the heads of Offices at the Presidency to do the same entering the charges in their contingent bills but they are not prepared to take any specified amount of space in the papers regularly for the purpose.—

(True Extract)

(Signed) J. Pycroft
Chief Secretary

To The Sadr and Foujdaree Adalut
" Board of Revenue
" Marine Board
" Board of Examiners

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Order thereon

B.t No. 1516
From the Secretary to Government

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Ordered to be recorded

Read Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 3d May 1856

Sanctioning the employment for a limited period of two extra peons for the purpose of patrolling the Village of Cuthanagrum during the night — } See No. 446 in Separate Volume

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B.t No. 1440
Ordered thereon

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B.t No. 1517
From the Secretary to Government

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Malabar for information and guidance.—

Read Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 3d May 1856

Passing the Indent of the Collector of Coimbatore for Gunpowder and requesting information as to its intended dispersal — } See No. 444 in Separate Volume

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B.t No. 1437
Order thereon

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

B.t No. 1522
From the Secretary to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 3d May 1856.

Sanctioning the refund to the Ryots of the Chittoor Taluk in North arcot of the Sums of Rupees 88 and Pie 7 being the amount collected from them in excess in Fasly 1264. } See No. 445 in Separate Volume

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B.t No. 1439
Order thereon

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

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B.t No. 1540
From the Secretary to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 7th May 1856.—

Approving of the more elaborate census being postponed till December 1857 stating that any alterations that may be intended in the statements adopted at the last census in Bengal and the North West Provinces will be communicated to the Boards, and desiring to see the Rules drawn up by the Board for taking the census before they are printed. — } See No. 463 in separate Volume

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Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded the rules will be laid before Government as soon as they are prepared

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B.t No. 1542
From the Secretary to Government

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Public Works Department dated 7th May 1856.-

Communicating a letter from the Collector of Madura, and stating that no alteration need be made in the management of the Madura Town Funds in consequence of the orders contained in Extract Minutes Consultation of 18th April 1856.

/See No. 662 in separate Volume/

Ordered to be recorded

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Order thereon

B.t No. 1580
From the Secretary to Government

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

Communicating the orders of Government as regards the disposal of the 5 Autographic Presses recently received from England disapproving of the mode in which the Collector of Coimbatore has appropriated the stamp fees in order to meet the necessary Establishment for a Press and stating that if he shall be able to propose a suitable reduction to meet the same the Government will then authorize the Board to purchase a Press and type for his use

/See No. 478 in separate Volume/

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B.t No. 1434
Order thereon

Ordered that copy of paras 2 to 5 of the above Extract Minutes Consultation and paras 2 to 4 of the Boards letter to Government be forwarded to the Collector of Coimbatore for his information and guidance

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B.d No. 1586
From the Secretary to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department, dated 9th May 1856.-

Authorizing the defence of the Suit brought against the Collector of Malabar in the Principal Sudr Ameens Court at Tellicherry by Puttanwathy Koomba Reddy and Kannen of Andaloor and requesting that information as to the Circumstances which led to the institution of the Suit may now be called for from the Collector.

/See No. 476 in Separate Volume/

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B.t No. 1469
Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated with para 5 of the Boards letter to the Collector of Malabar who is requested to report how the Suit originated.-

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B.t No. 1486
From the Commissioner Northern Circar

No. 248

Memorandum

In the Statement in para 44 of the Commissioners General report on the Settlement for Fasly 1264 the fractional parts of the Sums for which Sanctions

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is asked have been omitted - The Commissioner requests that the Secretary to the Board of Revenue will be good enough to supply the deficiency from the following. —

Statement shewing the particulars of Land and Extra Sources of Revenue and Sevoy Summa to be remitted out of the amount noticed in para 44 of the Commissioners General report for Fusly 1264 dated 17th March 1856. —

District	Extra Revenue: Sundry Small farmes	Inoteripha	Total	Sevoy Sewai	Grand Total
	2	3	4	5	6
	Rs a P	Rs a P	Rs a P	Rs a P	Rs a P
1 Ganjam	43 4 -	6 6 6	49 10 6	" " "	49 10 6
2 Vizagapatam	" " "	108 " "	108 " "	" " "	108 " "
3 Rajahmundry	16 9 6	51 6 9	68 " 3	5 9 6	73 9 9
4 Masulipatam	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "
5 Guntoor	" " "	42 " "	42 " "	" " "	42 " "
Total	59 13 6	207 13 3	267 13 9	5 9 6	273 4 3
Deaths	" 12 "	17 5 "	18 1 "	" " "	18 1 "
Desertions	11 7 6	41 7 7	52 15 1	" " "	52 15 1
Poverty	47 10 "	29 5 3	76 15 3	5 9 6	82 3 9
other reasons	" " "	119 11 5	119 11 5	" " "	119 11 5
Total	59 13 6	207 13 3	267 11 9	5 9 6	273 4 3
Land Revenue Rents for more than one year					212 12 0
Peishcush and jamabundy rents					45 10 3
Grand Total					451 7 3

Comm.rs Office
Vizagapatam
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To

The Commissioner in the
Northern Circars.

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B. No. 1431

To the Commissioner Northern Circars — Sir

In Cons.n 13th May 1856 No. 1186.

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of your Official Memorandum dated 2d April No. 248 submitting a Statement shewing the particulars of land and Extra sources of Revenue and Sevoy Summa to be remitted out of the amount noticed in para 44 of the General Report for Fusly 1264, and to request that you will

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will be pleased to furnish a state-
ment shewing the like particu-
lars for Fusly 1263; and at the
same time to state to what
district or districts the balance
of Rupees 202-14-3 on account
of "Rents for more than one
year" entered in the statement
now under acknowledgment
belongs.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
13th May 1856.

Signed G. S. Forbes.
Secretary

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To

B. Cunliffe Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

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B. No. 1272.

From the Collector of Cuddapah. } Sir. Para 1

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Extract from the proceedings of the Board of Revenue under date the 19th Ultimo, in which they request the Collector to explain how in case No. 1 the ryots can be required under Regulation IX of 1822 to make any payments. In reply I have to state that under this regulation the ryots are not called upon to make any payments - they were only required to make good the sum deficient as they can produce no receipts or documents to show they had paid up their kists. The whole amount of embezzlement was said to be Rupees 58-2-" of which Rupees 38 were acknowledged to have been paid by the ryots, which appears in the shroffs accounts but not entered in the Curnums. The Curnums were

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punished for the embezzlement of this sum of 38 Rupees and the ryots were held answerable for the remainder as they cannot produce receipts for the payment.

2. The Board further wish an explanation as to "how money collected and entered in the Shroffs account could have been embezzled by the Curnum or found its way into his posse[s]sion." In reply I have to explain that the Curnum collected the money and held it in his posse[s]sion whilst the shroff entered it in his accounts, the cause of this Curnum keeping the money in his posse[s]sion was on account of the demise of the two reddies, it is by no means the Custom for the Village shroffs to retain in their posse[s]sion the money collected on account of Government dists whilst the reddies are influential men. The Curnums in this case were transferred to the Gyre mi[s]sul list, and the complainant named Goorroomorty alias Goorroovarge placed in the mi[s]

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3. The village officers in case No[s] 2 were not dismi[s]sed.-

Cuddapah District.
Collector's Office on Circuit,
Royachoty 8[th] May 1855.

[Signed] M. Murray
Collector.

Order thereon
(501-502)

Ordered to be recorded.

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To
G. L. Forbes Esq[re]
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
For[t] St[e] George.

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B[d] No[s] 748.

From the Collector of North Arcot,

Sir

I have the honor with reference to Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 28[th] Ultimo No[s] 619, on petition from Ramachender Row late Head Goomastah in the Sub Collectors Establishment, to state that I am precluded from restoring Ramachender Row to his employment in the Sub Division, as his appointment was filled up on his resignation, unle[s]s the Board are of opinion that the Goomastah appointed in Ramachender Row's place, should be removed.-

2 I do not think that this measure would be advisable, even setting aside its injustice to the new Goomastah, for it appears to me that it would be far preferable, as long as the present Sub Division Serista[d]ar remains in Office, that Ramachendra Row

should be appointed to a situation of equal emolument in the Principal Division, which I shall confer upon him on the first opportunity.

3. I do not consider it necessary to inflict any further punishment on Ramachendera Row by delaying his reappointment to Office, for as the Board observe, the loss of allowances already sustained, is a sufficient penalty for his disobedience, which was apparently the only fault he had committed; but Ramachendra Row must necessarily wait, till a vacancy occurs, unless the Board authorize the measure adverted to in para 1.

North Arcot,
Collector's Cutcherry,
Chittoor, 1st March 1856.

/ Signed / C. Whittinghan
Collector.

B. No. 1450.

Proceedings thereon.-

(503-564)

Under the circumstances stated the Petitioner Ramachendra Row must wait until a vacancy occurs, before he can be reappointed to an Office of equal emolument, but this need not preclude his re-employment meanwhile in a minor situation.

2. The Board trust the Collector will be enabled at an early period to give full effect to the instructions conveyed in their Proceedings No. 619 dated 28th February last.

No. 70.

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

(505)

B. No. 1143.

From the Collector of Nellore, ... Sir.

With reference to your letter of the 18th Ultimo. I have the honor to forward copy of a communication from Mr. Minchin the Sub Collector furnishing the information required by the Board regarding the proposition for training a class of Practical Surveyors.-

Nellore, Collectors Office, 3d April 1856.

/ Signed / T. B. Elton
Collector.

No. 1

No. 42.

To
T. B. Elton Esqre
Collector of Nellore,

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your Memo No. 30 of the 24th, forwarding a letter from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, calling for details as to my proposal for training a class of Practical Surveyors, which

which the Board is good enough to approve of.

With respect to the number of pupils I propose to instruct, I think that in the first instance, six would be the maximum that it would be possible to entertain on the rate of Rupees 5 per mensem.

The only qualification required from them would be the power of writing English neatly. but even this requisition is not possessed by any of the Comedwars in the Division, and I should look to the Schools at Nellore to provide me with my first batch of pupils.

If it were considered advisable to raise a class of Telougoo surveyors, unacquainted with English writing, I should have no difficulty in finding a larger number of intelligent pupils but I fear that without a Knowledge of English, their services would be useless afterwards for the proposed General Survey of the District.

Four peons on a pay of three Rupees a month would be sufficient for the mechanical operations of guiding the Perambulator, and measuring

measuring with the chain, and until the pupils were instructed in both the modes of surveying, namely with the compass and chain, or with the chain alone, two peons would probably be sufficient as a commencement.

The following is a list of the instruments, which I believe will be absolutely indispensible for the class, and which I have endeavoured to draw up on the most economical scale.

1 Prismatic compass on stand
1 Gunters chain and arrows the chain to be 66 feet
1 Case of Mathematical instruments
1 Large Parallel ruler.

The above for the general use of the class, together with a large sized Perambulator, which I have found in the Cutcherry, and which only requires such slight repairs as I think can be effected in Nellore.

I think that it would be very useful to have three extra pairs of compasses and Protractors, one for every two pupils in the class besides

besides those contained in the case of instruments.

If Circular Protractors are procurable in Madras, they are more easily plotted from, than those of the ordinary kind, and when engraved on Board, are the most economical of any.

In instructing the class, I shall have the assistance of my present English Writer Gopalia a proficient of the university of this year, and who, fresh from his mathematical studies will be a most useful coadjutor. I fear that few other Government servants will be inclined to enter the class, tho' I shall offer every inducement to them to make themselves acquainted with so useful an acquirement.

Singaroy aconda k,
Sub Collectors Ct.
Cutcherry, 27th
March 1856.

/Signed/ I. I. Minchin
Sub Collector

/True Copy/
/Signed/ F. B. Elton
Collector

F.F.B.

Bd. No. 145.
Proceedings thereon.
505-506

Mr. Elton having recommended a proposal from Mr. Minchin the Sub Collector of his District to entertain a class of pupils for instruction in Land Surveying, the Board requested to be furnished with a Statement of the number of pupils not in Government service whom Mr. Minchin proposed to instruct together with a list of the description and number of instruments which he thought sufficient for the object in view; the second letter above recorded is the reply to that call.

2. The Board observe that Government in sanctioning the formation of a class in Rajahmundry at a charge of Rupees (68 - -) sixty eight per month, expressed their approval of the formation of similar classes in other Districts whether efficient superintendence could be secured. Mr. Minchin states that he is acquainted with the principles of practical surveying with the Compass and chain and proposes availing himself of the assistance of his English Writer who is a Proficient of this year from the Presidency College, in the superintendence of the class. He intends to restrict the number of stipendiary pupils to six at Rupees five each per month and the number of peons to two for the present on a pay of Rupees three each per month, making in all a monthly charge of Rupees Thirty six, with an addition

of

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of six Rupees for two peons more when the pupils have acquired a knowledge of measuring both by the chain, and by the Compass and chain.

3. Under the views already expressed by Government and the Board in connection with this subject the Board of Revenue see no objection to a compliance with Mr Minchin's proposal and accordingly recommend that the sanction of Government may be given to the monthly disbursement of Rupees forty two by the Collector, for one year, subject to renewal in the event of the progress of the pupils proving satisfactory at the end of that time.

4. As the remainder of the stock of Instruments purchased on account of the survey classes does not comprise any of the Instruments required by Mr Minchin except the large Parelel Ruler and dividers, the sanction of Government will be necessary for the purchase of the instruments entered in the † Margin at an estimated aggregate value of Rupees One hundred and Nineteen-

	Rs	a	p
1 Prismatic Compass	47	—	—
1 Gunter's Chain with Arrows	16	—	—
1 Case of Mathematical Instruments	35	—	—
3 Small Semicircular Ivory Protractors	21	—	—
	119	—	—

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No. 23

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

(507)

Bs No. 1185

From the Coffy agent to the Govt at Kurnool

Sir,

Adverting to an Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue under date the 22d January last Calling upon the Agent to "inform the Board "whether any written order exists in evidence "that Mr Blane restored the Enam "to Petitioner "I have the honor to state that by the "Vuti Puttah "or written order given by Mr Blane during his first Jamabundy on the Assumption of the Country, it is evident that Mr Blane restored the Enam to Petitioner

† Parood Ramiah of Sirwell Talook

Kurnool.
Govt Agents Office
4th April 1856

/Signed/ John. G. Russell
Officiating Agent to the Govt

Proceedings

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Bd No 1430

Proceedings thereon. The Officiating agent

(507-508)

is requested to return, without delay, the Petition, Board No 7 of 1855 and Government No 2532 of 1855 with its enclosures. The Petition was returned to him with the Board's Proceedings dated 22d January last and is now required for transmission to Government with the Board's Proceedings & the reports received on Remarks since to the Cowle under reference.

To

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(509)

Bd No 1207

From the Collr of Nellore

No 125

To

G. I. Forbes Esqr

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to report that one Casaree Majee the Syrang of a Vessel called Doorgaprasad undertook on the part of Contractors V. Cherandoss and Mohadeen Nadar Saib to export from the Port of Ex Rapully 4000 Indian Maunds of Salt to Calcutta on Government Indent- After receiving 1034 Maunds 20 Maunds on board the Vessel it was found that She was leaky whereupon the Syrang relanded the Salt and placing it under charge of his own people promised to reship it, after the Vessel had undergone repair, for which purpose she was taken to the Port of Kistnapatam The Salt still remains in charge of the Syrang and he has applied to have it taken back, and the charges incurred in shipping it to be borne by Government. I am of opinion that this latter charge should be borne by himself, but as there is no prospect

of

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of the Salt being exported to Calcutta, as originally intended, that it should be received back into the Government Stores, and the quantity debited to the Bengal Presidency in my account, be written back. Under these circumstances I request to be favored with your instructions on the Subject.

Nellore
Collectors Office
9th April 1856

/Signed/ F. B Elton
Collector

Bd No 1408
Proceedings thereon
509-570

Under the Circumstances presented in the foregoing letter, the Board agree with the Collector that the Shipping Charges of the Salt alluded to, should be paid by the Syrang of the Vessel. The Board observe that the Syrang ought to have ascertained before engaging to take the Salt that the Vessel was seaworthy as he had sufficient means of doing so while the Salt had not been

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the wastage which may have occurred be entered in the annual General Wastage Statement as a Separate item "Wastage incurred on Salt Shipped and relanded" these Proceedings being quoted in Support of the Entry.

No 68

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

511

Bd No 1337
From the Collector
of Salem

Sir,

I have the honor to submit a Statement in the prescribed form relative to certain Mocturahs Sequestered for arrears of Revenue due up to the 11th February 1856 or the Thy Hist of Fusly 1265, and to request the Boards Sanction for the required Establishment.

Salem
Collectors Office
Onjeriut
Irrumattoor 19th April 1856

/Signed/ H. A Brett
Collector

Statement

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Statement Shewing the Mootahs Sequestered for arrears of Rent to the 11th February of Fye Kist of Fusly 1265 in the District of Salem with the establishment appointed to their Shares requiring the Sanction of the Board of Revenue

Names of the Zemindaries or Estates	Names of the Zemindars or Proprietor	Number of villages included in the Zemindary or Estate	Permanent Jumma of the Entire Zemindary or Estate	Amount of Kist due for Present Fusly	Amount Collected	Balance	Number of the Village proposed to be attached	Actual or Estimated annual Value of the portion proposed to be attached	Establishment proposed to be employed in the attachement	Percentage of the establishment to the estimated annual value of the portion proposed to be attached	Date of the attachment	Remarks
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									2 14 " "			
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									4 28 " "			
Total		17	12236 9 0	5469 " "	2648 4 "	2822 12 "	17	12236 9 3		9 39 8 "	" " "	"

Salem Collectors Office on Circuit
Sroomuttoor 19th April 1856

/Signed/ H. A. Brett
Collector

Proceedings

Bd No 1433

Proceedings thereon

511-512

The Board of Revenue Sanction the employment of the several Establishments exhibited in the Statement which accompanies the fore-going letter at an aggregate charge of Rupees 89 — 8 . per Mensem for the management of Certain Moottahs attached for Arrears of revenue for the Current Fusly.

No. 117

513

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

Bd No. 1391.
From the Collector of Tinnevelly.

Sir,

In acknowledging Extract from the Proceedings of the Board, under date the 15th Instant, I beg to state that due publicity has been given in this District to the Honorable Courts Despatch, conferring a life pension on the widow of the late Soolochenmun Moodeliar Vadivenmmal is I believe at present on a pilgrimage to Rammiseram, as soon as she returns to Tinnevelly, I will communicate the Court's Despatch to her.-

2 Vadadrisadasum the only Son of the late Soolochenmun Moodeliar, holds the Office of 4th Judge of the appeal Court at Trevandrum, under His Highness the Rajah of Travancore. He has lately printed in a small pamphlet various testimonials borne by Government and by different authorities to the good services of his grand father

and

and Father, the former of whom rendered good service during the Polygar rebellion in the early part of the present century, and the merits of the latter have been publicly acknowledged by the Government and the Court of Directors.-

3. Vadadrisadasum has sent me unofficially a copy of this pamphlet, as a private friend of his late Fathers, and has requested that if no objection exists I would give him copies of my Predecessor Mr. Bird's letter making mention of his family, when a reference was made to him on the subject of bestowing a pension on Vaddevummal, and of the present Despatch from the Court, and as I see no objection to this request, I beg the permission of the Board to give Vadadrisadasum copies of Mr. Bird's letter to the Board, of 23d June last, and of the 1st and 2d Paras of the present Despatch from the Court in which honorable mention is made of the late Subbachenum Moodeliar.-

Tinnevelly Collectors Ct. Cutcherry
Trichendoor, 21st April 1856. } /Signed/ J. Silver
Collector

Bd. No. 1443.
Proceedings thereon.- (513-514)

In submitting the above recorded letter for the information of Government with reference to the Extract from the Minutes of Consultation dated 3d April 1856 No. 485 the Board recommend that permission may be granted to the Collector to furnish Vadadrisadasum Moodelly with the documents he has asked for.-

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No. 64.

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

(515)

Bd. No. 1470.
From the Collr of Vizagapatam }

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 14th Instant, No. 1112 and to inform you that the circular letter therein alluded to of 18th December 1855 was not received at this Office.-

Vizagapatam Collector's Office 25th April 1856 } /Signed/ P. B. Smollett
Collector

Bd. No. 1446.
Proceedings thereon.- (515-516)

The Board observe that 3 Copies of their Circular dated 18th December 1855, No. 3400, were despatched to the Collector.- However

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However a spare copy is forwarded herewith and Mr. Smollett is requested to furnish an early report on the subject of the Circular for submission to Government.

No. 37

To, G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort St. George,

Sir,

With reference to my letter of the 15th February last, I have the honor to inform you that I have now made a Division of the Printing Type in my office and have distributed it according to the annexed list No. 1 as follows.

	lbs	Oz
For Bellary English Telugoo and Canarese Types	2,442	5
For Cuddapah English & Telugoo	1369	2½
For Madras English & Canarese	1154	15½
For Do worn out and unserviceable letters to be sent hereafter	29	5½
Total	4,995	12½

2. The 2d Press with the Sundry materials as per list No. 2 have also been allotted for Cuddapah.

(517)

Bd. No. 1515
From the Collr. of Bellary —
Forwards a list shewing the Printing Press stock of materials allotted for Cuddapah and Madras and that retained for the use of the Press in his own Office.

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3. The list No. 3 shews the stock reserved for my own Office.

4. Under charge of Soobadar Chengulroya of the 14th Regiment N.I. commanding a detachment escorting Treasure to the Presidency, I took the opportunity of despatching most of the Types on two Bandies, one to the Collector of Cuddapah, and the other to the Board's Office.

5. There is yet a small quantity to be despatched to the Board and the Collector of Cuddapah which was not assorted when the Treasure Detachment left. It shall be forwarded at an early opportunity.

6. I beg also to state that the tarpaulins which were received from the Government Office with the new forms of Village accounts have also been sent by the same opportunity — which I request you will be so good as to make over to the Government Office.

× See lists Nos 4 & 5

Bellary District Collector's Office on Circuit at, Ramandroog 25th April 1856.

(Signed) C. Pelly
Collector

Detailed

1856. Fort St. George

No. 1 Detailed List of Type retained for the the Collector of Cuddapah, and the Board

No.	Description of Type	Retained for Bellary		Sent to Cuddapah	
	English Type				
1	Double Pica Roman and Italics	26	6	"	"
2	Pica Roman and Italics	84	12½	75	3½
3	Small Pica Roman	88	10¼	88	10¼
4	Long Primer Do.	92	13¾	92	13¾
	—Do. Italics	65	14½	"	"
5	Old Long Primer Roman	"	"	55	12
	—Do.—Italics			23	2
6	Brivier Roman	75	2	75	2
	—Do.—Italics			40	5
7	Ornamental Type and Borders	40	5	63	12½
		474	"	514	13
	Telugoo Type				
8	Pica size Madras cast	"	"	386	6
9	—Do.—London Cast	369	4½	369	4½
		369	4½	755	10½
	Canarese Type				
10	Pica size London cast	614	10¾	"	"
11	new—Do. Madras cast	561	2¾	"	"
12	Long Primer Do. Bellary cast	280	4½	"	"
13	Brivier—Do.—Madras cast	"	"	"	"
14	Pica—Do.—Madras cast being the surplus remained owing to a complete Telugoo case made for Cuddapah	"	"	"	"
15	Spare Quadrats	1456	2	"	"
16	Leads and Riglets of afferent seize	10	3	10	3
17	English, coarse and Telugoo worne out and unserviceable letters which are sorted out when the cases were examined	132	11½	88	7½
		142	14½	98	10½
		2442	5	1369	2¼

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use of the Collectors Press at Bellary, and that sent to of Revenue at Madras.

Sent to Madras		Total	
"			
"			
"			
"			
"			
102	8		
"	"		
"	"		
"	"		
"	"		
102	8		
"			
"			
"			
630	4½		
"	"		
335	11		
86	8		
1052	7½		
"			
"			
29	5½		
29	5½		
1184	5	4995	12¼

Note

	lbs	oz.
Sent to Cuddapah on the 7th April 1856	901	3
Do. to Madras	1154	15

To be sent hereafter

For Cuddapah	46	15¼
Do. Madras worn out letters	29	5½
Total		
Cuddapah	1369	2½
Madras	1184	5

(Signed) Kelly
Exam. Asst.

1857.

Fort St. George, 13th May 1856

No. 2.

List of Printing Press Stock of Materials allotted for Cuddapah.

Sent on the 20th February 1856

1 Cast Iron Printing Press (Albian)
2 Spare spiral springs exclusive of the one in use
2 Turn screws 1 large and 1 small
4 Chases of different sizes.-
1 Tympan
3 Pairs of Tyspan points or pins
2 Friskets. 2 Pairs of Ball Stalks and 1 Brush (old)
2 Pieces of wooden Blocks - 1 Board for cleaning Printed forms.-
1 Plat form for the press to rest upon

Sent on the 7th April 1856

7	Set consisting of 14 English upper and lower cases.		
4	Cases for Ornamental letters and borders		
2	Brass composing sticks and 12 Wooden sticks		
8	Galleys of sizes		
3	Cases for Telugoo Types and 2 Stands	lbs	qr.
9	Sorts of English Types consisting of Italics, Ornamental letters, & Borders weighing	514	13
1	Do. of Madras cast Telugoo Type	386	0

To be sent by a further opportunity

1	Sort of London cast Telugoo Type	369	43/4
	Spare Quadrats	10	3
	Leads, Riglects of different sizes	88	7½
		1369	2¼

4 Large Galleys, 1 File and 3 Bodkins.
1 Imposing stone with stand and 1 Small Box with divisions for spaces &c and a small quantity of gusins and furniture for dressing forms.-

/ Signed / C. Pelly
Collector

List

1858. Fort St. George, 13th May 1858

No. 3

List of Printing Press stock of Material retained for the use of the Collectors Press at Bellary.

1	Columbian Printing Press
2	Turn Screws (1 large and 1 small)
5	Chases of sizes (of which 1 is country made and unserviceable)
1	Frisket
1	Tympan
3	Pairs of Tympan Points or Pins.
3	Pairs of Ball Stalks
1	Sheeps trotter or hammer for making Ball
1	Ink Tub with stand 1 Canister with a small quantity of Ink.
2	Brushes
2	Pieces of woollen cloths for insertion between the tympans
1	Flat Table — 1 Ink Do — 1 water Tub with stand
	1 Pair of Shears — 2 Files
6	Bodkins 1 English Bellows (old) 2 Boards for washing and cleaning Printed forms.
2	Boards for damping paper 1 Mallet 1 Plainer
1	Shooting stick for locking up forms
7	Sets consisting of 14 English upper and lower cases with 4 stands 3 cases for Ornamental letters and Borders 1 case for leads and Riglets
18.	Cases for Canarese and Telugoo Types with stands.
9	Spare cases for Canarese Types with 2 sets of stands, 2 small Boxes for spaces &c. —
	2 Imposing stones with stands.
2	Iron composing sticks 14 Wooden Do and 15 Galleys of sizes.
9	Sorts of English Types consisting of Italics ornamental letters and Borders weighing ———

lbs	oz.
	4/4 — "
3 Sets of Canarese and 1 Set of Telugoo Types weighing ———	1825 — 6 3/4
Spare Quadrats ———	10 3
Leads and Riglets of different sizes ———	132 — 11/4
	2442 — 5.

1	Standing Press complete for smoothening printed sheets.
200	English Polished Boards.
25	Do Mill Boards.
8	Jungle wood Boards (2 large and 6 small)
2	Large Knives for separating printed sheets
1	Teakwood Almirah

(Signed) C Pelly
Collector.

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List of Type No. 4 to be sent to the Board's Office by Bangly Parcels

	lbs	Oz.
Worn out letters of English Telugoo and Canarese languages	29	5½

(Signed) C. Pelly
Collector

No. 5.

List of Type and other Printing Materials to be sent to the Collector of Cuddapah

	lbs	Oz.
1 Telugoo Pica size London cast weighing	369	4¾
1 Spare Quadrats	10	3.
1 Leads, Riglets, of different sizes	88	7½
	467	15¼

4 Large Galleys, 1 File and 3 Bodkins
1 Composing stone with stand.
1 Small Box with divisions for spaces &c. & small quantity of quoins and furniture for dressing forms.

(517-518)
Order thereon.

(Signed) C. Pelly
C. Master

Ordered to be recorded.-

So.

1860 Fort St. George 13th May 1856

No. 58

(519)

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

Bd No. 1509
From the Collector
of Coimbatore

Sir,

With reference to your official Memorandum of the 4th Ultimo No. 6801 I have the honor to forward Copy of letter from Captn Hamilton dated 24th Instant affording particulars Regarding Mr. Farrington's appointment and its cessation.-

Octacamund
28th April 1856

(Signed) E. B. Thomas
Collector

No. 1

To The Collector of
Coimbatore.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 175 of the 15th Instant calling for particulars Regarding Mr. Farrington's appointment and its cessation, I have the honor to inform you that on Reference to the Records of the office, I find he was called "Overseer of Sawyers" but his principal duties appear to have been Collecting workmen for the Forest. He resigned in March 1854.-

Coimbatore District
21st April 1856

(Signed) Douglas Hamilton, Captn
Asst Supt of Anamally Forests
(True Copy)
(Signed) E. B. Thomas
Collector

7861

Fort St. George 13th May 1856

B'd No. 11436

Proceedings thereon

519-520

The Collector is requested to report whether the office held by Mr. Harington stated under sanction of Government was to be sold on the date, and state whether Mr. Harington was appointed by Government or by any of the local officers & if any Correspondence have taken place about the office, Reference should be made to it. If the appointment was purely local it should be shewn from what source the emoluments attached to it were paid.

No. 131

521

To G. L. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Sir

Fort St. George

B'd No. 1502

From the Collr. of Tinnivelly

With Reference to your Circular of the 17th Instant No. 1172 I have the honor to inform you that the exhibition of 1856 having been already held I will indent on the Principal Commissary of Ordnance for any of the articles that may be required for the next Exhibition.

Tinnivelly — Collector's Cir. Kt. Cutcherry Trichendoor 30th April 1856

(Signed) I. Silver Collector

Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded.

521-522

7862

Fort St. George 13th May 1856.

No. 73

523

To G. L. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

B'd No. 1490

From the Collector of Tanjore

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the Honor to acquaint you that the Rents more particularly mentioned in the Margin were put up to auction this day according to the publicished notice.

2 The Rents were Knocked down for Rupees 2,05,670-0-0 which is Rupees 97,442-0-0 above the upset price Rupees 85072-0-0 above the current year and Rupees 74,292-0-0 above the highest sums Realized in any former years even taking the highest year for each Taluk.

3 The Rents were given for five years and I anticipate that there will be great difficulty in realizing their amounts. Hitherto when Losses have been met with, the leasing party has refused the Rent in the next year and it has been taken at a decrease by some other persons but now if there be loss, the Renter must suffer it for five successive years.

Tanjore — Tranquebar 1st May 1856

(Signed) H. Forbes Collector

Order thereon.

Ordered to be recorded.

523-524

No 61

525

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

Bd No 1525
From the Collr of Coimbatore

Sir,

With reference to your Circular of the 19th Ultimo No 1172 I beg to state that I would Request the articles of the description therein given to be sent for the exhibition to be held in this District.

2 An indent on the Principal Commissary of ordnance for the articles required is submitted herewith and I Request that the same may be ordered to be sent in to me -

Coimbatore Collrs office
Cotacamund
2d May 1856

(Signed) E B. Thomas
Collector

P S. I have only indented for one of each - two would be better if they can be spared -

525-526

(Signed) E B. Thomas
Collector

Bd No 1462
Order thereon - Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter be Communicated to the Principal Commissary of ordnance with a request that he will cause the articles indented for

for by the Collector to be transmitted direct from his office as early as practicable. The Indent after being passed by the Military Board will be forwarded to him -

No 137

527

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

Bd No 1597
From the Collr of Tinnevelly

Sir,

With reference to your Circular of the 18th Ultimo No 1165 I have the honor to inform you that the Demand Collection and balance Statements submitted from this office according to the new forms do not Represent only the transactions of the Month for which the Returns are drawn out, but Contain like the old forms the Demand Collections and Balance to the end of each Month from the Commencement of the Fusly -

Informing that the Demand Collection & Balance Statements submitted from this office represent the transactions of the Month for which they are prepared and also the Demand Collection & Balance to the end of each month from the commencement of the Fusly -

2 These Returns include the Collections actually Credited in the accounts of the Huzzoor Treasury up to the period embraced in them Viz. to the end of each Month and not the amount which though actually Collected may still Remain in the Talook Treasuries -

3 The Demands as regards the first 4 Items noted in the Margin, the Berij of which is known at the Commencement of the Fusly is framed with reference to the Fixed Kisthandy or the amount stipulated to be paid during the several Months in the year - As the Amount

Roshenush
Abkarry
Cheyroot
Tanks.

Land Rent

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Land Revenue
Salt "
Payer "
Sea Custom
Moturpha
Stamps
Excise Revenue.

amount derivable from the Remaining 7 Items cannot be ascertained with certainty the actual Collections on account of these Items Credited in the accounts of the Huzzoor Treasury in each Month are entered as the Demands and Collections under the respective Items for the Months -

4 These Statements though prepared to shew the Items for one entire Month, or for the several Months from the Commencement of the Fasly can be despatched if framed as has been usual hitherto with reference to the actual amount of Cash Receipts at the Huzzoor Treasury on the 3d or 4th of the Month when the Cutcherry is at the Sudder Station and about the 6th when out on Circuit but if they are to include also the amount Collected up to the end of the Month and Remaining at the Talook Treasuries they cannot be sent before the 12th of the Month following that for which the accounts are made up, and moreover their accounts will not correspond with any other account of receipts kept at the office -

5 They also to add that the Collections realized during the greater portion of the Months at the Talooks reach the Huzzoor Treasury before the close of the Months and the Receipts during the latter part of the Months alone which will not be much remain at the Talook Treasuries -

6 The Monthly Salt accounts in like manner include only the actual Receipts on account of Sales Credited during the Months in the Huzzoor Treasury accounts, but these generally are the transactions from the 16th of the previous Months to the 13th of the Months for which the accounts are made up.

Tinnevelly -
Collr's Circuit Cutcherry
Tricklundoor 5th May 1856

(Signed) J. Silver
Collector

Order thereon -

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B. No. 153
From the Chief Engineer D. No. 715

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Fort St. George 13th May 1856

No. 571.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Public Works Department under date the 26th April 1856 -

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer -

Forwards Copy of a letter from the Civil Engineer 3d Division Respecting the Re-Construction of the Talook Cutcherry at Porsonkully with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation 21st June 1855 No. 278

(Here enter 11th April 1856 No. 2158)

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council will defer passing any orders Respecting the proposed new Talook Cutcherry at Porsonkully till he shall have had before him the sentiments of the Chief Engineer on the subject of Standard plans for the various Classes of Talooks, called for in Extract Minutes of Consultation 6th August 1855 No. 935 para 6 -

It is observed that the proposed Repairs to the Porsonkully Mosaqur Khaul and the Madanerum Choultry have been abandoned -

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

No. 3055 -

Resolved to forward a Copy of the above Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

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Consultation No. 574 dated 26th April 1856 to the Secretary Board of Revenue with the Request that he will be so good as to favor the Chief Engineer with a reply to his letter No. 2462 dated 11th April last Regarding Taloor Cutcherries -

Central office of P.W.
Fort St. George
7th May 1856
Order thereon -

(Signed) G. E. Faber, Colonel
Chief Engineer

Ordered to be Recorded a Reply having been despatched on the 9th Instant -

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No. 73

(531)

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

Bd No. 1584
From the Coller
of North Areot

Sir,

With Reference to your letter of the 3d Instant No. 1310 Requesting me to Report the result of the search for Raganachary who gave a deposition before the late Forbes Committee imputing the Nail Seristadar of this District, I have the honor to state for the information of the Board of Revenue that the Reply I received from the Wandawash Tahsildar was, that Raganachary had left Wandawash

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for Madras -

2 On this I wrote to the Collector of Madras a letter of which the enclosed is a Copy - a Communication has been Received in answer from the Collector of Madras (Copy of which is enclosed) informing me that the individual in question has left Madras for this place -

3 I have therefore issued orders to the Tahsildar of Chittoor to forward to me Raganachary immediately on his arrival at this place, and as it is probable that the destination of Raganachary is Wandawash, I have written to that Tahsildar also -

North Areot
Collectors Cutcherry
Chittoor 8th May 1856

(Signed) H. Whitting hams
Collector

No. 1
No. 181

To B. Lauriffe Esqre
Madras -

Sir,

With Reference to your letter of the 18th Ultimo, returning Summons issued by me to be served on one Raganachary, I have the honor to inform you that on the Receipt of your

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your letter I sent another Summons with an order to the Vandavasi Tahsildar directing him to serve it on Raganaikary but the Tahsildar has reported that the party in question is not at present in his Village but has proceeded to Madras. As the Board have directed me to endeavour to procure the attendance of the Complainant in order that the charge brought by him against the Tahsildar may be investigated. I have enclosed another Summons and request you will be so good as to cause a careful search to be made in the Town for him and have the Summons served on him, and direct his attendance before me as early as possible -

Chittoor
1st April 1856

(Signed) C. Whittingham
Collector

No 2

To C. Whittingham Esq Collector

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 1st April 1856, I have the honor to inform you, that a careful search was made regarding Raganaikary who is stated to have just left Madras

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for Chittoor -

Madras
5th May 1856

(Signed) B. Cunliffe
Collector

(True Copy)
(Signed) C. Whittingham
Collector

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Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded -

Resolved that the following letter be despatched -

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Bd No 1435

Circular -

Circular to all Collectors including Madras Commissioner N. C. & Regr & S. Tahsildar

Sir,

Cases have recently been brought to the notice of the Board of Revenue and of Government in which it has been necessary to discuss the modes in which it is Competent to a Collector to deal with disputes between European Settlers regarding rights of irrigation and similar claims connected with the occupancy of land. As difficulty may frequently be felt in disposing of such cases, the Board have instructed me to state for your guidance on like occasions the course which it will be open to you to follow.

Seeking instructions as to the course which it is open to a Collr to follow in disposing of disputes arising between European settlers regarding rights of irrigation and similar claims connected with the occupancy of land -

2 In cases where the disputants are natives, the Regulations as you are aware permit of a settlement by the Collector on summary enquiry under

Regulation

Regulation V of 1822 or by Punchayet, as directed in that Regulation and in Regulation XII of 1816 or lastly the parties may have recourse to a Regular Suit before the Court -

3 Doubts had sometimes been expressed by the Officer in whose jurisdiction a similar dispute had occurred between Europeans as to the application of Regulations V of 1822 and XII of 1816 to European Settlers and in particular an objection to a trial by Punchayet was urged under the supposition that a Punchayet must necessarily be composed of Natives -

4 It was the opinion of the Board that under Act IV of 1837 Europeans holding lands under the Company are amenable to all existing laws for Regulating the Conditions of landed tenure and deciding questions arising out of them and that it is therefore as competent to a Collector to assemble a Punchayet of Europeans as of Natives. In this opinion the Government Pleader has expressed his entire Concurrence he considers that in point of law the Settlement by Punchayet is as open to Europeans as to Natives / the Consent of

the parties being understood) and that the Punchayet itself may be composed either wholly or in part of Europeans so long as the Members selected fulfil the sole requirement of the Regulations regarding their persons and qualification which is that they shall be "Respectable inhabitants of the Village or District" It necessarily follows from this conclusion, that disputes in which one party is a European and the other a Native are equally within the provisions of the Regulations which is in fact rendered irrespective of difference of race by the provisions of Act IV of 1837 -

Revenue Board Office
Fort St George ---
13th May 1856 - -

(Signed) G. S. Forbes
Secretary

Read the undermentioned

Extracts -

B. of Rc. 1519
534

From the Secretary to Government dated 3rd May 1856 for information

Approving of the List of Works proposed to be undertaken in the Guntoor and Masoulipatam Districts and forwarding a copy for the Board's information -

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Ordered to be recorded -

Order thereon -

B. of Rc. 1539
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From the Secretary to Government dated 7th May 1856 -

calling for further explanation connected with the breach of a dam owing to which a balance of Rupees 1329-45 is outstanding against the Villages of

Bayangoodam

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536-537 Bayamgoodem and Billoomilly in Rajahmundry and for the Remission of which the Commissioner has Requested Sanction -

Order thereon - Ordered to be Recorded -

Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous Letters and Statements -

538 Mo. No. 1192 From the Collector of Madura - Return of fines imposed and stoppages made from the pay of Public Servants during the Quarter ending 31st March 1856 -

539 Mo. No. 1191 From the Collector of Malabar - Return of fines imposed & stoppages made from the pay of Public Servants during the Quarter ending 31st March 1856 -

540 Mo. No. 1193 From the Collector of Malabar - Return of fines imposed & stoppages made from the pay of Public Servants suspended or dismissed from Employment during the Quarter ending 31st March 1856 -

541 Mo. No. 1194 From the Collector of Salem - Acknowledging the receipt of a copy of the Budget of Public Works in the Madras Presidency for the official year 1856/57 -

542 Mo. No. 1189 From the Collector of Malabar - Reports that no persons were tried or committed under Regulations IX of 1827 during March last -

543 Mo. No. 1190 From the Collector of Malabar - Return of Village officers suspended or dismissed under Regulation XII of 1831 for March

544 Mo. No. 1076 From the Collectors of Madura - Report on the State of the season for april 1856 -

545 Mo. No. 1089 From the Collector of Madura - Statement of Demand Collection & Balance of Revenue for april

546 Mo. No. 1081 From the Collector of South Arcot - Statement Shewing the value of Gold and Silver Bullion and Specie imported by Sea for april 185

547 Mo. No. 1082 From the Collector of Tanjore - Statement Shewing the value of Gold and Silver Bullion & Specie imported by Sea for april 1856

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue Wednesday the 14th May 1856.

Read the following Papers -

548 Bd. No. 1555 From the Secretary to Government -

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 8th May 1856 -

Stating that Government will await the information called for by the Board relative to the "Brig" Three Venatasawarloo," which had put in at Coringa with a Cargo of Salt, in a leaky condition -

See No. 471 in Separate Volume

548-549 Bd. No. 1152 - Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Rajahmandry with reference to the Boards letter dated 2nd May 1856 -

550 Bd. No. 1578 - From the Secretary to Government -

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

Passing Endorsement on Pet. No. 629 of 1856 to the effect that as the Manniam Village referred to is a Pagoda Endowment and as such, not included under Reg. IX of 1831, Petitioner therefore does not need the permission of Government to enable him to sue -

See No. 479 in Seperate Volume

Ordered

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550-551
Bd. No. 1153.

Order thereon. Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Trichinopoly for information and guidance.

552
Bd. No. 1579
From the Secretary to Government.

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

Communicating the sanction of the Government of India to the proposed increased Revenue and Police Establishments of the Collector of Coimbatore.

/ See No. 480 in Separate Volume /

552-553
Bd. No. 1156.

Order thereon. Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Coimbatore for information and guidance.

554
Bd. No. 1588
From the Secretary to Government.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Public Works Department dated 9th May 1856.

Communicating with the orders of Government thereon a letter from the Director of Public Instruction regarding the selection of a portion of Tirumalla Naicks Palace at Madura for the Zillah School about to be established there and requesting the Board to ascertain from the Collector what parts of the building referred to are required for private purposes under what circumstances and by whom

/ See Nos. 677 in Separate Volume /

1876 Fort St. George 11th May 1856.

Bd. No. 1155.

Order thereon. Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Madura, who will furnish the explanation called for in Para 2 of the foregoing Extract Minutes of Consultation.

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No. 27.

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BN. No. 1334.
From the Offg. Agent to the Governor at Vizagapatam.

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

Sir,

In continuation of my letter of the 19th March 1856 No. 18 I have the honor to state that I tried the Shasildar of the Paumiem Talook on the criminal charge of "concealment of "murder and gross abuse of Police authority" "in having been an accessary after the fact to the "murder of a Buckal of Calwaha Village in his "Talook, whose body was found in a well, with "evident marks of violence on his person, by recording "and signing certain false inquest papers and "depositions in which some of the Material Marks "of violence were omitted, and other false statements,

† Madhwa Row

entered

"entered with a fraudulent intent to conceal the Murder
"of the person referred to, and thus assisted in defeating
"the ends of justice, and having also forcibly caused
"the body to be burnt with intent to avoid inspec-
"tion by any proper authority."

The circumstances attending my enquiry I beg to bring to the notice of the Board as follows.—

Being informed that a combination had taken place between the Tahsildar of Paumem and two wealthy Sowcars of Gurivamund a Village in that Taluk to suppress enquiry into the death of a Buckal by torture, who was a debtor of the said Sowcars, and noticing when the proceedings, long delayed, at last reached me that there appeared even by the inquest papers sufficient marks of violence to raise strong suspicion as to the manner by which deceased met with his death, I started Dawk and arriving unexpectedly during the night on the spot, I first examined the Canal Peon and Duffadar, afterwards I visited the well in which

which the body had been found. I am satisfied that from the water of the well being deep and close up to the sides, the walls only about 30 feet high and very straight independent of other circumstances which come out during the enquiry confirming this conclusion, no living man throwing himself into such a well could have met with the injuries which the body bore marks of. The assistance daringly given by the Amildar to the suspected parties at the time has so confused the Proceedings that the crime could not be traced to the real culprits and although the greatest suspicion rests attached to the Sowkars (with whom the Tahsildar has had pecuniary concerns to a large amount) I gave them the benefit of the doubt and most reluctantly released them, the evidence not being sufficient for their conviction, but this absence of evidence is clearly attributable to the original misconduct of the enquiry by the Tasildar.—

* Having remitted upwards of 1500 Rs. within the last year, bearing interest 380 Rs. more than the whole of his pay for that period.

It appears that on the morning of the 3d. February last the body of the Buckal Pundree Panjiah was found in a well in the village

village of Gurriamul he having been sent for the previous day by the suspected Sowcars to whom he owed money having been seen arriving in charge of two of their Servants to their house, and having been seen last i.e the night before, alive in their house; these facts supported by evidence were denied by the said Sowcars. The circumstance appeared at the very first to cause such a sensation as induced the Amildar, an unusually slow and indolent man to travel during the night upwards of 25 miles, and immediately he arrived on the spot, he placed the two Sowcars above referred to under restraint for 3 or 4 hours but afterwards released them without even taking a Statement from them until 2 days afterwards or making an allusion of the same in his Diary, and their house was not searched.

+ Proved by 6, 7, 8 and 11th Witnesses

+ Mudhwa Row

+ Spoken to by 5th, 10th, 11th and 12th Witnesses.

The widow of deceased was sent for and although she arrived on the night of the 4th her deposition was not taken until the evening of the next day. She loudly

her husbands murder and declined to burn the body till justice had been done to which the Amildar replied he would cause it to be burnt by Chucklars and Pariahs, and thus induced her to burn the body. The marks on the head and back spoken to by almost every witness, as well as the arm being broken at the elbow were not noticed in the Report of the Amildar no respectable man was placed on the Court of Inquest and a Copy of the Statement supposed to have been given before the Amildar by one of the suspected Sowcars was found by me in his charge, and (the writer thereof a Vakeel of the Amildar in a Civil Suit before me) acknowledged having written and given it to the Sowcars by order of the Amildar, who notwithstanding the body was found in one Village tried to prove deceased had gone to another and had died of Cholic inducing him to commit suicide; This I considered is a chain of evidence as to the motives which could have induced

+ Mudhwa Row

+ Spoken to by 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, and 11th Witnesses.

+ 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th Witnesses

+ Mudhwa Row

+ Mudhwa Row

+ Mad. Proceedings sent up by the Amildar.

induced a man holding so responsible a position as Amildar to act in the manner he did. His answer to the charge is only denial. Notwithstanding this strong presumptive evidence, having regard to the difficulties which stand in the way of Judicial conviction, inconsequence of the body not having undergone a Post mortem examination in support of the evidence, and the murder not having been established against any particular party, I released him. But being impressed with the strongest moral conviction that the accused is guilty of the crime laid to his charge and that he is unworthy of trust I recommend his removal from Office, as the Government has a right to retain in its service only such persons as possess its confidence which he has in my opinion most certainly forfeited.—

I have also to bring to the notice of the Board that during the trial of the present case, a paper was found in the Duffter

Duffter of the Amildar purporting having been written as a Memorandum shewing that a certain sum of Money as a contribution had been illegally collected from some of the Villagers for the construction of a Native temple in the Cutcherry of Paumein and this the Amildar admits, so far that he in his Cutcherry, requested the Villagers to aid in charity for the construction of the Temple and that the contributions offered by the Villagers were with his Knowledge received and expended by the Head Coomastah of his Cutcherry, but when called upon by the late Mr. Daniell to report with what means this Temple had been built he stated with his own, and produced receipts which now appear to be false— Three other papers were at the same time found in the Amildars Duffter showing that other sums of Money were illegally collected from Some Villagers as contributions for Some Bramins— These the Amildar admits

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× Mudhwa Row

+ Amildar Mudhwa Row

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admits also.

Kurnool
Govt. Agents Office
12th April 1856.

/Signed/ J. G. Russell Capt.
Offg. Agent to the Governor

Bd. No. 1463
Proceedings thereon
(556-557)

The Board of Revenue are of opinion that the Officiating Agent at Kurnool has shewn sufficient grounds in the foregoing letter for the dismissal of Gnadava Rau, Tahsildar of Paumiam and they accordingly authorize him to dismiss that individual from the Public Service.

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Bd. No. 1489
From the Actg. Collector of Ganjam

No. 78.

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

Sir,

+ No. 122

With reference to the Circular letter from the Board of Revenue under date the 16th January last I regret to observe that a similar omission has been made in my range also for which the smallness of my Sea Custom Establishment is the only excuse I can offer, a Sum of Rupees 156-11-9 has been Collected on different occasions; I request that you will have the goodness to obtain Sanction for refunding this Amount, I will take care that no such Omission occurs again.

Ganjam District
Collectors Cutcherry
Chatterpore 25 April 1856.

/Signed/ W. Knox
Asst. Collector

Bd. No. 1461
Proceedings thereon.
(558-559)

Before recommending the refund of the amount alluded to in the foregoing letter, the Board request the Acting Collector to furnish a statement shewing the particulars of the Customs duty erroneously levied on Goods imported from and exported to Rangoon, arrears and Encumbrances after the passing of act 30 of 1851.

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No. 40.

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

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Bd. No. 1611
From the Collector
of Bellary
+ Extract Proceedings Board of Revenue No. 1822. dated 21st July 1855.

Sir,

I have the honor to state in reply to the circular order of the Board that the detailed Yeomiah Register has been kept up in this Office; when a Yeomiahdar dies an order is sent by the Collector to the Head Accountant and to the Cash Keeper of the Treasury to erase his name from the Pay List. and a letter is immediately sent to the Civil Auditor reporting his decease so there seems good security against the Yeomiah being improperly again disbursed. The Yeomiahdar's name is also scored over in the Register.

In the account which accompanies my separate letter of this date there will be seen that there are four Pensions granted hereditary in this District besides those allowed to dispossessed Poligars and pensioned Rajahs which information the Board have also called.

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called for.
The Pensions are.
No. in the List | Name | Per Annum R. A. P.

4	Goode Bheema Harry	14 - 8 -	
5	Nedanavada Venkatanarasimmah dec'd by S.	39 - 6 -	
6	Moodlagery Streenevasa Harry	32 - 13 -	
7	Casava Bhutt	18 - 6 -	
	Total	105 - 1 -	
	Other Yeomiahs	3825 7 -	
	Grand Total	3930 - 5 -	

Bellary District,
Collector's Office,
Circuit at Ramandroog,
28th April 1850.

Signed/ C. Pelly,
Collector

Order thereon.
(560-561)

Ordered to lie over
No. 39.

To

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

(562)

B. No. 1072
From the Collector of Bellary.

Sir

In reply to the Board's Circular letter of the 29th August last, No. 2264 forwarding Copy of paras 2 and 3 of an Extract from Minutes of Consultation dated 25th July 1855 and requesting to be furnished with

Certain

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certain particulars connected with the yeomiahs of this District to enable them to prepare the General Report called for by Government. I have the honor to submit a detailed Statement of Yeomiahs prepared according to the instructions and in the Form furnished by the Board.

2. In reference to the 7th para in which the Board desire that information may be given in the report as to the measures adopted for checking imposture and their results. I beg to state that with the exception of such females as are precluded from appearing in public and others who are by the sanction of the Board and the Government exempted from attending personally the Yeomiahdars are required to appear before the Tahsildar of the Taloo/E in which they reside to receive their allowances so that the Tahsildar satisfies himself in respect to their identity previous to disbursing their allowances and in the case of Goosha females and others whose exemption from attending personally is sanctioned the Tahsildars previous to disbursing the allowances obtain Certificates from the Constituted Vaseels of such parties attested by two or more witnesses who are

required

required to be Yeomiahdars as to their existence and documents are previously obtained from such Vakeels and Witnesses expressing their knowledge of the consequences attendant on the detection of fraud so that I have every reason to believe that fraud is not practiced.-

3. The accounts containing the ages of the Yeomiahdars not being forthcoming in the records at present it is not feasible to ascertain the ages at which the deceased Yeomiahdars died and consequently this information has been omitted in the Statement but will be furnished as soon as the accounts in question are found for which search is being made among the records. the delay in submitting this Statement has been occasioned by awaiting the result of a search in the records for them up to this time.-

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4. I have given some particulars in the Foot Note to the Statement in excess of the information required in the Forms which was necessary.-

Bellary District —
Collectors Office on Circuit
at Ramandroog 28th April 1850

Signed / C. Pelly
Collector

List.

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List of Yeomiahs payable in the District of Bellary as they stood on the 1st July 1855 Fasly 1265.

No. in Collector's Register		Amount of Allowance	Name & Title	Relation & Whether Title under		Date of Grant
			with A.D. 1742			
3 75	Syed Gaulib	41 1899	By Rungapatta ranz late Yacob Poligar of Ruttunghary in Tuchcle- vanah See- =ra 1084 Cor- =responding which is A.D. 1762	Syed Grand Son	Do. For Services to be performed in the Dur- gah at Badasurah instead of a payment formerly made from the Bariz of Madugserah Taloof	Do. 15th November 1852. Two Villages which were purchased by the family for 950 Pagodas from the Ratnagerry Poligar for defray- ing the expenses of the said Durgha more resumed on accession of a British Govern- ment and an allowance from the Kist- =bundy Bariz was made which has sub- =sequently been changed into money pay- ment direct from Treasury by order of Government under date 15th Nov. 1852.
Total Service - 407 - -						
No. 4 Subsistence Yeomiahs Hereditary						
4 15	Goodsebheema Charlo	44 14 8 -	By Thaha Beema- =Charloo	Grand Son	On For prayers to be Summud offered for the prosperity of the State	By descent 2d October 1821.
			werjung in Hizee- =ra 1108 corresponding with A.D. 1753.			

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5	27	Nathanvadah Venkatanara Simma Sastry	50	39	6	"	Byellavar: jee Hindoo: Row Gorapaday: loo. in Hizree 1168 corresponding with A.D. 1720.	Soora: Shatroo Son	Grand Son Summud	For Subsistence	By descent	18th July 1820.
6	28	Moolagherry Street was a Charloo	60	32	13	"	By Nango Anchootte: in Fusly 1130 corresponding with A.D. 1720.	Vandhan: Chara: Charloo	Great Grand Son Grand Son	For Subsistence	Do	2d October 1821
7	41	Kasavalhuttoo	30	18	6	"	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	long enjoyment	Do	Do	30th May 1823.	This order not forth coming in the Records of Bellary.

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No. 5 Subsistence Yeomiahs.

for 1 or more lives.

8	2	Emam Shaw for life	77	35	"	"	By Abdul Fatteh Baker Banthe Madar in Hizeree 1207. corresponding with A.D. 1792.	Father	Brother	On Summud Shah	Do	Do	20th March 1849
9	25	Meeranmeetoombally Shaw for life	0742		"	"	By Sadutt Khan: Joolcoor year of Durvaish reign.	Syed	Grand Son	Do	Do	Do	Do
10	29	Khajabeebee for life	35	59	1	"	By Fatha Ally Hoosain Khan in the Shahs Son.	Syed	Wife of the Grand	Do	Do	Do	21st June 1847.

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						30 Joloos or Fakeers							
						12 years reign							
11	31	Moojavur Goolam Nabee (for life)	39	27	1	" Ally Khan son of Abdool Hizeree 1155 Carseem corresponding with A.D. 1740	By Putta Mooza grand Son Summud	On	For Subsist. once.	By descent	20th March 1849		
12	32	Caseem Ally Khan Mahmy (for life)	35	16	5	" Known	Known	Known	Without Summud Contained according to Mahmood.	Do	Do	Board's Proceedings 10th June 1810. and 13th July 1846.	
13	34	Fakeer Adeen (for life)	19	19	6	By Ameen Khan in Hizeree 1210 Cor responding with A.D. 1795	For La Disciple	On	Summud	Do	Do	20th March 1849	
14	35	Goolgaru Ally Khan	Do	52	19	6	"	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do
15	36	Mustanse Emambuksh	40	19	5	"	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do
16	37	Goolam Ally Khan	Do	53	2	5	6	"	By Bul. Fakeer from Peer in Hizeree 1214 Corresponding with A.D. 1799.	Son	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do
17	38	Raghavaindra chary (for life)	50	45	15	"	By Meer Bala Mohomed chary Soda Smith the year Rubbava	Son	Summud	On	For subsistence	By descent	3d September 1849.		

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1839	Ghoodooshaw	Do	48	291	"	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown without Summuds Continued according to Manool	Do	Do	20th March 1849

1940	Temmakah wife of Nullaemtasastrolu for life	30	50	"	By Basalutta Nursimo jung in 1784 A.D. 1769	Great Grand sons wife	Dec'd	For Subsistence	By descent 17th August 1827

2061	Syed Ahmudalie Ummaderam for life	40	58	5	By Hesoyat Syed Modeen Khan Ahmud in Hizree 1161 A.D. 1748.	Brother Great Grand Son	Dec'd	For Subsistence	By descent 28th October 1857

Bommatharauzoo		1240	"	"	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Son	For Family maintenance Subsistence is a pension granted at the beginning of the Company's Government to the Poligar's family of Gooda-cotah.	Do	20th January 1852 Pension Amount-ing to Rupees 960 per Annum was first granted to the family of Bommatharauz and which was enjoyed by his son Venca-tarauz and other shareholders and one of the sharers having died in 1849 his share Amounting to Rupees 240 was discontinued and the remaining Viz. 720 was Continued to the other incumbents till the demise of Ven Katarauz in 1851 since when his share amounting to 480 Rupees lapsed but a moiety of the allowance Viz. 240 was continued to his son Bommatharauz and Chenna Bommatharauz and Ramapah the other sharers held a share 240 Rupees. This Pension is to be enjoyed by the present incumbents for their life time. -

Chinna Bommatharauz Ramapah for life		240	"	"	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	30th May 1838

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2263	Soobramanya Purlay for Do.	63	38	11	"	By Sandulla Authma Sheamboho Coorgoo Hazee Roorya ree 1165 A.D. 1750	Grand Son	On Sow Summud	For Subsistence	Do.	9th March 1852
2364	Syed Ahamud alias Oomarady raz for life	40	190	9	"	The Rulers name is un- known in Ally the 2d Jooloos or year of reign but a Jareeb is issued by Hedayet Moodeen Khan in Hizeree 1158 A.D. 1743.	Hajee Great Shaw Great Grandson	Do.	In lieu of the privilege of collecting Motursha Revenue of Syed Pett in Adoni that Pettah having been founded by the Original Grantee.	Do	13th July 1852
2465	Patcha Moodeen for life	17	197	9	"	Vide preceding name	Vide preceding name	Vide preceding name	Vide preceding name	Vide preceding name	Vide preceding name	Vide preceding named.
2568	Shawlhouse valee = woollah for Do.	30	234	"	"	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	Do	18th of February 1853.
2673	Ameenbeebee Do.	30	45	3	"	By Basalat Shaik jungin Hizree 1170 A.D. 1725	Grand Son Abdool Cauder	Son Summud Wife	For prayers to be offered for the prospe- rity of State	By descent	9th April 1853
2760	Bada Beebee Do.	68	270	"	"	By Valayah in Hizree 1208 A.D. 1793	Syed Moottayah Mottamuck	Daughter	Do	For Subsistence	Do	3d January 1823
2874	Fathamabeebee Do.	57	38	12	"	By Mohomed Ameen Khan Arub in Chittaree	Syed Inayel Son's wife	Grand	Do	For prayers to be offered for the prospe: rity of State.	Do	9th April 1853

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						Hizree 1211 A.D. 1796.					
29	76	Nursummah	Do.	57	68	"	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	No Sunnud but enjoyed according to Custom since the Kurnool Nabobship	Do.	Do.	28th March 1843	This Yeomiah was transferred from Kurnool District to this Zillah under Government order dated 12th October 1853 No. 1141.
30	79	Chunda Peer	Do.	9	18	"	By Tahaver Mahomed Great Grandson of Abdool Mudeen Sunnud jungum Abdool Mudeen Sahib			On	Do	Do.	23d January 1855.	
						Bahadoor in Hizree 1167 A.D. 1752.								
31	78	Hunchenaiddapah and Ravuppah for their life	41 16	36	"	By Dhanda Hunchu Great grandson of Hurpoonhully Swamy in the year of Salevahana 1507 A.D. 1587	Great Grandson			For Do. in lieu of payment usually made from the Kist: of Bariz instead of resumed land and privileges	Do.	23d June 1854		
				2001	7	"								

No. 6 Subsistence Yeomiahs

Still open to decision.

32	3	Voomapaty Voorcoonda Bhuttoo	24	38	11	"	By Basabut Voomapa Grand jungum Hiz by Bhuttoo Son Sunnud	On	For Subsistence	By descent	17th August 1827.

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A.D. 1780

33	4	Ragavandrachaly wife of Bharatheemma	41	7	7	"	By Sadoollah Venkata Ishamba Krishna Grand son door Mooz Charloo wife jurjungin Hizree 1165 A.D. 1750	Great Grand	Do	Do	Do	30th May
34	5	Pendacul Goordoo: Roya charloo	28	38	11	"	By Basalut Streene vasa. jungin Hiz Charry Grand son. rec 1180 Fd. 1751	Great	Do	Do	Do	4th March 1831
35	6	Moody Bhutta Kur Semsoonabhutta	237	25	13	"	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	No summd	Unknown	Do	18th July

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36	7	Neyamathoollah	35	19	5	"	By Hiddayot Faith Moodeen Khan Mohomed in Hizree 1158 A.D. 1743	Great Grand Summud son	On For Subsistence	Do	18th July 1820.
37	9	Shaw Jamaloollah	70	77	7	"	By Basalat Shaw Himself jungin Hizree Jamaloo 1195 A.D. 1780 llah	Do	Do	Do	The original recipient 27th August 1813
38	11	Syad Ruffyadeen	41	58	1	"	By Mohabutt Pand jungin Hiz Shaw rec 1199. heree	Great Grand son	Do	Do	By descent 17th August 1827

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39	16	Vidiapaty Hunma varaha Charry	374	9	10	"	By Talaib Mohadeen Khan in vasa Hizree 1140 A.D. 1731	Vidiapaty Streene Son Charloo	Grand Son Mennud	On account of Subsistence	By descent	18th July 1820
40	17	Syed Abdool Rahaman Kaderee	40	15	14	"	By Mohabutt jung in Hizree 1202 A.D. 1787	Syed Abdool Rahaman	Grand Son Mennud	For Subsist=ence	By descent	28th March 1843
41	18	Panchabeebee	7	7	7	"	By Himmutt Khan Baha dour in Hizree 1153 A.D. 1738.	Syed Khoodah Bux Mennud	Grand Son's wife	For Subsist=ence	By descent	9th March 1844
42	21	Sahib Modeem Naidoo	32	26	28	"	By Sadoolla Khan in Hizree 1162 A.D. 1742	Hafiz Godam Modeem	Grand Son	Do	Do and for offering prayers for the prosperity of Government.	Do	20th March 1849
43	22	Saite Hussain	50	24	2	"	By Himmutt gaikwar in Hizree 1153 A.D. 1738	Saite	Grand Son or daughter's man Son.	Do	For Subsist=enced.	Do	Government order 20th March 1849
44	24	Cannul Pand pappa Naidoo	42	33	6	"	Unknown	Unknown	No Sund mud	Do	Do	Do	23d June 1815

This is a Pension Conferred on the family of Gooruppah Naidoo Poligar of Cannil poor at the Commencement of Company's Government.

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4544	Mulle Earjoona Sastry	31	18 0	Do.	Do.	Do.	No Sum. mud but continued according to Mamool	Do.	Do.	28th March 1843
4545	Bootchamnah	36	30 12	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	No Sum: mud but continued accordin to Mamool	For Subsistence	By descent	9th March 1844
4746	Soobiah	29	18 0	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	9th March 1844
4867	Senalingapah	26	38 5	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	This is paid instead of deductions allow'd hitherto before from the Cessumay Beriz in lieu of two resumed Villages.	Do.	15th October 1852
4972	Naranapah	47	25	Do.	Do.	Do.	No Sum: mud but continued according to Mamool	This is paid instead of deductions hitherto allowed from Kisthundy Beriz in consideration of his ancestors having constructed a Village called Moothavacountla	By descent	Board's Order 17 November 1853 Govern.t Order 3 Oct.r 1854 No. 1283.

	135	13
Total Subsistence	34	35
Grand Total of Service and Subsistence	393	5

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No. 45.

To

G. S. Forbes Esqr.

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 21st January 1856 forwarding Copy of Extract of Minutes Consultation dated 8th Idem and requesting to be furnished with the information called for by Government relative to the three Bhutwartee Enams comprising part of No. 2 of my Tabular Report dated 30th July 1855, I have the honor to state that although the 3 Enams in Coondurpu and Mulleganoor belonging to Malummah were entered in the Survey accounts as Bhutwartee Enams, yet in reality they are service Enams as appear from two of the original documents / those of the years 1747 and 1757 / mentioned in Column 3 of No. 2 of the Tabular Report in which the Enams are mentioned as being granted for service performed in the Narasumma Swamy Pagoda

It appears also that the Enams have been in the enjoyment of the last incumbents family for

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B. No. 1614
From the Collector of Bellary
Furnishes the information called for by Government relative to the three Bhutwartee Enams and Dasaga Enams mentioned in the B. Ltr of the 21st Jany. /56

1st Jan. Ofc. extent. 6-21-15 a/c W. 72-12-4

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Tabular Statement.

Hereditary or Service	Life and Hereditary Extension	Total	Hereditary	Life and Hereditary Extension	Total	Hereditary	Life and Hereditary Extension	Total
No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount
1/2			1	177	1	4	1051	4	32 1243	1	42 934 8	5	32 2353 8

Remarks

Yemmah payable at Christian Festivals of the Virgin Mary & A. D. 1860

Conlay Village Tank Repairs

Additions

Nos. 1 to 177 from other Districts

Nos. 178 to 189 from Bellary

Nos. 190 to 199 from Colgur Talook

Nos. 200 to 202 from the Ceded Districts

Deductions

Nos. 1 to 177 transferred to Bellary

Nos. 178 to 189 to Cuddapah Collectorate

Nos. 190 to 199 to Cuddapah Nokkum Village

Nos. 200 to 202 part of the Inam to the Cuddapah Collectorate

Total

Amount

2	389 9	-	-	-	-	-	-	10 1834	-	3	10 1834	-	3
3	467	-	-	-	-	4	1051	42 3358 4	-	40	3465	-	

Total Payable 1st July 1855 as Inam Allowance

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Signed C. Kelly.

Ordered to lie over.

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for a considerable time, and that they have regularly performed Priest service in the Pagoda, and that Somacharlos in whose favour the recommendation was made is now performing the said service.—

2 My attention is also called to the last para of the Extract Minutes Consultation under reference with a view to the Board being supplied with a Statement of the total number of Dasayee Enams in my District. I am also required to state whether such Enams or any of them have been hitherto considered hereditary in the District and whether any and what difference there may be between the Enams comprising No. 3 of my report under reference and those numbered 7—10 and 29 in the Report dated 20th December 1852, as the Board observe that those last mentioned were recommended by the Board and Sanctioned by the Government for continuance for life only whereas no such limitation is recommended by

Remarks 30 May/53.

dated 29 July/53.

"apparently Similar Enams alluded "to above as comprising No. 3 of the later Report"

3 Under the denominations — Nadgowd Dasayee and the other Enams enumerated in the Margin, there are lands bearing an assessment of Contary Pagodas 32767— 7— 5 equevalent to Rupees 95572—9— The Offices designated by these grants were abolished and the service performed dispensed with and Lands held by the Officers were resumed, after the Assumption of the Country by the British Government. But still portions of the Enams under the denominations of the Offices they held were continued to their families for subsistence. Colonel Munro in the 3d para of a report addressed by him to the Board of Revenue on the 25th August 1805, writing of the Dasayees &c stated that "they differed in no respect from the "Common Potails and Curnums of the Villages

	Rupees A P
Nadagowdoo	22037 4 0
Dasayee	28759 5 0
Sur Dasayee	18,807 14 0
Dasapandee & Palkey	7690 6 0
Dasamookey	303 14 0
Cango	29 8 0
Sur Nagowdoo	3394 8 0
Summathygowdoo	2556 10 0
Nada Curnum	1936 9 0
Moosumdar	63 11 0
Sur Dasapandee	45 2 0
Summuth Curnum	1523 1 0
Total	95572 9 0

"Villages, but in holding a more extensive
"jurisdiction which was however in one respect
"inferior to theirs by being held only during
"pleasure while theirs was hereditary."

4 These Enams have therefore not been regarded as hereditary in Bellary though no interference has been made with them when there have been lineal heirs to the holders of them and I am of opinion that hereditary right beyond what long profession gives cannot be maintained.

5 I beg to state that there is no difference between the Enams comprising № 3 of my report under reference, and those numbered 7. 10 and 29 in the Report dated 20th December 1852 and that all the Enams under the different denominations mentioned above are of the same descriptions as those attended to in the 28 para of the despatch of the Honorable Court of Directors dated 12th February 1851. The present case was reported for orders of the Board in conformity with the instructions contained in the Extract Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

otherwise the Enams would have descended to the present claimant by the authority of the Collector as in the case of other Enams not specially reserved for reference to higher authority.

Bellary Collectors Office
Ramandroog
2d May 1856.

/Signed/ C. Pelly
Collector

Order thereon
(564-565)

Ordered to lie over
№ 90

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

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Br. №. 1619
From the Jr. Collector
of Ganjam
№ 2325

Sir, With reference to the 2d para of your circular letter dated the 7th September last I have the honor to state that the salt Manufacturers have no objection to give their salt by weight instead of measurement as at present but I beg also to observe that the introduction of the system of weighing in receiving salt into the store, will I fear operate most injuriously to the interests of Government the amount of wastage will be very great, and the difficulty of checking it will be doubled when it is remembered

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remembered that a single damp day will add a large amount of weight to salt going into store, and that as a rule salt is stored wet and sold dry.

Ganjam District
Collectors Cutcherry
Chutterpore 3d May 1856

/Signed/ William Knox
Acting Collector

(566-567)
Order thereon

Ordered to lie over
No 41

(568)

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

Dr No 1622
From the Ag Coll
of Masulipatam
Subg information on several points regarding the present mode of preparing the monthly Demand Collection Balance sheet with reference to the letter of 18th ultimo.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th ultimo and in reply to submit the following information on the several points therein discussed regarding the present mode of preparing the Monthly Demand. Collection Balance sheet.

2 Upto the commencement of the present Fusly it was the practice in this District to despatch the Talook remittances on or shortly after the 25th of each Month. They reached the Hoozoor treasury, some, that is those of the nearer Talooks within the Month and others that is those of the distant Talooks after the end of the Month [illegible]

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not brought to credit till after its close owing to want of time for shroffing under this system the gross remittances of one Month were credited partly within the Month of despatch partly in the next and the Demand Collection Balance sheet being entirely framed on money actually brought to credit at the Hoozoor did not contain the sum total of the Talook remittances of the Month to which it relates. Owing to the unpunctual transmission of the Talook Wasul Bakis accounts which seldom all arrived before the Hoozoor Demand Collection Balance sheet was prepared, it was not possible to see whether the latter agreed in every particular with the Talook Statements.—

3 To admit of all the Talook remittances arriving and being credited within the Month in which they are made and to allow time for the due preparation of the Talook wasul Bakis accounts and arrival within the Month, the date of remittances was from the beginning of the current Fusly altered to the 15th of every Month. The Talook remittance is therefore composed of the collections of half of one Month and half of the previous one. In future if required the amount collected

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collected in each month will be shewn separately.—

4 The Demand Collection Balance State-
ments as at present framed does therefore ex-
hibit the revenue collections credited within
the month according to the treasury Chittahs. The
collections so credited are not entirely of the
month for which the said account purports to be
but embrace also money credited in the Talook
treasury in the latter half of the previous month.

5 I do not quite understand the meaning
of the Board in para 3. It is their meaning
that the collection exhibited in the Demand
Collection Balance sheet should be that
according to the Talook accounts or that
according to the Hoozoor treasury Chittahs.
If the former is their object and it is ne-
cessary that the collections of the entire month
should be shewn the Talook remittances must not
be made before till the last day of the month.
They will then all arrive by the 10th of the next
month and thus the Demand Collection Balance
of one month might be despatched on the 15th of
the succeeding. There will then no longer exist
any correspondence between the Demand Collec-
tion Balance and the Hoozoor treasury account
unless in the first place the Collector and the
Board enter into the

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collections entered in the Demand Collection Balance of
any month represent the collections made in the Talook
during the preceding one only. This however I
presume cannot be the wish of the Board. The Board
observe that "the delay would not be great as
"the Talook officers could be instructed to
"send their accounts in the first instance upto
"a certain date say 25th leaving them to make
"up and forward at the close of the month
"the remaining 5 or 6 days accounts." I cannot
see the advantage of sending their accounts
only up to a certain date if the remittance
is not made good by that date and if the
remittances is so made good there will still
be left some days in the month, whose
Collections cannot be included in the Talook
wasul Baki which ought invariably to be
prepared so as to agree with the remittances
I need hardly say that there is no possibility of such
remittances all arriving within the month.

6 With regard to the salt accounts the
the collection shown in the Demand Collection
Balance for any month is the money
actually received and credited in the
Hoozoor within the month. The salt remittances
are made as often as the amount of money
on

on hand requires it. But the final remittance is made on the 25th of each month up to which date the Cutcherry monthly accounts are closed — Under this System the collection of 5 days of one month falls within the following.—

Masulipatam Collectors Circuit Cutcherry at Nkeed 3d May 1856.

/Signed/ J. Fraser
Acting Collector

Order thereon

(568-569)

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To

R. No. 1623

From the Collector of Bellary

Ordered to lie over —
No. 26
G. S. Forbes Esq.
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

I have the honor to submit the information called for in your Circular Letter No. 1165 of 18th Ultimo respecting the transactions that are actually represented in the Demand Collection and Balance Statements submitted monthly — The Board wish to know whether this Statement contains the Demand and Collection from the 1st to the 31st of the month or whether it includes any portion of the preceding month and in the latter case to explain how the demand is framed and up to what date the Collections at the Hoozoor and at each Talook Treasury are entered in the Statement of any given month —

2 The Statement in question does not contain the actual transactions of the

Furnishes the information called for in the Bd's circular of the 18th April respecting the monthly Demand Collection & Balance Statements —

month but includes a portion of the transactions varying from two to eleven days of the preceding month. The Demand is framed generally by the actual Collections at the Talook Treasury up to the date of the transmission of the remittance. This date for each Talook is shown in the margin These dates are fixed to allow of the Remittances reaching the Hoozoor Treasury in time to be shroffed within the month — So that the Demand & Statement really exhibits the actual transaction of the month at the Hoozoor Treasury —

Bellary — Dated 28th	
Cumpily	" 20th
Kurpunhully	" 21st
Kondleghee	" "
Kowrinkoudgally	" "
Adonie	" "
Gooltemi	" 20th
Punchapollem	" 21st
Goolty	" 22d
Yadakee	" 22d
Raidroog	" 20th
Taudputry	" 21st
Anantapoor	" 20th
Penogondah	" 21st
Codecondah	" 20th
Madugsurah	" 21st
Dhurmavarum	" 21st

3 Such being the case I am directed to inform the Board (Para 3) when my Demand Collection and Balance Statement could generally be despatched from my Office if it be determined that that Statement shall hence forth show those items for the entire month for which it purports to be rendered — I presume the Board here refer exclusively to the actual transactions at the Talook Cutcherries and do not refer to the sums actually

actually collected from the Ryots but still in the Custody of the Village Officers or on their way to the Talook Treasury For if a true account was required of the latter sums I fear I could not safely reckon on the Statement being prepared until a much later period than it is now despatched - as it would not be practicable to get in a second set of accounts from the Village Officers with any regularity - But if it is determined that the Statement shew only the sums actually received at the Talook Treasuries before and after the despatch of the Talook remittances I think in this District the account might be despatched to the Board about 20 days after the close of the month to which it refers which would allow time sufficient for making up the accounts

4 I should observe that the Demand in this District is not definitely settled until the close of the annual settlement of the District which is generally about the end of May and the correct Demand is determined in June and therefore the actual Collections of the greater part of items of Revenue are entered as the Demand in the monthly Statement until June when the correct Demand is shewn and distinguished from the Collections

Bellary Collector's Office
Circuit at Ramandroog
8th May 1856

Signed J C Pelly
Collector

570-571 Ordered thereon

No. 18.

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

Sir

3d Sn 1613
From the Collector of Bellary. Submits his Report on the Subject of Commuting Tusdeek allowances to Mosques and Pagodas into equivalent Grants of land on Service Enam Tenure.

Ent. Fiscal Proceedings 15th May 1856 No 572

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Boards Circular Order in which I am directed to forward a Report on the Tusdeek disbursements shewing to what Extent the Ancient landed endowment in lieu of which these allowances are paid can be traced whether they can be restored or new assignments of land be made in place of them and the ready money allowances be discontinued and what would be the feeling of the people upon the Change

In reply I have the honor

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to forward a Statement which shows in detail the Tusdeek allowances now paid to every Pagoda or Mosque and also the Amount of Land held on Enam tenure by those institutions in the Bellary District - To this is added an account shewing the payments whether in Cash - Land assignments of certain revenues or otherwise

otherwise granted under former Governments

3 It will be seen from this statement that there are 757 Institutions of the kind in Bellary and that the Tusdeek annual allowance paid to them amounts to 18418 Rupees. The value of other Enam Emoluments enjoyed by them and the amount assigned for their support by former Governments is shown in the following Abstract of the Statements

	Present Government			Former Government		
	Pagodas	Mosque	Total	Pagodas	Mosque	Total
Tusdeek Allowance	11,189	1,229	18418	8653	3610	12263
Villages	2,298	670	2968	2711	670	3381
Enam Lands	10,280	2,511	13791	8753	1580	10323
Marah Fees	357	"	357	9187	174	9661
Pilgrim Taxes	"	"	"	324	"	324
Polligars Present	"	"	"	1526	12	1538
Sayer Customs	"	"	"	1931	119	2050
	27,124	7410	34534	33381	6165	39546

4 It cannot be ascertained now what lands were actually resumed and Compensation in the shape of a Tusdeek allowance granted. and the statement purporting to be an Account of the Emoluments enjoyed under former Government which was prepared some years back by the late Principal Collector Mr. Robertson from information Collected in Fusly 1218 (1808) shows that much of the Land held by the Pagodas and Mosques is still retained by those institutions. The whole Emoluments of every description under former Governments it would however appear, amounted to 39546 Rupees. The present amount is only 34534 Rupees.

× Tusdeek 18418
other Emoluments 16116
34534

5 With regard however to the main subject Viz. whether the present Tusdeeks can be discontinued in favor of Assignments of Land, I have the honor to report that I have made enquiries from all the parties interested in the present allowances and find that they are universally averse to receive Land in lieu of their present allowances. They say they have not the means or inclination to undertake the cultivation of land and that in the event of an unfavorable Season the servants of the Institutions would be left without their Customary means of support. It will be observed that for the most part the annual Tusdeek Allowance for each Institution is very small. There are not more than 48 of them which enjoy one hundred Rupees, and the average for the remaining 209 Institutions is not more than 34 Rs. per year.

Bellary Collectors Office,
On Circuit at Ramandroog
6th May 1856.

(Signed) C. Pelly
Collector

Statement

	330	"	"	"	330	920	371	146	"	"	111	1417
1	Heallaglan Glanaeanann —	42	"	"	"	42	169	"	-	"	97	"	"	196
2	Heallmann Glanaeanann Heann	42	"	"	"	42	47	"	66	"	70	"	"	177
3	Glannaeann Glannaeann Glannaeann	333	"	335	"	668	699	"	256	"	"	"	"	925
4	Gaadaeallla Glannaeann Glannaeann	7	"	21	"	28	15	"	11	"	"	"	"	99
5	Glannaeann Glannaeann Glannaeann	7	"	25	"	32	16	"	"	"	"	"	"	16
6	Glannaeann Glannaeann Glannaeann —	85	"	1200	"	1285	339	"	614	"	"	"	"	853
7	Glannaeann Glannaeann Glannaeann -	65	"	48	"	103	91	"	9	"	"	"	"	100
8	Glannaeann Glannaeann Glannaeann	7	"	10	"	17	18	"	7	"	"	"	"	45
9	Glannaeann Glannaeann Glannaeann	7	"	"	6	"	13	19	"	4	"	"	"	23
10	Glannaeann Glannaeann Glannaeann	163	"	47	"	"	210	466	"	33	"	"	"	499
11	Glannaeann Glannaeann Glannaeann	17	"	"	33	135	245	173	"	37	"	"	"	911
		825	"	1945	135	2905	9044	"	936	"	97	"	"	3027

Brought forward

1	Glannaeann —	42	"	"	"	42	169	"	-	"	97	"	"	196
2	Glannaeann Glannaeann	42	"	"	"	42	47	"	66	"	70	"	"	177
3	Glannaeann Glannaeann	333	"	335	"	668	699	"	256	"	"	"	"	925
4	Glannaeann Glannaeann	7	"	21	"	28	15	"	11	"	"	"	"	99
5	Glannaeann Glannaeann	7	"	25	"	32	16	"	"	"	"	"	"	16
6	Glannaeann —	85	"	1200	"	1285	339	"	614	"	"	"	"	853
7	Glannaeann -	65	"	48	"	103	91	"	9	"	"	"	"	100
8	Glannaeann	7	"	10	"	17	18	"	7	"	"	"	"	45
9	Glannaeann	7	"	"	6	"	13	19	"	4	"	"	"	23
10	Glannaeann	163	"	47	"	"	210	466	"	33	"	"	"	499
11	Glannaeann	17	"	"	33	135	245	173	"	37	"	"	"	911
		825	"	1945	135	2905	9044	"	936	"	97	"	"	3027

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1	Hoonuhudu Anjanayaswamy	42	3	45			5		70			73	
2	Mullaswaraswamy	42	"	42			"		58			58	
		84	3	87			3		128			131	
1	Vengalapoor Anjanayaswamy	26	"	26			9		26	38	61	134	
2	Bagumpoor Hanoomuntaswamy	26	"	26			"		"	20		20	
3	Munga Hanoomuntaswamy	79	3	32			3		82	42	64	191	
4	Mullekarjoona Veerabhadraswamy	26	"	26			"		"	20	32	32	
5	Ajamullulla Hanoomuntaswamy	26	"	26			"		"	44	"	44	
6	Mullekarjoona Veerabhadraswamy	53	8	61			"		"	130		130	
7	Kutar Ramalinga Swamy	17	"	17			"		"	38	"	38	
8	Havanapett Hanoomuntayaswamy	18	"	18			"		20	12	12	44	
9	Koseglieu Hanoomuntaroya Swamy	184	15	199			15		408	"	"	423	
10	Kundakoor Ramalingaswamy	35	49	84			55		52	"	"	107	
11	Keeratoor Ramaswamy Balum	64	18	82			32		111	"	"	143	
12	Kowtalum Kasavaswamy	90	148	238			52		134	"	"	186	
13	Nagamathi nakully Venkataramana Swamy	56	32	88			87		93	"	"	180	
14	Hutcholee Kasavaswamy	21	44	65			88		"	"	"	88	
15	Kapatee Narasimmaswamy	26	"	26			"		"	"	"	"	
16	Chicktoor Balum Narrasimmaswamy	53	219	274			114		187	"	"	301	
17	Moosana Kully Somaswaraswamy	15	57	72			"		26	"	"	26	
18	Vundagull Hanoomuntaswamy	17	43	60			32		56	"	"	88	
19	Hanlurroo Siddaswaraswamy	143	346	489			47		288	6	3	344	
20	Kotakeull Kasavaswamy	64	157	221			158		172	"	"	330	
21	Mumcha Lakh Raghavendraswamy	196	1671	489		2,356	204	1671	595	"	15	"	44	2529
		1187	1671	1628		4486	204	1671	1287		1670	200	366	5398

Calcium

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22	Adainee Joomah Mahozeed in the Fort	127	"	53	"	180	128	"	"	"	"	"	"	128	
23	Mahozeed in the Fort	97	"	"	"	97	99	"	"	"	"	"	"	99	
24	Dhurgah Moorthazakary	142	"	"	"	142	93	"	"	"	"	"	"	93	
25	Mahozeed near the Tank bank	22	"	"	"	22	23	"	"	"	"	"	"	23	
26	Talla Mahozeed on the Hill	31	"	12	"	43	23	"	12	"	"	"	"	35	
27	Joomah Mahozeed pett baubah Nugger	770	"	1046	"	1816	770	"	58	"	"	"	"	828	
28	Dhurgah near the Gate of Kullbhasa	32	"	"	"	32	33	"	61	"	"	"	"	94	
29	Mullick reyen Dhur-gah	93	"	877	"	970	58	"	948	"	"	"	"	1006	
30	Dhurgah Peer baba-vahe	21	"	80	"	140	24	"	47	"	"	"	"	71	
31	Chendasahe Dhurgah	82	"	"	"	82	"	"	20	"	"	"	79	99	
32	Nabob Soojaumoolk Mukburrah	1032	"	"	"	1032	709	"	"	"	"	"	"	709	
33	Aushar Shariff anchor Kunah near the Cutcherry	39	"	"	"	39	39	"	"	"	"	"	"	39	
34	Aushar Shariff near the Fort Gate	39	"	"	"	39	39	"	"	"	"	"	"	39	
35	Aushar Shariff Moyamoobaruk	105	"	"	"	105	105	"	"	"	"	"	"	105	
36	Fathimasha Hooroos	1	"	"	"	1	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	
37	Syed Hoonmer Dhurgah in the Pettah	9	"	"	"	9	9	"	"	"	"	"	"	9	
38	Syed Audumsha Dhoo-daree	3	"	"	"	3	"	"	"	"	"	"	9	9	
39	Shah ally Mustan during the Mohorum	4	"	"	"	4	4	"	"	"	"	"	5	5	
40	Furreed Saib Oorus	11	"	"	"	11	9				3	12	4	24	
41	Dhoolshah Oorus	4	"	"	"	4	6	"	3	"	"	"	"	9	
42	Hoosain Aulum in the Mohorum	35	670	3	"	708	32	670	3	"	3	"	23	731	
43	Rajah ally Saib in the Pe	175	"	"	"	175	175	"	"	"	"	"	"	175	
44	Huzaruth Saib Oorus in the Syed pettah	5	"	"	"	5	5	"	"	"	"	"	"	5	
45	Aushar Shriff Moyamoobaruck	77	"	"	"	77	78	"	"	"	"	"	"	78	
		2959	670	2071	"	5700	2458	670	1152	"	6	12	116	[illegible]	
		4146	2341	3699	"	10186	2662	2341	2139	"	1676	212	482	[illegible]	

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Goollum

1	Holalagoor Siddaswaraswamy	35	"	"	"	35	87	"	"	"	233	"	105	425
2	Chittagerry Bogaswaraswamy	35	"	125	"	166	50	"	309	"	253	"	20	632
3	Hanthursa Anjanayaswamy	35	"	53	"	88	50	"	53	"	93	"	"	196
4	Huttiballi=gull Ramaswaraswa=my	35	"	187	"	222	"	"	"	"	163	"	9	172
5	Joraupoor Hanoomuntaroya=swamy	35	"	208	"	243	"	"	210	"	210	"	"	420
		175	"	573	"	718	187	"	572	"	952	"	134	1845
1	Ruptrool Rowloollaswamy	80	"	84	"	164	"	"	197	"	52	499	"	748
2	Putteecondah Kasawaswamy	35	"	94	"	129	"	"	93	"	382	"	6	481
3	Ruptroll Ramanavamee=Oochava	61	"	"	"	61	"	"	"	"	210	58	"	268
4	Caravaly Rungaswamy	123	"	1201	"	1324	"	"	620	"	324	"	"	944
5	Coopully Kasavaswamy	53	"	113	"	166	"	"	113	"	166	"	6	285
6	Moome=madorgoo Gopaulaswamy	35	"	117	"	152	"	"	47	"	91	"	"	138
7	Muddi=karah Kasavaswamy	17	"	164	"	181	"	"	76	"	17	131	6	230
		404	"	1773	"	2177	"	"	1146	"	1242	688	18	3094
8	Ruptroll Mahazeed	35	"	"	"	35	"	"	"	"	41	"	"	41
		439	"	1943	"	2212	"	"	1146	"	1283	688	18	3135
1	Gooty Ramaswamy	105	"	128	"	233	"	"	128	"	26	"	32	186
2	Nursimmaswamy	105	"	6	"	111	"	"	6	"	15	"	"	21
3	Marogooty Anjanaya=swamy	11	"	64	"	75	"	"	64	"	6	"	"	70
4	Sadamacherla Anja=naiyaswamy	10	"	29	"	39	"	"	29	"	38	"	"	67
5	Gowthamaswara	21	"	"	"	21	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
6	Grama Davata Yellummah	11	"	88	"	99	"	"	88	"	15	"	"	103
7	Boogoo Sungama=swara	42	"	"	"	42	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
8	Neelocuntaswara	21	"	9	"	30	"	"	9	"	"	"	"	9
9	Gooty Ramaswara	21	"	3	"	24	"	20	3	"	"	"	"	23
10	Ramaswamy Veerabhadraswamy	58	"	12	"	70	"	"	12	"	"	"	"	12
11	Nettakullo Anjanaya=swamy	207	"	250	"	457	"	197	254	"	"	"	23	474
12	Aumdiall Penna Vobalaswamy	350	251	9	"	613	"	175	42	291	146	"	105	759

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13	Penna Rungaswamy	35	"	"	"	35	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
14	Jurrottah hamlet of Kampoor — Ramalingaswamy	35	"	70	"	105	"	"	70	"	30	"	17	17
15	Havalaghu Anjanayaswamy	21	"	140	"	161	73	"	14	"	"	"	"	87
		1053	254	808	"	2115	73	392	719	291	276	"	177	1925
	Mosques.													
16	Gooty Joomah Mohomedin	158	"	"	"	158	127	"	"	"	"	"	"	127
17	Moollah Hoosanee, the Fort Moolumahazeed in the Bazar	59	"	"	"	59	60	"	"	"	"	"	"	60
18	Syed Ebraim Kathib	44	"	9	"	53	40	"	9	"	15	"	"	164
19	Dhurgah in the Fort	44	"	"	"	44	58	"	"	"	6	"	"	64
20	Gooty Cazee Abdool Basid Abdool Rahib	88	"	"	"	88	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
		393	"	9	"	403	385	"	9	"	21	"	"	415
		1446	254	817	"	2517	458	392	728	291	297	"	177	2343

Yadakee

1	Yadakee Kasawaswamy	88	"	65	150	303	105	"	64	"	166	"	123	458
2	Polamadah Kasawaswamy	35	"	23	"	58	"	"	23	"	35	"	"	58
3	Molakalmoottah Anumthagereswamy	35	"	26	"	61	"	"	26	"	163	"	3	192
		158	"	114	150	422	105	"	113	"	364	"	126	708

Raidroog

1	Raidroog Veneatramaswamy	1288	"	12	"	1300	345	"	12	"	"	"	61	418
2	Madavaroyaswamy	218	"	7	"	225	111	"	6	"	"	"	6	123
3	Vadbantha Dharaka	23	"	"	"	23	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
4	Ramaswamy	109	"	"	"	109	109	"	"	"	"	"	"	109
5	Gopalkistnaswamy	96	"	"	"	96	35	"	"	"	"	"	"	35
6	Annabhavee Nair = Sivumaswamy	44	"	"	"	44	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
7	Kundachar Nursimaswamy	44	"	3	"	47	35	"	3	"	"	"	"	38
8	Jumbookaswara Swamy	166	"	38	"	204	"	"	38	"	"	"	58	96
9	Yellummah	39	"	"	"	39	"	"	"	"	29	"	"	29
10	Suttabodah Mutt Anjanayaswamy	18	"	"	"	18	"	"	"	"	"	"	32	32
11	Vasaroya Mutt Anjanayaswamy	18	"	"	"	18	"	"	"	"	"	"	33	33

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12	Somarpett	Anjanayaswamy	9	"	"	"	9	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
13		Siddaswaraswamy	18	"	"	"	18	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
14		Chowdaswaraswamy	9	"	"	"	9	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
15		Viddeasenkur	9	"	"	"	9	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
16		Dhunsaboja Ganapatei	44	"	"	"	44	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
17		Vapparakull Nursimmaswamy	52	"	1	"	55	55	"	"	"	"	"	6	41
18		Chetumbaraswamy	35	"	"	"	35	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
19		Raghavendraswamy Mutt Mookerja pranaswamy	9	"	"	"	9	"	"	"	"	"	"	41	45
20	Kanakal	Somaswaraswamy	207	"	109	"	316	"	"	105	"	44	"	15	167
21	Naganahully	Anjanayaswamy	111	"	56	"	167	99	"	26	"	55	"	113	293
22	Rutcha murry	Anjanay-swamy	57	"	4	8	79	"	"	6	"	29	"	9	44
23	Namkull	Anjanayaswamy	67	"	7	"	74	"	"	6	"	85	"	"	91

Raidroog

24	Moorodee	Anjanayaswamy	70	"	47	4	121	44	"	42	"	42	"	12	140
25	Sirigana hully	Sungamaswaraswa my	83	"	30	2	85	82	"	9		47	"	"	138
26	Boothegoom mah	Anjanayaswamy	53	"	10	"	63	"	"	6	"	67	"	3	76
27	Streerum gapoor	Rungaswamy	51	"	55	"	106	"	"	53	"	"	"	"	53
28	Vaipala pustee	Rungaswamy	52	"	53	"	105	"	"	47	"	"	"		47
29	Roopana goody	Venkatramanaswa my	295	"	234	15	544	"	"	239	"	12	12	9	272
30	Brumma namoodrum	Joteemahaindra swamy	17	"	15	"	32	"	"	"	"	18	"	"	18
31	Yaradeka rah	Anjanayaswamy	35	"	19	"	54	64	"	12	"	"	"	"	76
32	Nagalapoor	Venkataramanaswa my	35	"	28	"	63	"	"	29	"	70	"	"	99
33	Balagopah	Ramaswaraswamy	26	"	49	"	75	"	"	50	"	"	"	"	50
34	Gunga iverum	Anjanayaswamy	35	"	13	2	50	"	"	12	"	26	"	"	38
35	Raukuttah	Ramaswaraswamy	17	"	54	"	71	"	"	48	"	18	"	3	69
36	Honnoor	Anjanayaswamy	17	"	7	"	24	"	"	"	"	18	"	"	18
37	Koodloor	D°	26	"	31	4	58	"	"	29	"	12	3	"	70
38	Dhumma spoory	D°	11	"	39	"	50	"	"	3	"	"	"	"	3
39	Gopaul spoorum	D°	9	"	25	"	34	"	"	"	"	9	"	"	9

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40 Boudana =Scull	Anjanayanswamy	11	"	7	"	18	"	"	"	"	12	"	"	13
41 Cubbala =Sully	Eswaraswamy	18	"	"	"	18	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
		3583	"	953	32	4568	985	"	784	"	593	15	441	2818
	Mosque													
Pondicherry 42 Raidroog	Mahazeed	73	"	171	"	244	"	"	"	"	74	"	"	74
43 Ranakull	Di	15	"	79	"	94	"	"	79	"	"	"	"	79
		88	"	250	"	338	"		79	"	74	"	"	153
		3671	"	1703	32	4906	985		863	"	667	15	441	2971
1 Tondpetty	Chintabrayaswamy	280	"	39	"	319	350		79	"	175	"	9	613
2	Ramaswaraswamy	280	"	154	"	434	347		175	29	183	"	38	752
3	Anjanayaswamy on the rivers banks	49	"	"	"	49	67	"	"	"	"	"	"	67
Tondpetty 4	Pett Anjanayaswamy	29	"	"	"	29	45	"	"	"	"	"	"	45
5	Mudvasarovara Anjanayaswamy	22	"	"	"	22	47	"	"	"	"	"	"	47
6 Aulur	Kona Rungaswamy	105	"	40	"	145	175	"	73	"	111	"	23	382
7 Yellavoor	Venkataramanaswamy	178	"	213	"	391	29	"	100	"	123	"	41	293
8 Jagun=nathapoor	Gopaulswamy	22	"	11	"	33	44	"	12	"	"	"	"	56
9 Dhande=potah	Eswaraswamy	18	"	19	"	37	"	"	20	"	42	"	"	62
		983	"	476	"	1459	1104	"	459	29	814	"	111	2317
	Mosques.													
10 Tondpetty	Jounmah Mahazeed	310	"	72	"	382	316	"	175	"	"	"	"	491
11	Mahazeed in the Fort	155	"	19	"	174	161	"	26	"	"	"	"	187
12	Shumshadheen Duryah on the left bank of the river	39	"	"		39	39	"	"	"	"	"	"	39
13 Snigavarum	Mahazeed	2	"	12		14	"	"	23	"	6	"	3	32
		506	"	103		609	516	"	224	"	6	"	3	749
		1489	"	579		2068	1620	"	683	29	820	"	114	3068

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Sourtapoor

1	Anantapoor Veeroopatchaswara = swamy	152	"	41	"	193	"	"	29	"	"	"	"	29
2	Kasawaraswamy	18	"	23	"	41	"	"	32	"	"	"	"	32
3	Petta Anjanayaswamy	42	"	"	"	42	42	"	"	"	"	"	"	42
4	Anjanayaswamy	10	"	26	"	36	"	"	38	"	"	"	"	38
5	Bookharoya Condanneduroya Samandum = swamy	210	"	80	"	290	"	"	123	"	53	263	"	439
6	Koodair Sunganadwaradwa = my	175	"	80	"	255	"	"	85	"	"	"	"	85
7	Nademe Chennakasavaswamy = doddy	56	"	5	"	61	"	"	6	"	"	289	"	295
8	Pompanoor Anjobalaswamy	62	"	17	"	79	"	"	32	"	"	"	"	32
9	Tandoor Chennakasavaswa = my	161	"	"	"	161	178	"	26	"	242	"	"	446
10	Nanjoolah Chennakasavaswa = my	92	"	"	"	92	178	"	23	"	140	"	"	341
11	Tomparu Anjanayaswamy	59	"	11	"	70	58	"	12	"	17	"	"	87
12	Singana Golacondaroyaswa = my	80	"	50	"	130	56	"	52	"	137	"	9	254
13	Ramaswamy	130	"	39	"	169	56	"	58	"	140	"	1	263
14	Eswaraswamy	18	"	31	"	39	56	"	32	"	"	"	9	97
15	Sodanapully Anjanayaswamy	15	"	6	"	21	23	"	6	"	20	"	"	49
16	Rauchapully Eswaraswamy	71	"	"	"	71	"	"	3	"	155	"	"	158
17	Dhumpet Chennakasavaswa = my	58	"	54	"	112	70	"	114	"	52	"	"	238
18	Chegolla Vanoo Gopaula = ravoo = swamy	29	"	17	"	46	"	"	23	"	70	"	"	93
		1438	"	470	"	1908	717	"	694	"	1026	552	27	3018
	Mosque													
19	Tandmurry Joommah Mohozeed	77	"	"	"	77	93	"	"	"	20	"	"	113
		1515	"	470	"	1985	810	"	694	"	1046	552	27	3129

Pengondah

1	Pengondah Ramaswamy	312	"	"	"	312	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
2	Ganagery Soma = swaraswamy	36	"	"	"	36	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
3	Pett Anjanayaswa = my	1	"	"	"	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
4	Venayaka	4	"	"	"	4	17	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	17
5	Dhurvajah Anja = nayaswamy	3	"	"	"	3	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"

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Conjeevaram

6	Poolapartee	Gopaulswamy	42				42			23				3	26
7	Roddum	Rooddrapauduim	18				18							50	50
8	Voolacoor	Sungamaswaraswamy	35				35			29		3		6	38
9	Mylasamoodum	Anjanayaswamy	10				10								
10	Bookkapatum	Venkataramanaswamy	17		55		72			79			42		121
			484		55		539	17		131		3	42	59	252
1	Santla Sidanoor	Anjanayaswamy	420		187		607			38		540	29	38	645
2		Sulleyavaradaswamy Mudl	140				140	443							443
3	Hindopoor	Venkataramaswamy	30		11		41			12		18		4	30
4		Jeebe Anjanayaswamy	26		13		39			12		44		6	62
5		Eswaraswamy in the Fort	25				25								
6		Goddatha Venkataramanaswamy	14		20		34			20		29		18	67
7		Nadee Anjanayaswamy	14				14					18			18
8		Buswaswaraswamy	15				15	6				2		26	28
9		Nundheeswaraswamy	14				14					17			17
10	Redecondah	Gopaulawamy	35	2			37		61	3		23			87
11		Anjanayaswamy	35	44			79		155			9			164
12		Eswaraswamy	35	36			71		61	3		23			87
13	Chillamoor	Kaneree Nursimmaswamy	175		86		261	245		79		172		58	554
14		Anjanayaswamy	17		5		22			6		29			35
15		Eswaraswamy	35				35					70			70
16	Chowloor	Anjanayaswamy	35		3		38			3		23		18	44
17	Goodehully	Venkataramanaswamy	53		17		70			38		12		12	92
18	Bhoodalee	Eswaraswamy	23		11		34	23		12		9			44
19		Anjanayaswamy	12		37		49	23		38		9			70
20	Sapatchee	Ramaswamy	35				35							38	38
21		Ramachana Paupa Swamy	35				35							35	35
22	Sasana Cotah	Anjanayaswamy	17				17					17		21	38
23	Umagonda Pollem	Venkataramanaswamy	79		30		79	91		50		14			155
			1269	82	440		1791	825	277	314		1108	29	270	2823
1	Madugserah	Venkataramanaswamy	172				172	291							291
2		Prasunna Nooka Nyapravaswamy	18				18	35							35

Redecondah

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Madrigarahs

3	Pett	Anjanayaswamy	18	"	"	"	18	18	"	"	"	"	"	"	18
4	Veheree	Anjanayaswamy	17	"	"	"	17	17	"	"	"	"	"	"	17
5	Chuttrum	Vanoo Gopaulswamy	18	291	"	"	309	"	"	"	"	53	"	"	53
6	Chendaka-cherla	Anjanayaswamy	17	"	3	"	20	"	"	9	"	"	"	"	9
7	Ruthnagherry	Anjanayaswamy	18	"	"	"	18	35	"	12	"	"	"	"	47
8		Soobbarayaswamy	18	"	"	"	18	35	"	"	"	"	"	"	35
9	Uggalee	Sunkaraswamy	26	"	19	6	51	"	"	38	"	76	"	"	114
10	Celabundah	Rungaswamy	26	"	30	2	58	"	"	32	"	38	"	"	70
11	Rollah	Anjanayaswamy	17	"	6	2	25	76	"	6	"	3	"	"	85
12	Yasnavatee	Siddaswaraswamy	44		56	"	100	70	"	67	"	88	"	"	225
			409	291	114	10	824	577	"	164	"	258	"	"	999
13	Madugarah	Mahazeed	52	"	"	"	52	53	"	"	"	6	"	"	59
			461	291	114	10	876	630	"	164	"	264	"	"	1058
1	Dhurmaveram	Kasawaswamy	158	"	108	"	266	213	"	155	"	204	"	6	578
2		Chendramoulaswaraswamy	10	"	14	"	24	"	"	6	"	12	"	"	18

Dhurmaveram

3		Siddaswaraswamy	10	"	40	"	50	"	"	56	"	82	6	3	141
4	Kulleyan-droog	Puttabeu Ramaswamy	89	"	71	11	160	44	"	73	"	166	"	9	292
5		Anjanayaswamy	18	"	50	11	68	9	"	50	"	6	"	3	68
6	Koonnatoor	Chennakasawaswamy	18	"	13	2	33	"	6	12	"	38	"	"	50
7	Gottoor	Anjanayaswamy	58	"	10	18	86	"	"	6	"	"	"	"	6
8	Afparan-cheroo	Sungamaswaraswamy	38	"	21	11	59	"	"	29	"	114	"	"	143
9	Ravoolar-cheroo	Coolunda Rama-swamy	13	"	35	11	48	"	"	35	"	70	"	3	108
10	Nagasamoo-drum	Runganathaswamy	18	"	39	11	57	"	"	70	"	20	"	"	90
11		Kasawaswamy	17	"	34	11	51	"	"	45	"	23	"	"	68
12	Koonta-muddee	Runganathaswamy	28	"	18	"	46	"	"	26	"	59	"	"	85
13	Koondapee	Audekasawaswamy	28	"	"	11	28	9	"	"	"	12	"	"	21
14		Eswaraswamy	21	"	"	11	21	9	"	"	"	12	"	"	21
15		Kasawaswamy in the Fort	35	"	"	11	35	9	"	"	"	12	"	"	21
16		Narasimmaswamy	35	"	"	11	35	9	"	"	"	12	"	"	21
17	Kumbadoor	Mullakarjoonswamy	42	"	105	11	147	"	"	61	"	53	"	6	120
18		Audekasawaswamy	35	"	16		51	14	"	26	"	24	"	"	64
19	Paroor	Anjanayaswamy	35	"	22	6	63	"	"	23	"	70	"	"	93
20	Timmapoor	Narasimmaswamy	17	"	"	3	20	"	"	"	"	42	"	"	42
21	Vittum-pully	Kondakindaroya-swamy	17	"	14	1	32	"	"	20	"	"	"	6	26
			740	"	610	30	1380	316	"	693	"	1031	"	36	2076
	Grand Total		1815	2968	12629	357	33969	12263	3381	10333	320	9661	1538	2050	39546

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No. 182.

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

Dated after
B. No. 1551.
From the Superintendent of Police.

Sir,

May I request you will be so good as to inform me if the Board have adopted any measures for taking a Census or whether they have determined upon any forms or mode of proceeding in order to obtain a Census in the Provinces, if so you will kindly favor me with any information on the subject which you may have in your power to afford.

Madras General Police Office,
7th May 1856.

(Signed) J. C. Boulderson, Lieut. Colle
Superintendent of Police.

Ordered that the following be sent in reply.

574-575

To, The Superintendent of Police.

B. No. 1190.

Sir,

To the Superintendent of Police
Inclos: 11 May 1856.

In reply to your letter of the 7th Instant, I am directed by the Board to transmit Four blank forms which appear to them to be calculated to give the results of a Census of the town of Madras with clearness and simplicity a Memorandum accompanies these forms explaining the object with which they have been framed.

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2. The first of the four Statements is intended to supply the information which is to be afterwards separated and classified in the manner indicated in the 2d 3d and 4th Forms, if therefore Form No. 1 be filled up correctly and within the time proposed to be occupied upon it, the others may be drawn from it at leisure with any alterations or additions which seem desirable.

3. The Board desire me to add that they will be happy to offer their suggestions on any point connected with the Census on which you may wish to consult them.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
14th May, 1856.

(Signed) G. S. Forbes.
Secretary.

Enclosure No. 1.

Memorandum explanatory of the Forms accompanying a letter to Superintendant Police.

In the first of the accompanying forms an attempt has been made to simplify the method laid down at page 13 of the report on the Census of the N. W. Provinces.

2. Form No. 1 consists of 7 Columns instead

instead of 12. The 1st Column of the N. W. Provinces form has been omitted, because the number of families occupying one house may more easily be given by entering the name of each of the Head of such families in succession bracketed against the same house as shewn in the specimen from No. 1.

House No.	Name of H. of Family
No. 4	Ramasawmy Appasawmy. Mootoosawmy.

vide House No. 4 One Column alone (No. 3) will shew the Caste race or religion and another single Column (No. 4) the profession. It will be easy to ascertain the number of each calling hereafter if necessary from these returns and to distinguish them as agriculturists or otherwise. This Columns 3. 4. 5. 6 shew the same amount of information as is afforded by Columns 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11 of the form used in the N. W. Provinces.

3. In taking the returns by means of these forms the Board consider that the following course should be observed.

1st A competent Officer should be told off for each division of Madras and a sufficient No. of blank Copies of Form No. 1 should be furnished to him some time before the date on which the Census is to be taken. This interval may be employed by the officer in filling up the four first Columns

Columns of the Statement-

4. As the remaining Columns will require to be filled up during a single day and if possible during the forenoon, it will be necessary to each Officer a number of Assistants to each of whom a Sub division should be allotted containing such a number of dwellings as may be visited in the course of five or eight hours- As the questions to be asked regard only the number and the sex of the persons who slept in the house during the previous night, and whether they were strangers or members of the family, the enquiring officers will be enabled to pass rapidly from house to house-

5. It will be however advisable that the subdivisions should be fixed some little time in anticipation of the day of registry to enable the sub Officers to familiarise themselves with the number, position and circumstances of the portion of the district they are to visit; it will be expedient that this should be done quietly and without obstruction-

6. On the day determined on for the Census the visitation should commence at day light and the 3 Columns requiring to be filled in will be proceeded with as rapidly as possible-

7. In the evening the lists should be given

in to the Officer of the division, who will forward them to the Superintendant of Police with a general return of the population of his district in form

No. 2-

Rule 11, Page 10 Report on Census N. W. P.

8. Following the principle adopted in the N. W. Provinces no distinction has been made between Children and adults-

9. It will also be observed that the occupation of the Head of the Family has been taken to shew that of its Members-

10. When the Head of a family is a Christian his race and the denomination to which he belongs should be also given as-

Antony Fernandez Jones-

Native Christian. Roman Catholic
East Indian. Protestant
English dissenter.

11. Form No. III is designed to shew the population classified according to race and creed; with the proportion in each between Males and Females-

12. Form No. IV shews the Numbers engaged in trade agriculture or Mechanical arts-

13. It will be observed that Forms No. II. III. IV are prepared without having recourse to further local enquiry and from the material afforded by the Form No. I which is the only one requiring to be filled up by domiciliary enquiry-

Revenue Board Office, Fort St. George, 14th May 1856.

(Signed) G. S. Forbes.
Secretary
Census

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Form No. 1.

Census Return for the Division of Mylapoor or 4th Division shewing the number of houses with the number, caste and sex of their inmates on the night of the 4th June 1856.

No. of House	Name of Head of Family.	Caste or Religion	Occupation.	Male inmates on night of 1st June	Female Do. Do. Do. Do.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Ramasawmy	Soodra	Trade	2	3	No strangers
2	Mooltoo	Soodra	Goldsmith	1	2	Do.
3	Casim	Moosulman	Butcher	3	4	One stanger not usually an inmate.
4	Arnachellum	Soodra	Cutler	3	5.	Two families occupy this house no strangers.
5	Chellan	Do.	Do. Do.			
	Antony	Native Christian Roman Catholic				
4	5			9	14	

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Form No. 2. to be forwarded with the Returns furnished in Form No. 1 to the Superintendent of Police

Division of Mylapoor.

Number of Sub Division.	Houses.	Families.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Remarks.
1	100	145	400	419	819	Registered by Kristniengar
2	120	170	420	450	870	By Ramanjooloo Mudr.
3						
4						
5						
6						
Total						

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Form No. 3. Classification by race and creed

Hindoos.			Mahometans.			Christians.									Total.		
						Natives.			East Indians.			Europeans.					
Males.	Females.	Per centage.	Males.	Females.	Per centage.	Males.	Females.	Per centage.	Males.	Females.	Per Centage	Males.	Females.	Per centage.	Males.	Females.	Per Centage.

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Form No. 4.

Employments of the Male Population.

Hindoos.			Mahometans.			Christians.		
Agriculture.	Trade.	Mechanical arts.	Agricultural	Trade.	Mechanical arts.	Agricultural	Trade.	Mechanical arts.

Note. This Column includes Europeans East Indians and Natives.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
14th May 1856

(Signed) G. S. Forbes.
Secretary.

To

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No. 136.

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

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B. No. 1569.

From the Collector of Chingleput

Sir,

I have the honor to state for the information of the Board that agreeably with the instructions conveyed in Extract from their Proceedings under date 26th Ultimo No. 1252, I have issued instructions to the Peishcar of Covelong to supply, at a freight of Rupees 40 per 100 Maunds, the requisite quantity of salt to one Pommamundee Venkatareddy who had applied for it for export to Chittagong, and hope that the arrangement will meet with their approval.

Chingleput District,
Collectors Cutcherry,
Sydapet 8th May 1856.

(Signed) C. I. Stubrick.
Collector.

B. No. 1451.

Proceedings thereon.

The Board observe that the rate of freight agreed to be given to Venkatareddy is inclusive of Cast 10 Rupees higher than that paid by the agent at Chittagong. They wish to know at what quantity of Salt it is proposed to give to Venkatareddy on these terms.

Exd. Mr. Couvs. 19th April 56 P. 3.

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No. 48.

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

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B. No. 1620

From the Asst. Collector of Guntoor

Sir,

Submitting the information called for in the Board's Circular of the 18th Ultimo relative to the mode of preparing the Demand Collection and Balance Statements.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Board's Circular No. 1165 of 18th Ultimo, relative to the mode of preparing the demand, Collection and balance statements periodically transmitted to the Board of Revenue.

2 In reply I beg to state that the current demand exhibited is only nominal, being formed on the amount of actual collections It is impracticable to determine the amount of instalments which should properly constitute the demand for the earlier months of the fusly, before the settlement is made, and the amount determined at the settlement is also liable to be disturbed by remissions necessarily made afterwards on account of wet cultivation &c. This has led to the adoption of the actual collections for the demand.

3 The collections are those which have reached the Hooz or Treasury and been credited in the public books in the month for which

which the statement is furnished The Tahsildars make their remittances of the cash that has reached the Talook Treasuries upto 15th of each month on the day or two following and the shraffing and counting of the coins in the Kazzor usually requires 5 or 6 days and sometimes more, and the whole is not credeted in the accounts till about 28th or 30th of the month so that in the Demand collection and Balance sheet the Talook collections of haly the month to which it relates and of half the preceding month are exhibeted.—

4 If it is intended to depart from the present practice of excluding the collections not actually received into the Kazzor Treasury and credited in the Public accounts I would remark that this would be productive of a discordance with cash reports and other accounts furnished to the Accountant General, and if it is intended to make the Talook collections instead of the Kazzor collections the basis of account, it will be necessary to keep the accounts open till the remittance is made and shroffed, which

which necessarily involves a delay of several days as above described, which is open to objection.—

5 It would be quite impracticable to have the Talook collections up to the 25th of the month remitted, shroffed and carried to account within the month owing to the distance of some of the Talooks and other circumstances.—

6 The above observations apply to the salt as well as the Land revenue.—

7 The present usage seems the most convenient, and as the instalments are fall due at the beginning of the month, and the collections from the 15th to the end of it are generally only very trifling. I do not see that a change would, as respects Land revenue, have much advantage in placing the transactions in a more correct point of view, while inconvenience and delay may be expected, in attempting it as well as some complication in the accounts furnished to the Accountant Generals Office in the proposed supplemental statement.—

8 The salt collections differ from the land revenue in their not being generally

generally confined to any one part of the month more than another. —

2 Perhaps the object of the Board would be attained by furnishing a Statement of the Taluk collections as made from 15 to the end of the month, and not actually carried to the public account within that period - This would supply the means of discriminating the actual transactions of the Talook treasuries within each month and might be forwarded on the 4th of the month, and would also be unaccompanied as by any discrepancy in the accounts as furnished to other Departments. —

Guntoor District
Collector's Office -
Moondradoo Pindy
9th May 1856 -

(Signed) H. Nevill
Acting Collector

Order thereon — Ordered to be recorded

To

No 98

To

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

Sir,

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B. No. 1624
From the Collector
of Nellore -

Informing with reference to Boards Circular of the 18th April 1856 that the Monthly Demand Collection & Balance statements in the new form do not represent the transactions of the month for which they are furnished with certain exceptions

With reference to your Circular No 1165 dated 18th Ultimo, I have the honor to state for the information of the Board that the Monthly Demand Collection and Balance Statements in the new form do not represent the transactions of the Month for which they are furnished, but refer as always, with the exceptions noticed below, to those of the previous month. —

2 Thus taking the Return for March the collections on account of each of the items therein shown, with the exception of a portion of those under the head of "Permanently settled" are in reality in those of the Month of February, tho' in consequence of their being brought to account in the Hoozoor Treasury in the succeeding Month of March, the statement professes to be for this latter Month - Of the

permanent

*Venkatagherry & Choondy

Permanent Peishcush two of the Zemeendars pay the Revenue direct into the Collectors' Treasury, and generally within the Month in which the Kist falls due - The Collections under this head therefore, as exhibited in the Demand Collection and Balance statement, are to this extent for the Month to which it refers, as are also those of what are called Muzzer and Dasoya Roopooms, payable by the Venkatagherry Zemindar, which likewise he remits direct to the Treasury with his Peishcush - For the items noted in the Margin, the current Demand is framed and entered in the Monthly Demand Collection and Balance statement according to the prescribed kistbundy - For the other items, the actual Collections constitute the Demand. —

*Permanently settled Shrotrium Jody &c.

Muzzer Roopooms
Dasoya Roopooms
Ab Parry —

3 The Collections in all cases whether at the Hoozoor or at the Talook Treasuries, are to the end of each Month, but the former only are entered in the Demand Collection and Balance Statement, which is the key to the whole system, as at present managed, in connection with

with which I beg in addition to my letter to the Acting Accountant General of 13th February last, Copy of which I had the honor to forward to the Board, to enclose also copy of his reply, which is in support of the present plan of shewing only the transactions of the Hoozoor Treasury, —

4 The sums collected from the Ryots but still in the custody of the Village officers are under this explanation of course omitted. —

5 In the event of its being determined that the Demand Collection and Balance Statement shall henceforth shew those items for the entire Month, for which it purports to be rendered the statement in question could not generally be despatched from my Office earlier than the 20th of the Month, succeeding that to which it refers. —

6 The Monthly salt account current also represents in reality the transactions of the Month preceding that for which it professes to be, as regards the receipts and sales at the Depots, as the storing and Collection appear in the Hoozoor account as the transaction of the Month in which they

are

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are received in the Collectors Office

Nellore ----
Collectors Office
9th May 1856 &

/Signed/ F. B. Elton
Collector. —

Encl. 1
No. 740

To,

F. B. Elton Esquire
Collector of Nellore

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 13th February last No. 54 I have the honor to acquaint you that the system of bringing to account as Demand the actual Collections into the Hoozoor Treasury in each month does not appear to me to require alteration for the reasons stated in your letter, Viz.t that the Collections made in the Talook Treasuries in the one month do not reach the Hoozoor Treasury till the month succeeding it. —

2 The same remark applies also to the value of salt sold adverted to

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to in the 4th para of your letter. —

3 If however measures can be adopted by you without inconvenience for drawing from the Talooks into your Hoozoor Treasury, the Collections made in each month, within the last day of the same month, it will greatly obviate the discrepancy now brought to notice by you Little will then be left in the Talooks on the last day of each Month, that little being remitted to the Hoozoor Treasury in the ensuing month. —

4 With reference to the observations in the concluding part of your letter under reply, I beg to state that your Monthly Journal exprefses to exchibit the genuine transactions of the Hoozoor Treasury alone - It cannot include the receipts and payments of the Talooks, save those brought to account in your Hoozoor Treasury for the Month It will be very proper to avoid all unnecessary and avoidable delays in bringing the collections of your Talook into your Hoozoor Treasury —

Fort St. George -
Accountant General Office
9th April 1856 - - -

/Signed/ G. L. Prendergast
Ag. Accountant General

/True Copy/
/Signed/ F. B. Elton
Collector

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Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded

To

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No. 75.

To

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

B. No. 1621
From the Collector of North Arcot } Sir,

Para 1 With reference to the Circular of the Board of Revenue, No. 1185, dated 18th Ultimo, c. calling upon me to state whether the Demand collection and Balance statements in the new form submitted monthly to your Office, actually represent the transactions of the month for which they are furnished, I have the honor to state for the information of the Board, that the statements actually represent the Demand and Collections from the 1st to 31st of each Month, and include no portion of the demand and Collections of the preceding Month.—

2 With reference to para 2 of the Board's Circular under reply, I have the honor to state that the Collections entered in the Demand or Collection and Balance statements are exclusively those which at the close of the Month have reached the Honour Treasury.- The sums actually collected from the Ryots, but still remaining either in the Talook treasury, or in the custody of the Village Officers, or those on their way to the Talook Treasury are not included in the statements forwarded to the Board.-

3 With reference to Para 3, the Board are aware that no salt is manufactured in this District.—

North Arcot ... Collectors Cutcherry Chittoor 9th May 1856 } /Signed/ C. Whittinghame Collector

Order thereon

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Ordered to lie over.—

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No. 74.

To

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

B. No. 1617
From the Collector of Madras -- } Sir,

I have the honor to inform you, that as the Boards' Circulars of the 24th December 1855 and 16th January 1851 appeared to be inapplicable to this Collectorate, no replies were made to them.—

Madras ... 12th May 1856 } /Signed/ B. Cunliffe Collector

Order thereon

584-585

Ordered to lie over.—

No. 75.

To

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

B. No. 1626
From the Collector of Madras -- } Sir,

In obedience to the orders contained in the Boards' Circular 24th December 1855 No. 3408. I have the honor to forward a brief report upon the revenue administration of this Collectorate for

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for the last Official year.—

2 The Board are aware that from the nature of my duties, and the limited Extent over which my jurisdiction extends I have nothing of general interest to communicate, and that my report must necessarily be confined to the furnishing of the statement called for in Para 5 of the Circular.—

3 Following as it did a year of great hardship to the people from the scarcity of food and the deficiency of rain, the period under report from the same cause, though operating in a minor degree, has pressed with much severity upon the general mass.—

4 The Saint Thome division of the District has been correctly surveyed and mapped, and the several holdings registered.—

5 The result showing that a

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a large extent of land and a many tenements had hitherto escaped the levy of assessment, these operations proved immediately remunerative, and are now being extended to the other divisions.—

6 The Salt transactions exhibit a large increase in the Exports with comparatively small receipts, being sold at the rate of 16 Rupees per 100 Indian Maunds; the additional labour and responsibility however to the Salt Establishment in storing and disposing of so large a quantity has been very great.—

(Signed) B. Cunliffe

Madras 12th May 1856

Collector

Statement

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No 1

Statement shewing the Collections of all branches of Revenue in the Collectorate of Madras for the Official year ending with 30th April 1856 in comparison with those of the previous year.—

No	Items		From 1st May 1854 to 30th April 1856			From 1st May 1855 to 30th April 1856			Increase			Decrease		
1	Land Revenue	Current	46,057	1 6	45,650	2 9	25,413	1 3	"	"	"			
		Arrears	14,962	15 4	18028	" "	3065	" 8	"	"	"			
			61,020	" 10	66,628	2 9	5,608	1 11	"	"	"			
2	Abkarry		574 102	3 8	5,86,115	1 4	120,12	13 8	"	"	"			
3	Salt		5,25,710	1 7	6,09,065	11 4	86,795	9 9	"	"	"			
4	Sundrys small Farms &c		24149	" "	4631	7 "	382	7 "	"	"	"			
5	Stamps		10,755	9 6	9,432	11 "	"	" "				1322	14	2
	Total		11,75,736	15 7	12,77,613	1 5	103199	" 4				1,322	"	14 6
	Sevoy Jummah													
	Land Revenue		4558	14 11	3636	2 2	"	" "				1022	12	9
	Extra Sources													
	Abkarry		230	6 9	369	14 9	139	8 "				"	"	"
	Salt		208	13 1	280	12 11	71	15 10				"	"	"
	Sundrys small Farms &c		144	5 6	130	7 5	"	" "				13	15	"
	Stamps		"	1 "	"	" "	"	" "				"	1	"
			5142	10 3	4,320	5 4	211	7 10	1033				12	9
	Grand Total		11,80,879	9 10	12,81,933	6 9	103410	8 2	2355		11	3		

Madras 12th May 1856 } (Signed) B. Cumliffe Collector

N.B. The quantity of salt disposed of during the year was as follows.—

	Nos Maunds	Indian Nos					
Home and In Land	510262	20 "	454053	22 16	"	" "	46208	37 1
Export	239663	39 10	67,448	" "	43,781	" 6	"	" "

Order thereon Ordered lie over

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Proceedings thereon.—

Recording observations on the subject of Meerassy tenures and reminding Government that Mr Ellis's views on the subject have not been generally accepted but on the contrary have been opposed by men of distinguished knowledge and experience in Indian affairs.

Resolved that the following letter be despatched

In Para 9 of their Proceedings of the 29th ultimo No 1271, the Board expressed their intention of taking separate notice of the question of Meerasi right—

The subject has lately come before them on several occasions and its importance calls for careful consideration

2. The State of the question appears at present to stand as follows and is consequently much perplexed—Mr Ellis' paper on Meerasi has been acknowledged by Government to give an accurate description of Meerassy tenures and acting upon

1 Extract Minutes of Consultations 5th September 1855 No 1020 ordering a piece of Ground to be made over to the Meerassy claimant Rungapah Naick contrary to the Decree of the Civil Court of Combaconum in appeal Suit No 11 of 1817 and the opinion of the Board expressed in a letter to Govt. dated 8th August 1855. No 2021

2 Extract Minutes of Consultation 11th February 1856 No 156 expressing the Remarks of Government on Meerassy right in reply to a letter from the Collector of Madras explaining that in his District immemorial waste had been sold on behalf of Government and asking instructions for future guidance

3. Boards Proceedings of 29th April 1856 No 1271 Submitting opinion of Advocate General on the question of filing a Suit to oust one Boodunda Rama Moodelly from some land in Madras.

4. Extract Minutes of Consultation 11 February 1856 No 119 directing Chumam quarries in Districts round Madras to be rented out on behalf of Government.

5. Extract Minutes of Consultation 8th March 1856 No 374 Directing waste lands in South arcot to be left to the Meerasdars instead of being given out by Government for cultivation

Submitted 11th Feby/56

Submitted 2 April/56

Submitted 11 Feby/56

Extract Minutes of Consultations 11th February 1856 No 156 Para 2.

x Extract Minutes of Cons 5th Sept. 1855 No 1020.

upon this view, Government gave up a claim to the free Control of waste lands and set a side a Decree which the Civil Court of Combaconum in Tanjore had passed in its favor.

In the same Spirit Government have declared that immemorial waste and unassessed land cannot be taken by it for public works or other purposes without obtaining it from the Meerassdars.

Extract Minutes of Cons 11th inst Cons 28th Feby 1856 No 136 Para 2.

Yet at the same time Government have ordered Chunam quarries to be rented out on its account in Districts where Meerassy exists and have upheld the Sale of waste lands in Madras on its behalf on the ground that an order passed by it in 1800 Set a side the rights of the Meerassdars in that District.

Extract Minutes Cons 11th inst 22 Feby 1856 No 1149

Extract Minutes of Cons 11th Feby 1856 No 156 P. 1.

3. The effects of the above orders on the public interests are to be viewed the Board Consider under the following 2 aspects:

1st The acts of Government in disposing of waste land and the various items of revenue hitherto derived from it in its uncultivated State are brought into question and 2dly the Spread of Cultivation

Cultivation and the increase of the land revenue which depend on the waste land being available for prompt occupancy are endangered if Government loses that Control over the waste which it has hitherto exercised.

4. To illustrate the importance of the Subject the Board will notice briefly the rights claimed by Mr Ellis for the Meerassdars: first observing that the word "Meeras" is arabic not Indian, and signifies simply hereditary property. The leading features ascribed by Mr Ellis to Meerassy tenures are as follows:

P 3. Meerassidars are stated to be entitled to a portion of the produce from all land Cultivated by Payacaris or persons not Meerassdars.

P. 8 and 12. Meerassy right extends to waste land. Besides holding the cultivable lands Meerassdars are stated to possess "the exclusive right of Cutting firewood, working quarries &c." in the Anadi Carumbu or immemorial waste though they cannot alter its State and Cultivate it without the Consent of the State.

P 11 Answer 4. Meerassy right is declared not to

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to be forfeited by a Meerasidar ceasing to cultivate and pay the revenue for any period during his life or that of his Son or Grand Son. It would only become forfeitable, that is, the claimant could not regain it if it had passed into the possession of another, after the 3rd generation or after the lapse of the period of memory determined to be 100 years. Government it is added can only give lands temporarily to another for cultivation in the absence of the Meerasidar.

P. 31. answer 16. Poleuddy proprietors to whom lands have descended by inheritance and who hold them in their own right and transmit them in regular descent to their children are declared unable to mortgage or sell them on account of the reversionary right which is said to be vested in the Meerasidars.

5. If the above description is admitted to be accurate, the Board are unaware on what grounds Government can defend the

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revenue they have hitherto derived from the natural products of the Country as "the exclusive right of cutting firewood working quarries &c" is stated to belong to the Meerasdars. But the public interests are affected on two still more important points. The rightful possession of those lands which have been given away by Government for various purposes during the last 50 years is called in question and a serious impediment will in the Board's opinion be raised to the future Spread of Cultivation. Such a result is greatly to be deprecated as the increase of population and wealth is quickening the demand for land and the objects of the proposed Revenue Survey and modification of the assessment will not be attained unless the waste lands are available for early occupancy. The Board will therefore offer a few remarks on this point

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x See Extract Mins Cons 23d April 1855 P. 14 approving remarks of Coll. of North arcot in his Printed Report of 25th October 1854. P. 69.

6. It has been argued x that it would be the interest of the Meerasidars if the waste was left to them to find tenants and get it all Cultivated, but there are other Considerations to be taken into account. Experience has shewn that when many proprietors share a Village a sense of interest alone does not always guide their Conduct. The effects of indifference jealousies absence or engagement in other pursuits have been found to Counteract the Sense of Self interest and it is not therefore safe to make the interests of Government depend on that one feeling. The Board alluded to on this Subject when reviewing the State of Chingleput and its neglected Cultivation in their Proceedings of 14th April 1823 P. 15 The remarks which they then made on the effects of Meerasidars absence and neglect are corroborated at a Subsequent Date by the observations of the Collector in his report of 15th July 1839 P. 130 to 132

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Meerasidars not only neglected their lands but impeded their Cultivation by others.

7. Again parties who take waste land from Government receive it speedily and on a safe and clear title. If they have to obtain it from the Meerasidars they have to pay rent to them in addition to the Government assessment and have to discover who all the Meerasidars of the Village are. This is no easy task, for as the Hindoo law of inheritance divides property among the members of a family and as some would generally be absent, while according to Mr Ellis' absence does not destroy Meerasy right unless Continued for 3 generations the party taking up waste land could hardly ever be certain that he occupied it with the Consent of all the parties interested and was not liable to be disturbed in his possession.

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The Board Cannot Conceive that under such circumstances Cultivation and improvement would advance as readily as at present. and the whole question is yearly becoming more important as the value of land is raised by the increase of population and wealth and by a more active demand for agri: cultural produce and all descriptions of building materials.—

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8. as the claims of the Meerasidars interfere thus Seriously with the public interests, and with the right of numerous parties now in possession of lands received from Government in Enam or on payment of assessment it appears to the Board that the validity and extent of these claims should be clearly established before their rightfulness is acknowledged and on this point the Board

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Board. Cannot feel satisfied. Strong and positive evidence should be produced to out weigh that claim which Government has on lands which remain in a State of nature and yield no revenue to the State. Such evidence appears to the Board wanting and they observe that Mr. Ellis leaves the Supposed right of the Meerasidars in the waste, vague and undefined. If they have really an owner Ship Such as would interfere with the right of the above to turn the waste at its pleasure to useful proposes. the Board Consider that Govern: ment is bound to pay the real value of the land which they take for public works By the real value is meant that price which the land from its situation and capability of improvement would Command from private purchasers. If therefore right of the Meerasidars to the waste is admitted

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the Board consider that that right ought not to be held valueless because the land happens at the time to be unproductive and they are Constrained with all deference to express dissent from the passage in which Government observe the interest of the Meerasidars in such land is measured not by its possible value in the event of its being brought into a cultivable State and supplied with irrigation but simply by its actual value in its existing State and by the real loss to the Meerasidars by its being appropriated. Thus estimated the real exchangeable value of a very large part of the land to which Mr Lewellyn probably refers will be found so very small

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that the Meerasdars may be willing to give it up for nothing. Instead of land being thus valueless the letter of the Collector
Inlosure 7th may/56. of Madras / dated 29th March 1856 P. 6/ for-
warded with the Board's Proceedings of the
7th Instant shews that land for the railway
and other purposes will involve Considerable
expense and though this Consideration
does not affect the validity of the rights
claimed by the Meerasdars, the Board advert
to it to make Government aware of the import-
ance of the question under discussion.—

The magnitude of the interests which
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are thus attached to the question of Meerasy
right leads the Board to bring it again before
the Government and they will first advert to
the passage in which Government remark that
Extract Minutes of Cons 11th inclosure 2 to 11th Feby 1856. No 158 P. 2. "Mr Ellis has been usually regarded as the very best authority on points connected with the Meerasi tenure" On this part of the Subject the Board would

would observe that the Honorable the Court of Directors disapproved the publication of that gentleman's paper and mistrusting his opinions called for a more deliberate enquiry and fuller information. The question was therefore further reported on by the Board in their Proceedings of 11th December 1823. and to these as containing a very full Statement of the Subject the present Board request especial reference. They Commence by stating that Mr. Elles's paper had not been circulated for the guidance of public Officers as the acknowledged Law on the Subject and then express views materially different.

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10. On this occasion the Board laid before Government their Proceedings

× Bde Proc. 11. Dec. 1823 on South arcot Dt. 11th Sept 1823

of South Arcot and Chingleput to show their opinion regarding Meeraſs and observe preliminarily "much has been said about Meeraſsy rights in the Southern Provinces much ingenuity theory and indeed enthusiasm are to be found in the papers written on this subject, but it is still doubtful, when and how these rights originated, what they exactly were and whether any native Government admitted them to the extent claimed."

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11. The Board then point out that the so called Meeraſsidars were originally heads of Villages, and received their fees for service performed in that capacity though they afterwards attempted to make out that they were the universal landlords of the Village and received their fees in that character, a claim which in Justice to the actual holders of the Village lands was disallowed. The Board next remark that the Just rights of Meeraſsidars have always been and ought to be supported but these rights imply a compact between Government and the

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the Meerasidars when the latter fail to perform the service and pay the revenue for which those rights were originally granted, the compact is broken, and Government must look to some other person for the discharge of those obligations as necessary to its own existence. When therefore a Meerasidar neglects his land Government must provide for its cultivation, and as this cannot effectually be done if the Meerasidar had the power, stated by Mr. Ellis, of returning and ousting the new occupant, and as no trace could be found to show that the preceding Government had even acknowledged such a right the Board denied its existence and rejected it as "contrary to every principle of good Government."

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12. The Board then applied the same reasoning to waste lands observing "the

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"The Meerasidar has also an interest in the waste land and a right to a Meerah or fee when being unable to cultivate it himself he gets a tenant who shall cultivate it and pay the usual rent to Government, though in fact he has his fee for the service he performs, but if the Meerasidar neglects or refuses to get a tenant for the waste, and the Circar is obliged to find one itself to keep up or increase the revenue of the Village, the Meerasidar has no right to the fee, it may either be added to the rent payable /to Government/ by the tenant, or may be given up to him as an encouragement to extend the cultivation". In support of these views the Board appealed to "common sense and those common

principles

principles upon which any Govern-
ment and Society is founded." any
other conclusion "they observed would
be contrary to the principle of mutual
and general expediency which alone
generally gave birth to the rights
of Meerasidars." "The rights of
Meerasidars are sacred, but so are
those of the Government" and the
latter includes the manifest right
of providing for the exigencies of
the State by the Collection of a
public revenue. This could not be
accomplished if Government had
not the power to dispose of waste
land, and the Board represented
that no proof was adduced of former
Government having ever admitted
the extensive claims advanced by
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the Meerasidars. They also used
the very important argument that those
claims were inconsistent with Justice
and the improvement of the country it
being inequitable that after the Meeras-
sidars had neglected tracts of land,
they should be entitled to a profit when
Government by the outlay of capital
constructed works of irrigation and brought
them into value.

* See also on this point P. 6 of Sir T. Munro's Minute

13. After thus stating their views
the Board remarked that besides
Mr. Ellis, the Collectors of two other
Districts / Madura and Tinnevelly / had
mentioned in reply to the Circular ques-
tions on Meerasy, that the Meerasidars
had a right in the waste, though the
nature and extent of this right were
not defined. The Board therefore
proposed.

proposed to circulate some further questions to ascertain whether Government when requiring waste land had ever purchased it from the Meerasidars, and whether any compensation might be considered due when Government took land which the Villagers had been accustomed to use for pasturage &c. But as the Honorable Court of Directors, before whom the Board's Proceedings were laid, considered their views on Meeraſs to be highly satisfactory, the subject was not further pursued.

14. Sir Thomas Munro in writing on the subject expreſsed an opinion that the Board of Revenue as well as Mr. Ellis had failed to shew on sufficient proof the origin of Meeraſs. but he entirely differed from that Gentleman on two most important points. Instead of considering Meerasidars entitled to Swamybhogum or a portion of the produce of all lands cultivated by persons not

* See Despatch from the Honorable Court communicated with extract Minutes in Consultation 22d May of 1829 No. —

Minute on the State of the Country and condition of the people dated 31st December 1824 Paras 3 to 11

Para 6

not Meerasidars. Sir Thomas Munro observes. "The right of the Meerasidar to derive a rent from land for which he neither pays the public revenue nor finds a tenant is certainly not acknowledged now and probably never was so at any former time." again with respect to the waste he writes as follows.

"The waste in Meeraſs Villages in Arcot is supposed by Mr. Ellis to belong to the Meerasidars Jointly, and he supports his opinion by documents shewing, that when a Meerasidar sells his cultivated lands, he transfers by the same deed to the purchaser his right in the produce of the waste, the quarries mines, fisheries &c within the limits of the Village. But this appears to be a mere technical form which can give no actual proprietary right in the waste. It is used in Villages where

where there is no waste as well as where there is, and may be used where there is no Meeraſs - It confers a right, but not the right of owner-ship, the pasture of the waste lands, and the fishery of the tanks and Nullahs in common with the other Meeraſsidars of the Village - The same right exists - every where - In those parts of the Deccan where Meeraſs is unknown the ryots of every Village reserve the fishery and pasture to themselves and drive away the cattle of Stran-gers, and derive just as much be-nefit from the waste as those of Meeraſs Villages - Such a right seems to be a natural one every where and it is accordingly aſsumed by the Ryots of every Village without its

its being supposed that any formal grant is necessary for the purpose - Mr. Ellis does not seem to be very decided as to the nature of the property enjoyed by the Meeraſsidar in waste - He admits that he cannot break it up without the permiſsion of the Circar - He does not say that he has any specific share of it or that he can sell it alone without the cultivated land or that he can do more than sell with his arable his - right of common in the waste. The Circar from ancient times has every where, even in arcot as well as in other Provinces, - granted waste in Inam free of every rent or claim, public or private, and appears in all such grants to have considered the - waste as being exclusively its own property. It may be objected, that if this were the case it - might give away the whole waste lands

lands of a Village, and injure the in-
habitants by depriving them of their
pasture. It certainly might give
away the whole, but whether the exer-
cise of this right would be injurious
to the inhabants would depend on
circumstances. If the lands, accord-
ing to the general custom of the coun-
try, were left unenclosed, there would
be no injury; as the cattle of the Vil-
lage would graze on them whenever
the Crops were off the grounds.—
If the lands were enclosed, the in-
habitants would be no wose off
than those of many other Villages, whose
lands are entirely cultivated and enclos-
ed, and who are in consequence after-
obliged to send their cattle during the
dry season to graze in distant Jungles
and to incur, a trifling expense for

the wages of the herdsman and the
tax on pasturage. This expense even
where greatest, could never have affected
the right of the Circar to dispose of
the waste, though it might probably
have induced it to compensate the Mee-
rasidar inhabitants for their loss by
some reduction in the assessment of their
arable lands. It has been supposed
that in Meeras Villages in Arcot
in the original compact between the
Circar and the first Settlers, the ex-
clusive use of the waste was secured
to those Settlers - but it has already
been shewn, that in all Villages, whe-
ther Meeras or not, the inhabitants
reserve to themselves the exclusive use
of the waste. But this right is good
only against strangers not against

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the Circar, which posseses. I think by the usage of the country, the absolute right of disposing of the waste as it pleases in Villages which are Meeraſs as well as in those which are not. "In the Deccan, in Meeraſs Villages the carporation has not the right of disposing of unoccupied land but the circar has."

Mr. Chaplins Report Paragraph 114

15. These opinions have the full concurrence of the present Board of Revenue, and are supported by the tenor of our legislation and the practice of our administration. In the Preamble of Regulation XXV of 1802 which declares the propritary right of the soil to be vested in the Zemindaries then created, it is remarkable that Meeraſsidars are alluded to, and though their existence

existence was thus known, Zemindars continue to be described as the proprietors of the land (See Section 2. Regulation 27 of 1802) and by Section 15, Regulation XXX of 1802, they are expresly allowed to alienate immemorial waste lands at their pleasure, a right which Government has reserved to itself in Ryotwary Districts. Afterwards Government declared by Regulation IV of 1822 that the Regulations of 1802 "were not meant to infringe the actual rights of any description of land holders or tenants". but the evident object of this Regulation was to Secure occupancy and prevent parties being Summarily ousted from land in their possession The State has since Shown distinctly by its acts that it did not thereby give up its right of disposing of waste lands Thus in North Arcot the Collector Mr. Bourdillon writing in 1854 observes, "Land waste for a few years has been freely given to all applicants as if it were the unconditional property of Government."

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In Chingleput the Hon'ble Commissioners authorize waste land to be granted to any applicant and a Puttah to be prepared in his name if the resident ryots decline to cultivate it and in South Arcot the Collector reports that the landowners prefer no claim to the waste In Tanjore also the Decree of the Civil Judge in appeal suit No. 11 of 1847 to which the Board advert in their Proceedings of 8th August 1848 and 17th December idem Para 3 supports the principle that the disposal of unoccupied and unassessed land rests with the Revenue authorities.

Letter from Collector dated 16th April 1850 Ltd 6 May 1850 Cont to Government on the 6th idem.

The Board have already alluded to the additional proof of the right of Government which is to be found in the manner in which they have appropriated waste land for public purposes, assigned it in Enam, and derived Revenue from its natural

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products.

16 The rights of the State having been thus extensively exercised, and being founded on the Common principles of Society, Meerasidars ought to produce clear evidence in support of their claims before their title to the immemorial waste lands can be admitted to Supersede that of the Government, and this it appears to the Board they have failed to do. The Board concur in opinion with Sir Thomas Munro that the form in which Meerasidars sell their cultivated lands, is no proof that they have a propriety right in the waste and that such deeds passing between two private parties, and affecting property in which the State has admittedly an interest cannot have force against the Government

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who are no party to the deeds, and deny their validity. With respect also to the wording of the deeds the Board entirely concur with Sir Thomas Munro that it is a mere technical form, and confers no right of ownership, but only a title to participate in those rights of pasturage and common which Villagers every where claim within their limits to the exclusion of Strangers, and which Government allows to them as long as the waste is not wanted for cultivation or public purposes.

17 These claims to the waste are not confined to Meerasy Districts as Sir Thomas Munro correctly observes. They exist every where, and every where is there an attempt to convert this right of common into a right of ownership, as Remarked by the Board on a former occasion" there is a constant Struggle between the Officers of the Government and the people. the

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Government to maintain the prerogative and the revenue the people to lower the revenue and set up its own privileges. For instance in Canara Similar deeds are produced to support proprietary claims to the waste, and if these deeds were allowed, all those extensive and valuable forests, which now yield a considerable revenue would be lost to the State. If the rights claimed by the Meerasidars existed any where, they ought, Sir Thomas Munro remarked, to have been found in Canara where private property has been known for centuries in its most perfect form, that the immemorial waste has always there been claimed as the property of the State except when alienated by Government under Special Grants.

18 In illustration of the deeds which are executed by land holders when selling their

their lands the Board would point out that the formula is to include rivers, streams, roads, and birds of the air as well as lands both cultivated and waste with all their products. It is unnecessary therefore to dwell on the consequences which would arise if these deeds are admitted to convey any further right than an obsolete title to the assessed and occupied lands, and a share as respects the waste in those privileges of pasturage cutting fuel &c. which the land holders of a Village are every where permitted to enjoy.

19 The Board would now wish to call attention to the magnitude and extent of the interests at stake. Mr. Ellis states that the hereditary profession termed Meeraes which forms the subject of his replies exists in "all the Provinces under this Presidency the

the Northern Circars and the ceded Districts excepted". If therefore Mr. Ellis is correct, and the late Extract Minutes of Consultation refers to him as "the very best authority" the land holders have a claim to the immemorial waste in all the Districts from Nellore to Cape Comorin, and Government for 60 years past has been unjustly interfering with "their exclusive right of cutting firewood, working quarries &c.", and has appropriated lands and products to which they were not entitled.

20. The Board of Revenue need not observe that in this view they cannot concur, and they Consider that the just claims of Meerasidars are satisfied by allowing them the rights of pasturage and cutting fuel on the waste within their Villages and allowing them

Ref. Cons. 31st May 1830.

× The letter of Mr. Stokes acting Collector of Madras dated 11th May 1825 shows that some land taken for the Powder Mills by Government in 1803 was paid for but that it is doubtful whether that ground was immemorial waste Mr. Stokes gives other instances where the Meerasidars claim on unoccupied waste land was altogether rejected.

Ref. 2d Oct. 26

On 26th September 1826 Government sanctioned the purchase of some lands for the Palaveram Cantonment and Guindy Park, and in the list a few Cawnies of "immemorial waste" are entered Respecting this it is first to be observed that being in a Zemindary Government had no right to it and 2ndly that doubts appear whether it was in reality "immemorial waste" The Zemindar received remission of Peishcush for it at the same rates as for the cultivated land, and the Meerasidars apparently received payment for it as being land which "could not be alienated from them by the Zemindar" (See letter of Collector of Chingleput regarding some other lands obtained by Government for the same purpose dated 16th April 1825 P. 2) Now if this land was immemorial waste the Zemindar could have alienated it under Section 15 Regulation XXX of 1802.

Ref. 21st April 25

of opposition and delay when it wanted ground

them to occupy it for cultivation in preference to other applicants The Board are aware that the claims of the Meerasidars may seem supported by the fact that Government has occasionally × purchased pieces of unoccupied land from them, but the Board look on these cases as exceptional They occurred in or near the Presidency where land is of high value and where Government had an object in preventing

promptly for particular purposes. Such instances the Board conceive cannot weigh against the right to dispose of the waste and derive a revenue from it which Government has otherwise exercised for a long series of years in all the Meerasy Districts.

21. It may be occasionally expedient for Government to adopt a similar course hereafter, at least so far as to grant some × Compensation to the land holders of a Village when the waste land available for pasturage is small and they are put to inconvenience by Government occupying that land for public purposes. But when Government waives the strict exercise of its prerogative and acts in this manner, the Board consider that it should declaredly be from motives of grace and indulgence. The compensation granted to the Villagers for the loss of former privileges

× On this subject see the Remarks of Sir. T. Munro in 88 of his Minute quoted above.

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the Collector of North Arcot with Copy of the Board's letter to Government dated 23d April and of the Extract Minutes Consultation dated 24th April 1856.

*Inbcno: 15th May 1856- A after 1365

Bd No 1396

From the Secretary to Government

620

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

Directing the Commissary General to comply with the Board's Indent for Office Furniture

See No 1421 in Separate Volume

620-621

Order thereon

Bd No 1475

From the Secretary to Government A

622

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 30th April 1856

Communicating a Despatch from the Honorable Court dated 12th March 1856 No 2 relative to the Salt Department and its administration, and observing on the delay in the submission of the Board's Report on the transactions of that Department for fasly 1264

See No 440 in Separate Volume

622-623

Bd No 1473

Order thereon

Ordered that Copy of para 2 to 5 of the Courts Despatch be forwarded to the Collector of Madras for information.

Extract

Bd No 1518

From the Secretary to Government A

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 3d May 1856.

624

Returning for correction to the Collector of Coimbatore the Memorandum No 1 attached to his account current shewing the receipts and expenditure of the annamalay Forest

See No 247 in Separate Volume

624-625

Order thereon.

Ordered to be recorded.

A after Bd No 1539

From the Sec to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 7th May 1856.

626

Advertising to Boards Circulars respecting the substitution of French and Goa paper for that now used in the several Collectorates, and calling for certain information.

See No 467 in Separate Volume

626-627

Bd " No 1464

Order thereon,

Order'd to be communicated to all Collectors, who will furnish the information called for by Government A.

Extract

Bd No 1541

From the Secretary to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 7th May 1856.

628

Modification proposed in respect of the Boundaries of the Mission property at Saint Thomas's Mount ____ / See No 268 in Separate Volume /

628-629

Bd No 1465

Order thereon. Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Chingleput for information and guidance.

630

Bd No 1543

From the Secretary to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 7th May 1856.

Noticing the very tardy submission of the Coimbatore Kurnul and Chingleput Season Reports for the months of March and April 1856 and desiring the Board to enjoin greater punctuality hereafter ____ / See No 465 in Separate Volume /

630-631

Bd No 1462

Order thereon, Ordered that copies of the foregoing Extract Minutes Consultation be sent for the information of the Collectors of Coimbatore, Chingleput, and of the Assistant Government agent at Kurnool.

Extract

Bd No 1570

From the Secretary to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 8th May 1856

632

Sanctioning the Bills for the Articles purchased and prepared on account of the Revenue Survey under Captain Priestley, amounting to Rupees 514 — 10 — ____ / See No 473 in Separate Volume /

632-633

Order thereon. Ordered to be recorded.

634

Bd No 1587

From the Secretary to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Public Works Department dated 8th May 1856.

Communicating the orders of Government on a letter from the Chief Engineer regarding compensation to be paid for Zemindary Lands when taken up for public purposes ____ / See No 671 in Separate Volume /

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Bd No 1460

Order thereon. Ordered to be communicated to all Collectors for information and guidance.

Bd No 1600

From the Secty to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Public Works Department dated 9th May 1856.

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Placing at the disposal of the Chief Engineer the remaining 2 of the five Autographic Presses recently arrived from England, to be sent to the two Divisions where they may be most needed ____ See No 674 in Separate Volume

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Ordered that the following official Memorandum be sent in reply.

(636-637)

Bd No 1468

Memorandum

To the Secretary to Government. The Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor, with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation 9th May 1856, No 674 to inform the Revenue Secretary to Government that the 5 Lithographic Presses referred to in the Board's letter of the 21st April 1856, No 1718, were received at this office, that two were disposed of as reported, and that the remaining three are still on hand. As none of these Presses have as yet been sent to the Chief Engineer, the one said to have been broken in his office probably belongs to some other consignment.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St George,
15th May 1856.

/Signed/ G.S. Forbes
Secretary

No 32.

(638)

Bd No 1921.

From the Collector of Coimbatore.

To,
G.S. Forbes Esqr
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Board's Circular No 2264 dated 29th August 1855, directing me to furnish a Statement of Yemmahs in this District

as they stood on the 1st July 1855.

2 In reply I beg to state that there are no yemmahdars in this District, properly so called; the one who was transferred to this District from Trichinopoly under the orders of Government of the 31st May 1850, conveyed in the Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 10th June following, having died on the 11th June 1854. The pension paid to this individual, was debited in my accounts to the "Head "Pensions, and Charitable allowances chargeable on the Revenues," and since his death, there are no entries under this heading.

3 There are however some survivors of the former Poligars, who receive pensions from my Treasury, under the sanction of Government of the 10th April 1827, and the circumstances connected with these stipendiaries were fully reported to the Board by the former Collector Mr Sullivan in his letter of the 20th July 1826. their pension is debited to the Head "compensation in lieu of Resumed Lands offices and Previleges" and if the Board consider that these pensioners belong to the class designated "Yemmahdars", I shall be prepared

Vide letter from Board 13th augt 1827.

to

Fort St George 15th May 1856

to submit a Statement in the prescribed form.

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12th March 1856 } / Signed / C. B. Thomas
Collector

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.

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To The Collector of
Coimbatore.

Bt No 1198
To the Collector of Coimbatore } Sir

In reply to your letter dated 12th March last, stating that you will be prepared to forward a Statement according to the form prescribed in the Board's Circular Order of the 29th August last in the event of the Pensioners in your District being considered as included in the class designated yeomi-rahdars I am instructed by the Board to request that you will furnish the required Statement including the Poligar Pensioners alluded to in your letter.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St George
15th May 1856 } / Signed / G. L. Forbes
Secretary

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No 784

To The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.

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Bt No 981
From the Acting Sect. to Marine Board } Sir.

I have the honor by desire of the Marine Board to forward a Copy of the Circular referred to in Extract from the Minutes of Consultation No 54 dated 21st February 1856.

The Board desire me to state that, as soon as the replies to the Circular above alluded to have been received Copies of them will be forwarded for the Revenue Board's perusal.

Madras
Marine Board Office
20th March 1856 } / Signed / J. W. Thomson
Acting Secretary

Order thereon.

Ordered lie over.

(640-641)

To

No 133

To G.S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St George

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Bt No 1723
From the Collr of
Sea Customs Madras

Sir,

I have the honor with reference to Section 329 act 17 and 18 Vict. Cap: 104 respecting "dangerous goods being carried on Board without due notice" to state that great trouble and inconvenience is experienced by this Department with regard to the landing of Gunpowder Sulphuric acid congreves and other combustible matter Every precaution is taken in directing commanders of Vessels to give due notice of their landing in order that they may not be taken into the Custom House yard and stowed away among other valuable goods. this direction is seldom attend to, and when the Commanders are called upon for explanation the

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the excuse made invariably is that they were not aware that such articles were shipped in England or how they came on Board. I therefore request that you will move Government to draw the attention of the Home authorities to the section alluded to which requires they shall be distinctly marked on the outside or notice in writing given to the Master for an offence against the Law the party is liable for a fine of 100 £.

2 As however I see no provision for enforcing the Law at Madras, I respectfully request that the matter may be submitted to the Law Officers of Government as to whether evidence may not be obtained on the landing of these Packages which may be used in England to convict the parties who ship the articles clandestinely.

3 On a recent occasion a Master discovered, when at Sea, that he had Lucifer matches on Board the ship got into a Thunder storm was struck by lightning and the greatest trepidation occurred on

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on Board during the continuance of the storm. It appears the refinement of cruelty to place individuals in such a position on the Night Seat in a Gale of Wind.

Sea Custom House,
Madras,
12th April 1856

/Signed/ W. E. Underwood
Collector Sea Customs

Bd No 11,76.

Proceedings thereon

(642-643)

Resolved that a Copy of the foregoing letter be furnished to the Advocate General with a request that he will favor the Board with his opinion as to the course to be adopted in regards to articles landed at Madras in contravention of the provisions of Section 229 act 17 and 18 Victoria Cap. 104

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Read again letter from the Collector of Salem dated 18th entered in Cons: 24th April 1856.—

No. 50.

To

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

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A after
Bd No. 1446.
From the Collector
of Salem—
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letter of 24
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the information
therein called
for and sub-
mits draft to
of appeal
Petition in OS
9 & 26 of 1853

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 24th Instant, adverting to the reasons which induced the Government to sanction the defence of Suit No. 9 of 1853. on the file of the Sub Court of Salem, and requesting me to explain on what ground I stated in Para 9 of my letter dated the 18th Instant, that I could not find sufficient proof that the Plaintiffs consented to resign the land on the teerwah being remitted, or that they attended in person at the Summabandy in 1261, while in para 6 of my revised draft answer it is stated that 1st Plaintiff's husband and 2nd Plaintiff were well aware of the terms on which the Government demand was remitted, and that the former was present at the Summabandy of 1261, and accepted a Puttah, in which only the cultivated portion of his Nunjah land was entered

entered, and the 4 fields which form the subject of the suit were struck out.—

2 The Board also desire to know whether such a puttah was really accepted by the 1 Plaintiff's husband, and 2ndly whether the Vakeel employed in the defence took due means to nullify the evidence given by the Plaintiffs witnesses to the effect that there was no water in the tank in fusly 1261.—

3 The answer was first prepared by the Subcollector, Mr. W. E. Cochrane. The revised answer was drawn up on the information furnished by the original answer and the record of the different proceedings held in the matter.—

4 In regard to the 1st point to which the Board refer in the revised answer, Viz. that 1st Plaintiff's husband was present at the Summahbundy of 1261. a note is found in the margin of the Tukrar book for that year, stating

that this person was present.—

5. That the same person accepted a puttah in which only the cultivated portion was entered, is affirmed in the original answer. There is also a deposition given by the village Monigar before the Tahsildar, in which he states that a puttah for Rupees 12-8-7 the assessment on the land retained, No. 380, was given him by the Carcoon to be delivered to Coopah Moodely. and that he delivered accordingly. The alleged fact that the Puttah was delivered by Coopah Moodely rests on the evidence.—

6. In regard to the opinion expressed on the above points in my letter of the 18th Instant to state that my Head Sheristadar, who held the office of Sub Division Sheristadar in fusles 1261. and 1262. led me to believe that neither of the Plaintiffs was present at the Summahbundy

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I particularly questioned him on this points, and it was in consequence his reply stating, as I understood him, that the Plaintiffs were not present, that I thought it impossible to prove that consent was really given - I must now state that some mis-apprehension occurred on my part, or the Sheristadars, for he has just explained that he understood me to ask whether the Plaintiffs were present at the Summabundy for fusly 1262. I am sorry for the mistake, tho' I cannot admit that it arose from want of care on my part.—

7. In regard to the evidence of the 3 witnesses referred to in the Decree as declaring "that there was no water that year" I beg to submit translations of the deposition given by the 3 witnesses referred to The Board will thus be able to see what the evidence of those witnesses on the points in question amounted to. These witnesses seem in their depositions to refer to

to fusly 1261. as the year in which there was no water, but the Decree implies that there was no water in fusly 1262. for the Summak=-bundy referred to in the previous part of the sentence was the Summakbundy of that year.—

8. The Counter evidence to prove that there was water consisted, 1st of a Mahazurnamah, dated the 25th June 1853, in which the persons who signed it certify that 44-34-3 acres, out of a total ayacut of 67-8-13, were cultivated in 1261. that the land lying on 2 sides of the plots waste by the Plaintiffs was cultivated, and that on the remaining two sides there were 2 pieces on each side of which one was cultivated, and one not 2ndly the season report shewing how much water the tank received each month. and 3rdly the monthly cultivation account for

for the entire fusly - No witnesses were called to prove that there was water, but on this point it is open to remark that the 1st Defendant was not required in the "points" to furnish evidence on that part of the case.

9 It does not appear that the Government Vakeel offered to produce further evidence, with the view of disproving the statements made by the Plaintiffs witnesses re=garding the water; but the Board will observe that he cross questioned the Plaintiffs witnesses.—.

10 The explanation now given shews that I was in error on a material point. I believed that sufficient proof of consent was not forthcoming. On the ground that there is evidence from which such consent may be fairly presumed, a draft appeal in each suit Suit No. 9 and Suit No. 26, is now submitted for the Board's approval.—.

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11. It may still be said that the practice since intro=duced of requiring written Rajenamah is a proper precau=tion but it was not usual formerly to take such Documents, and, that being the case there is no reason why other than written evidence should not be admitted.—.

12. I continue of opinion that the chief, if not the only proper issue in suit No. 9 is the alleged consent. It is stated in the answer that the lands were given to the 1st Defendant under the provisions of clause 30 of the Hookoomnamah. so much of the clause as bear on the subject is given in the † margin. This sentence corresponds with

† When the assessment on land remains unpaid for one year or upwards, and which the Pattadar is unable to liquidate, if the land is cultivated by an under cultivator, it is

the Puttah may be made out in his name if he wishes it and if he pays the current balance which may be actually due on the lands. If he is either unable or unwilling to undertake the cultivation of the land it may then be given to another. Any ryot who for one year and has not paid the assessment due on it will not be allowed to reclaim his land if occupied by another.

the provisions of clause VII Section XXXIV Regulation XXVIII of 1802. It points to what may be done at the end of a year, when the ryot has failed to pay his rent.—

13. On this occasion the lands were given to another, before the year had expired The assessment was remitted on the 18th March, and the 1st Defendant applied for the lands the same day. It is therefore more correct to say that the Sub-Collector was supported by the practice of the District, than by any express sanction contained in the Hookoomnamah.—

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14. The proposed object in remitting the assessment at the Summahbundy while the year is still current is to keep the accounts as free as possible from arrears. The holder of a field having failed to cultivate it is unable to fulfil his engagement, and is excused on that ground. If he can show sufficient cause for his default, the land is not forfeited. If his default proceed from mere negligence and he is unable to pay the rent he is excused, but then his right in the land ceases.—

15. The Board has observed that the suit involves a principle of great importance. If a defaulting ryot will neither pay or give up his land, the best course is to sell it, or at least, to offer it for sale. In cases of default I do not think the Government interested requires that the Collector should have the power of arbitrarily transferring land to another person independent of the defaulter's consent. I am therefore unable to see that any important principle is involved in suit No. 9.—

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16 In suit No 26 the Plaintiffs claim suggests the question whether, when a defaulter's land has been transferred, not sold, a mortgagee may insist on having the land put up to sale with the view of ascertaining whether it will not fetch a price sufficient to satisfy both the Government lien and the private one.—

17 Such a right on the part of private creditors was recognized by the Court of Sudr Adalut in a decision passed on the 17th May 1832. If no precedent can be referred to in the case of Ryotwaree lands in support of this right it may be ascribed to the circumstance that a large proportion of Ryotwary lands have hitherto possessed a very small saleable value. As the justness of the principle can scarcely be denied, I would admit rather than dispute the right when it is so advanced, and would make some modification in the present practice, if it be found from experience that a Collector cannot duly transfer lands without [illegible] with the

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rights of persons who possess an interest in the land distinct from that of the defaulter.—

18 Experience has not yet established this point as suit No 26 is only the first or second I have met with, in which the Government claims to rent and the private claims of a Creditor have clashed. It may be supposed that the enquiries made at the Immanahbundy are in general sufficient to prevent such an occurrence.—

19 I beg to state that the two appeals have been drawn out in the mode prescribed by clauses 51. 52. of the new rules of Procedure.—

Salem Collector's Office
On Circuit. Adum Cottah
9th April 1856.

/Signed/ H. A. Brett.
Collector

Translation

Deposition given on solemn affirmation before the Subordinate Court of Salem on 9th September 1855 by Perea Obee Naick Son of Vencatta Naick residing at Calapully in the Trechengode Taluk of Veshnoo Sect and Shepherd caste and living by cultivation aged about 65 years on behalf of the Plaintiffs.—

2 What do you know in this suit? Did you

See

See the lands under dispute?

A. The lands under dispute are 4 plots assessed at 38 Rupees and odd. I do not know the names of the lands some four years ago, the name of the year not known, these lands were left waste by the 1st Plaintiffs husband, and 2d Plaintiff owing to want of water. In the year following it, the 1st Plaintiffs husband and the 2d Plaintiff gave the lands to Tursooram Naik of Callapully, and Veerasipa Naik for cultivation on Warum tenure. In the month of Vyasee of that year the tank received water, and Car Paddy was sown in the lands in that very month, and again in the Month of Maree also the car Paddy was sown. I saw these two crops when they were in ears and I thought at the time the Crop would amount to 80 Podies. I did not see the crops after they were thrashed. In the above year Paddy sold at 6 Rupees a Podie 40 Podies of the Produce should

be taken by the Plaintiff, but I do not know who took them. Nor do I know what Kists were paid by the 1st Plaintiffs husband, or by the Plaintiffs to any.—

2d Defendants Vakeels Questions.—

Q. How much more land is there under the tank irrigating the lands under dispute, than these lands in question. In what state were they in that year, In that year how much water was received into the tank and how long did the Supply last. Did the Warum Cultivators receive Puttahs, were you also present?

A. There are 12 Cheys of Nunjay land under this land of which 2 Cheys belong to the Plaintiffs and 1/4 Chey to me owing to want of water, there was no crop raised on my field. Other Ryots had well in their lands, and Cultivated portions of their holding. In the Month of Pertasy of that year

Same

Some 10 or 15 Days water came to the tank. There being no water afterwards lands were left bunjar. I do not know if the Puttahs were received by the Plaintiffs

Plaintiffs Vakil.—

2 Whose lands were also left waste under that tank?—

A. Lands belonging to Mootyalo Naik yelliah Naik, and Koospa Naick were left waste in the that year. I do not know what their extent is.—

Mark Parca Obee Nattan

/True Translation/

/Signed/ H. A. Brett

Collector

Translation.

No. 2

Translation of 2d Witness's Deposition on behalf of the Plaintiff.-

Deposition given on solemn affirmation before the Subordinate Court of Salem in September 1855 by Thetta Chetty, son of Ardanary Chetty residing at Mullasamoodrum in the Trichengode Talook of Seva Sect, and Chetty Caste, and living by trade, aged 45 years. On behalf of the Plaintiffs.-

2 Did you see the lands under dispute and what do you know regarding the suit.-

A I saw the lands I have some Nunjay lands under that tank some 4 or 5 years ago, the name of the year not known, the lands under dispute belonging to the Plaintiffs were left waste owing to want of water. In that year no crops were raised in those lands. In the next year these lands were cultivated by Purseram Naick and Veerappa and on my asking them they informed me that they took the lands on warum tenure from the Plaintiffs. They raised two Nunjay crops

crops in that year, and it struck me that they amounted to 80 Podies of grain I did not see what quantity of grain was produced nor who took it a Pody of Paddy sold in that year at 5 or 6 Rupees I did not see when the Plaintiffs paid their Kists.

2d Defendants Vakeel.

2 How much land is under that tank besides the lands under dispute what became of them in that year? How long did the water received by the tank in that year last?

A I do not know the exctent of the land that is under the tank Besides the lands under dispute there were under that tank the lands of some 10 more Ryots. The lands of Mootealoo Naick, Vee: :rappa Naick, Oby naick and Coopoo Naick were left uncultiv: vated. The other Ryots whose had wells cultivated their land partly from the water of the wells, and partly from the little water that was in the tank. as I stated before only fifteen

days water came to the tank and no more.-

(Signed) Thetta Chetty
(True Translation)
(Signed) H. A. Brett
Collector

No 3

3d Witness's deposition on be: half of the Plaintiffs.

Translation of a deposition given on solemn affirmation before the Sub Court of Salem on September 1855, by Chinna Mootialoo Naick son of Naguppa Naick residing at Mul: :lasamoodrum in the Trichengode Talook of Vishnoo Sectand Shepherd caste being by employment as Mo: :negar and by cultivation aged 50 years on behalf of the Plaintiffs.-

2 Do you know the lands under dispute? when were they waste & state any thing you know about them?

A. The above lands are under the small tank of Mullasamoodrum I do not know their names, I saw them they bear a teerwah of 38 Rupees and odd some four or five years ago,

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the name of the year not known, these lands were left waste owing to want of water. In the following year, the lands were given by the Plaintiffs on waram tenure to Parasoo Naick and Veeruppa Naick. I did not see when the Puttahs were given. In the month of Pungoony the tank received water of 2 months. They sowed Car Paddy in those lands and reaped the crops in Audy and again planted them in Peratasy with Samba Paddy plants, and this was reaped in the month of Tye. I do not know how much grain was produced but it struck me that it would amount to 80 Podies. I did not see who took the produce as I saw the crop only when it was growing. The 1st Plaintiffs Husband paid to me the amount of 3 kists Viz.t 15 Rupees for which I gave him my receipt at the time of the Summahbandy the 1st Plaintiff's husband

and the 2d Plaintiff stated their dispute regarding the Puttah before the Collector and the Head Sheristadar 2d Defendants Vakeel.

2 How much Punjah land is there under the tank besides the lands under dispute? In what state were those Punjah lands in the year in which the disputed lands are alleged to have been left waste. Did no water come to the tank?

A. The tank received no water at all in that year. Those that had the Assistance of wells cultivated some portions of their lands and all those that had none left their lands waste.

Q Under whose orders did you collect from the Plaintiffs the amount of kists? Did

Did any others pay their Cundaseyem besides the Plaintiffs, what did you do with the money paid by the 1st Plaintiff. Did you receive any orders on the subject from the Circar?

A. I was fined 2 Rupees by the Collector after enquiry for having received from the 1st Plaintiffs husband the amount that he had paid - The above sum was debited to the assessment due by the Plaintiff for another piece of land From thence the 1st Defendant has been paying the teerwah on the land

(Mark) Chinna Moatah naick

(True Translation)

(Signed) H. A. Brett

Encl. No. 4.

Translation of a Mahazur given by the inhabitants of Mullasamoodrum on the 25th June 1853 before Narrain Row Karcoon of Mangalum Sherka in the Trichenagode Taloot.

We are asked to give information as to the different sources of irrigation for the lands of Coopoo Moodelly and Namaswaya Moodelly, some numbers of which were left waste in Fusly 1261 and some cultivated and at what time in that Fusly the land received a supply of water.-

The Nunjay lands that formed the Putcut of Coopoo Moodely and Namaswaya for Fusly 1260 were five plots measuring 6-20-11- assessed 50-14-2. Of these land No. 380 called Coopoancuttay Nunjay in the bed of the small tank measuring 1-22.15. assessed at 12-8-7. was cultivated in Fusly 1261 and the remaining four entered as Dittum Bunjer, Viz.

			Extent	Assessment.
No. 381	Chinnavy Colvoy Nunjay		2-15-13-19-0	— 4.
No. 384	D.o	D.o Caroopun Coottay Nunjay	0-21-0-3-4	2-
No. 383	D.o	D.o Nunjay	0	7-15-1-7-8
No. 379	D.o	D.o Caroopen Coottay Nunjay	1-33-0-14-9	6.
			4-37-12-38-5	8-

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The above lands are under the small tank. The Ayacut under this tank is. 67-8-13 a. assessed at 71-6-2 p.

Portion cultivated in Fusly 1261. amounted to — 44-34-3 D°-375-3-3-

Uncultivated-22-14-10 " " 196-2-4-

The lands in question left waste in Fusly 1261 used to be irrigated both by the water of the small tank and by the Channel from the sluice of Cheetaly cottay. the extent of land irrigated by this Channel is 34-30-4-283-2-9. of which cultivated in Fusly 1861. are 26-21-14-221-7-8.

Bunjer in Fusly 1261. is 8.8-6-61-11-1.

When there is no water either in the small tank or the channel Cheetaly Cottay the channel receives water from the large tank and carries it to the lands above noticed.-

These tanks received water in Fusly 1261 from the Chittry season (April and May) in small quantities gradually so that there was no bar to cultivating the lands, and they received full supplies of water in the Month of Purtasy (September) and the surplus water was also let out. Ryots that had means cultivated their lands, and those that were deficient in means cultivated a portion of their lands, and left the remaining waste. That was

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was the cause why the lands noted above were left waste in Fusly 1261.-

Hereunder are given the lands (whether waste or cultivated) situated around the waste lands in question.-

On the East of the disputed lands-

Yellappa Naick Son of Pursaram Naick	No. 387 Nunjay under the Small tank.	1 n. F. 1261. 27-8-4-9-10-	uncultivated
Venkatacoopien	No. 385 Kenathadee Vayal Nunjay	1-28-14-7-11-3-	cultivated

On the western side

Coopoo Moodely Nanasevayen	No. 380 Chinnari Woolvoy Karoopen Cooley Nunjay	1-22-15-12-8-7-	Cultivated in F. 1261.
Mootaloo Naick	No. 376-377 Chinnari Woolvoy Nunjay.	1-29-1-11-1-9-	uncultivated

On the Southern Side.-

Chenna Veerappa Naick.	No. 372 Madagady Nunjay under the Sluice channel	1-"-9-9-12-5-	Cultivated
	No. 382 Caroopen Cutlay Nunjay.	"-17-12-3-8-11-	D°

On the Northern Side

Para say Mootaloo Naick	No. 385 Seerana Vyal Nunjay under the small tank	1-9-15-12-9-9-	Cultivated
	No. 378 Lotty Seerana Voyal Nunjay	19-"-3-13-8-	D°

We have stated the above facts of our own will.-

True Translation-

(Signed) P. A. Brett
Collector

(Signed) by Veerappa Naick and Seven others.

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Encr. No. 5.

Draft of an appeal Petition proposed to be presented to the Civil Court of Salem by H. A. Brett Esqre. Collector of Salem and 2d. Defendant in Original Suit No. 9 of 1853 on the file of the Subordinate Court of Salem against the Decree passed by the Acting Sub Judge on the 1st December 1855.-

This suit was brought by Coottyammal and Nanasevoya Moodely, of Calapatty in the Taloog of Trechengode, in the Zillah of Salem, to recover possession of 4 plots of Nunjay land (Malgoozary) producing annually Rupees 50, and Rupees 121-10-8 the alleged value of the produce in Fusly 1262.-

2. The Sub Judge adjudged to the Plaintiffs the land sued for, and the value of 20 Podies of grain, at 5 Rupees the Podie.-

3. The appellant objects to this decree.

First, because the Sub Judge had misapprehended the real point at issue between the Plaintiffs and the 2d. Defendant, which was whether, at the time of the the annual

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the annual Settlement for Fusly 1261, the assessment on the lands described in the plaint was remitted on the condition that the Plaintiffs resigned all further claims to the lands; and not whether the Plaintiffs sanctions in the succeeding year (Fusly 1262) offered to pay the arrears for Fusly 1261.-

2d. Because the 1st point which the Defendants were required to prove was not a proper issue, and is not expressed in intelligible terms.-

3d. Because the Sub Judge has passed no Judgment on the 3d. point given for the defendants to prove, Viz. that the 1st. Plaintiff's has and accepted the remission &c.-

4th. Because the Sub Judge has mistated the evidence of the 3d. 10th. and 11th. Witnesses in Para 3 of the Judgment, and it is not clearly expressed to what year's Jummabundy these Witnesses, and Witness No. 12 referred.

Because

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5th Because the application of the Court's remarks in Para 4 of the Judgment regarding the Plaintiff's deposition is not explained.-

6th Because the Sub Judge is in error in stating that the 2d Defendant's Statement relative to the payment of 13½ Rupees amounts to an admission in any degree favorable to the Plaintiff's claim.-

7th That the evidence does not prove that 20- Podies of grain were due to the Plaintiff, and.

Lastly that the Sub Judge was not justified in adjudging the costs to be paid by all the Defendants indiscriminately.

4. On these grounds the appellant prays that the Decree in the Original Suit may be reversed.-

(Signed) A. A. Brett.

Collector.-

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No. 6.

Draft of an Appeal Petition proposed to be presented to the Civil Court of Salem by A. A. Brett Esqre Collector of Salem and 4th Defendant in O.S. No. 26 of 1853 on the file of the Subordinate Court of Salem against the Decree passed by the Acting Sub-Judge on the 1st December 1855.-

This suit was brought by Arnachella Chetty of Coudypatty in the Trichengode Taloog to establish his right to 5 plots of Nunjah land (Malgoozary), producing Annually Rupees 50, on a deed of Mortgage said to have been executed in Plaintiff's favor by the 1st Defendant's husband and the 2d Defendant, with a right of foreclosure.-

2. The Sub Judge adjudged to the Plaintiff the property sued for with all costs of suit.-

3. The Appellant (4th Defendant) objects to this Decree.-

First because sufficient ground was shown by the 4th Defendant from transferring the lands in question at the Jummabundy for Fusly 1261 from the

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the 1st and 2nd Defendants to the 3d Defendant.

2nd Dy. Because the judgment of the Sub Judge is Contrary to the law, which provides that the land shall be regarded as the security for the public revenue.-

3rd Dy Because the reasoning in Para 2 of the judgment is so obscurely written that its precise meaning can not be ascertained.-

4th July Because the 4th Defendant was not justly responsible for costs incurred in enforcing a Mortgage claim against the Mortgagers viz. the 1st and 2d Defendants.-

4. On these grounds the 4th Defendant prays that the judgment of the lower Court may be reversed.-

(Signed) H. A. Brett

Collector

Resolved

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Bd. No. 11,67

Proceedings thereon

Submitting correspondence from the Collector of Salem relative to the decree passed in O.S. No. 9 of 1853 of the Sub Courts file with the Board's observations as to why it should be appealed against as well as the decision in suit No. 26 of 1853 which refers to the claims of a mortgagee to the lands under litigation in the former suit.-

(644-645)

Resolved that the foregoing correspondence be submitted for the Consideration and orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council with the following observations.-

2 Suit No. 9 of 1853 was originally brought for recovery of 4 piece of Nunjah land yielding an annual profit of 50 Rupees together with a well valued at 100 Rupees Also for the value of the produce of the lands for Fusly 1262 amounting to 100 Rupees.-

3 The lands in question were said to have been left waste in Fusly 1261 owing to the poverty of the holder though there was ample water for Cultivation The rent for that Fusly was therefore remitted on the consent of the puttadars that the lands should be given over to another party according to the practice of the District.-

4 In the subsequent suit these facts were denied by Plaintiffs They alleged that they did not Cultivate the lands in Fusly 1261 owing to a deficiency of water in the Tank that they were nevertheless willing to pay the Assessment but that they never consented to give up the lands.-

5 The decree was in favor of the Plaintiffs to

to the full extent of their demands and with costs.

6 In submitting this decision the Collector stated that although he was not satisfied with it in some parts yet he was of opinion that an appeal could not be sustained, as sufficient proof could not be found that the plaintiffs consented to give up the lands. The Board could not concur in the Collectors views. They pointed out the inconsistency of his Statements with those pleaded in the defence and called for explanation on the apparent discrepancies

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These he has afforded in his letter of the 29th April 1856 from which it will be seen that sufficient evidence is really available in proof of the plaintiffs

7 The Board are of opinion that the suit should be appealed. The proceedings of the Revenue authorities appear to have been in accordance with the Kootumnamah of the district and the principle involved is important. In fact the revenue practice of the whole country is called in question. The lands in dispute were neither cultivated nor the Cists paid. No cause was shewn for remissions and the

to another applicant made without remonstrance on the part of the Plaintiffs. The Board will therefore instruct the Collector if it meet with the approval of Government, to appeal against the decision of the subordinate Judge and file the draft plaint he has submitted.—

8 Suit No. 26 of 1853 refers to the claims of a Mortgagee to the lands under litigation in suit No. 9 of 1853. The decision in this case is also in favor of the Plaintiff and should be appealed against on the grounds stated above.—

9 The Board solicit an early reply as the appeal time will escpire on the 27th Instant.—

Read the following Papers

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B. of R. No. 1353
From the Collector
of Trichinopoly

No. 71

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

Sir

1 As directed by your Boards Order on Petition No. 738 of 1856 I have the honor to furnish further explanation than that afforded by an endorsement given by me to these Petitioners.

2 This dispute has arisen out of the fixing of the village boundaries prior to survey by Captain Priestley

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Priestley Petitioners claim 60 Cawnies of land within the limits of the Shrotriem Village Poodoopoliem—

3 This claim they urged before the Talook authorities in December 1855, and required that their Village, Auranore, as well as Poodoopoliem should be enclosed in one boundary, and as one village, as in the time of the Nawabs Government. But Petitioners were unable to support this claim either by enjoyment or document. And the Curnum of Auranore fully proved from his own Pymash accounts that, from time immemorial the Villages were distinct, and that the 60 Cawnies claimed belonged to the Shrotriem of Poodoopoliem—

4 A report was made to me accordingly and I passed an order on the 14th December 1855 adverse to the Petitioners, who have no claim whatever.

5 Petitioners also aver that lands of other Villages are encroached upon by the Shrotriem if that be true it will be discovered during the present Renewal survey.

Trichinopoly District
Voyalluy goodalore
Collectors Circuit Cutchery
21st April 1856

The Petition is returned
/ Signed / J. Bird
Collector

Proceedings

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Bd No. 1496

Proceedings thereon (646-647) Ordered that the following Endorsement be passed on Petition No. 738 of 1856.—

"The subject of Petitioners representation has been fully investigated by the Collector and the land claimed by them found to belong to the Shrotriemdar. The other matters will be disposed of when the survey is in progress."

No. 123

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

(648)

Bd No. 1438
From the Collector of Tinnevelly ---

Sir

As required in the orders of the Board of Revenue on Petition No. 3362 of 1855 herewith returned, I have the honor to forward by bangly the Proceedings held in the case of the dismissal of the Petitioner, and to transmit also 3 appeal Petitions with

Dated the 20th July 1855

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with their enclosures / copies of 3 sentences / passed upon him by the sub Collector under the provisions of Regulation IX of 1822 / addressed by him to my Predecessor against the decision above referred to.—

2 I take this opportunity of informing the Board that the charge against the 1st Defendant in these 3 Cases as well as in others formed the subject of my Predecessor's letter to you of 27th October 1855. These appeals were never brought to my notice as they ought to have been after my taking charge of the District on last November on enquiry that the papers were in the hands of the Sheristadar's Office

Tinnevelly Collectors Circuit Cutchery Trichendoor 23rd April 1856 Bd No 1495 Proceedings thereon (648-649)

/ Signed / J. Silver
Collector

The Board resolve to return the Proceedings in this case in order that the appeal may be disposed of in the first instance by the Collector.

2 The Board pro[ceed]

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

Bd No 1374

From the Chairman to the Chamber of Commerce

Communicating the views of the Chamber on the Prize Goods now forwarded thereby relating to the subject of the Provincial Exhibitions.

Sir,

I have the honor by desire of the Chamber of Commerce to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 16th February last, forwarding copies of the Prize Lists, and of the Board's Circular Orders on the subject of Provincial Exhibitions in twelve of the Districts of this Presidency, and soliciting the co-operation of the chamber in turning the issue of these Exhibitions to practical account.—

2 The chamber desire to express their concurrence in the view of the Board, that, speaking generally, these periodical Exhibitions in the Provinces are calculated to further the Interests of the country, and to be of essential value in the development of commercial products, and, to add, that they will feel great satisfaction in co-operating in every way that they advantageously can, to bring about these desirable results. The Chamber would have been glad of an opportunity of giving their opinion in respect of the practical detail of these Exhibitions; as they cannot help fearing that some of the features of the scheme a[dopted]

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will be found imperfectly calculated to secure the object in view. They will, however, now submit to the Board the considerations which have suggested themselves on a review of the papers which accompanied your letter now under reply:—

3 They acknowledge the liberality of Government in the large sum that has been made available for these Exhibitions, and their only desire in the following remarks is to promote an examination of the mode in which this may be the most beneficially appropriated. What first strikes the Chamber then as a defect in the scheme of rewards, is the limited quantity of each article / commercial / that is made to suffice to secure the Prize, often of considerable amount. They are of opinion that no Prize should be given save for a large quantity of the article, the object being to ensure that the sample tendered represents a product grown, or a fair Manufacture either designed or fitted for the Market, and is not the result of some forced growth, or elaborate and multiplied Manufacture, at a cost that

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leave the article a Marketable one in the proper sense of the term. It appears to them that an obvious value would attach to this condition. If the article be a new one there is the assurance of its being really introduced into the Country; if an improved Manufacture, the result obtained encourages its general adoption. But it will be found in the Lists that Prizes of 100 Rupees are offered for 25 lbs of Sugar, / Cuddapah / for 25 lbs of Indigo, for ½ a Candy of Cotton, and in Tanjore for only 25 lbs, or one Maund of that staple. The Chamber cannot but apprehend that such a system of rewards may fail in producing any useful consequences, beyond what is reaped by the Exhibitor.

4 It next suggests itself to the Chamber that the articles enumerated in certain District lists are too indiscriminate. They think that the peculiarities of soil and climate viewed in their adaptation to the growth of particular articles should be carefully considered and a selection made accordingly, in apportioning prizes, and thus stimulating useful cultivation. The temptation of the Prize might induce experiments

experiments in bringing forward particular articles, which might prove the best of the Kind produced in that District; but if the quality did not admit of a competition in the Market with what was grown elsewhere, it becomes a question whether the stimulus imparted by the reward is not an unhealthy one and ill-calculated to produce a useful result. The Chamber observe that Prizes are commonly given for cereals. But can there be a real competition for these unless the competitors grow under similar circumstances of soil, of facilities of irrigation and so forth. Then indeed a Prize for a superior grain might lead to improved cultivation, or the introduction of foreign seed (that great desideratum all over Southern India) but there can be little or no real rivalry between the man who grows his grain on superior and the other whose husbandry is practised on inferior land. This is a part from the question of introducing new varieties or extending the cultivation of what has been hitherto sparingly introduced.

5. With regard to

Oils, the Chamber think it essential that the Exhibitor should be bound to communicate both his process of preparation and its expense; without this a useful practical result cannot well be looked for, the one object being to further an extended Manufacture for the general Market.

6 An improvement of the breed of cattle throughout Southern India is unquestionably a great desideratum, but the Chamber cannot avoid entertaining doubts as to its successful accomplishment by means of Prizes. A similar attempt was made some years ago at Madras by the Agricultural Horticultural society, under the auspices of Government, and it proved a failure. The Chamber are disposed to think that if the large sum devoted to this class of Prizes were laid out in the provision of a number of superior Bulls, and that these were distributed amongst the Talooks for general service, it would prove the best means of securing a rapid and extended improvement of the breed of cattle generally. The practice is said to have very beneficial results in the North West Provinces

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Provinces, cattle owners taking eager advantage of the "Parish Bull", but whether the animal is provided by the Government or private individuals the Chamber are not informed.

7. Indian Fibres occupy a prominent place in these Exhibition Lists, being called for from almost every district, but the quantity is generally unmentioned and at the utmost does not exceed 2 Maunds, in any case. The restoration of Peace will not remove the interest felt in ascertaining the true value of many Indian Fibres, though it will diminish their value to that standard, which, with many varieties, has been the real cause of their taking no place amongst the staple articles of commerce. One great cause however of their relative value not being properly defined, consists in the unacquaintance by those parties who have made experiments, of the proper or mode of preparing the fibres for the home market. The Chamber do not pretend to say that the Prizes offered for Fibres will not have a certain useful effect in teaching the

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Plants are indigenous to districts, but the relative values of these must be tested in respect of their strength in a way local Committees will scarcely be able to command, and even that information will be of no practical utility unless it be ascertained at the same time, what it costs, in ordinary cultivation, to produce a given quantity of the Fibre and what up to the last is the expense of its preparation. It appears to them therefore that if from the sums proposed to be annually awarded as Prizes in this class, a certain proportion could be set aside for the purpose of bringing out to the country a man both practically and scientifically acquainted with the separation and preparation of Fibres, the direction of his services to a series of practical experiments upon the capabilities of the various Fibres of this Presidency, would be the surest way of speedily arriving at that Knowledge, which it is of the most value that we should possess. When the relative value of the articles, as in a state of actual preparation

preparation for the market, is known the simple calculation remains to be made of whether this will suffice to remunerate its cultivation. If it will, then Prizes will encourage production and improvement. If it will not, then Prizes offered can have no practical value, but rather the reverse.—

8 There is another consideration that presents itself to the chamber, but it refers to the Exhibitions in the abstract. It needs not to be said that being held in the chief Town of a Province they are as a matter of course more accessible than were the former shews that were restricted to Madras. But it seems a question whether they are not still too far beyond the reach of the bulk of cultivators who live from hand to mouth, and who therefore, especially from the remoter parts of a district, could not leave their Villages for some days without exposing their families to a certain amount of want; and could neither afford to be without the money return of their produce during the interval

the Exhibition. A remedy may however, they think be found for this in the institution of local Punchayets under the Presidence of the chief Government Officer on the spot. The duty might be given to this Punchayet of receiving articles tendered by competetors for the Prizes, of selecting /such always being of a certain standard of quality/ and then paying to the cultivator at once the ordinary local market value of his article. These specimens should then be sent forward to the Committee at the chief Town, where the Prizes will be decided, after which the specimens should be sold, and the surplus, if any, over cost and charges be caused to be paid to the particular cultivator at his Village, and of course the succesful candidate would in this way receive both his Prize and the full value of his article, without incurring the inconvenience of delay or expense of a Journey.—

9 Having offered the foregoing remarks

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remarks the Chamber will only further express again their entire willingness to co-operate with the Board in whatever may tend to give to these Provincial Exhibitions useful practical results, and to this end they will be happy to receive any Prize articles of novel or striking importance that the Board may consider to merit the attention of the Mercantile Community and to report upon them after a due examination, or to act in any other way that might contribute to promote the valuable objects that have been held in contemplation by the Government.—

Chamber of Commerce
Madras 26th April 1856 } /Signed/ J. Ouchterlony
Chairman

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Order thereon
MR

Ordered to be recorded.—

To

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No. 23

To

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

(652)

Bd. No. 1562
From the Coll.r of Rajahmundry }

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue of the 8th Instant and in reply to forward copy of a letter from my Acting Sub Collector transmitting specimens of the work performed by the small Press under his charge. You will observe that Mr. Robinson is most anxious the press should remain at Nursapore, and I trust the Board may be able to comply with his request.—

Rajahmundry District.
Collectors Office.
Bendamoorlunka 29th April 1856 } /Signed/ A. Purvis
Collector.

Enclosure No. 1

No. 57

To The Collector of Rajahmundry

Sir,

With reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue No. 1019 dated

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dated 8th April directing that the Nursapoor Press be kept at the station, pending further Orders, and that specimens be furnished of the work it is capable of performing, I have the honor to submit as an appendix, copies of the printed matters published here. Many Orders, translations, and forms have been and are now being constantly issued from it, I would refer to Mr Taylor's letters noted in the Margin to show how useful this Press has been in support of my earnest recommendation that all thought of removing this small but most useful Press may be abandoned. I should consider it a sad loss, when so much is being done to advance education &c to lose this most useful and necessary aid.

†dated 30th April 1855 to the Coll.r From Coll.r to the Secry of the Bd of Revr dated 22d May 1855.

Rajahmundry
District Nursapoor
18th April 1856

/Signed/ W. Robinson
Asst Sub Collector

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List of Printed Papers forwarded

Department	No.	Subjects	No. of Copies
English		The Board of Revenue have before them Mr Taylor's Joint Village system report /not sent/	18
Revenue	2	Notification respecting the practice of Torture	100
Miscellaneous	8	Proceedings of the Museum Meeting of 18th October 1854	200
	15	Notice for the despatch of over land Mails hence to Madras for transmission to Suez by Steamer	100
Accounts	21	Teerwajaste settlements	700
	24	Statement of actual collection &c from Fs 1230 to 1263 inclusive /33/ Pages	100
Educational Telugu Translation &c	37	Elementary treatise on land surveying for the use of the curnums &c	200
Magistrate	3	Circular of the Extracts from a letter of the Court of Directors, dated 12th September 1855 No 14 respecting alleged cases of maltreatment	50
Revenue	7	" from the Proceedings of the Board of Rev: dated 9th January 1856 shewing the relative duties of the Collectors and Civil Engineer	50
Miscellaneous	26	notice of the Exhibition held at Rajahmundry on the 25th February 1856	500
	27	" for a large fair at Rajahmundry held on the 8th March 1855	500
Accounts	30	Monthly price Current of grain &c	600
	33	Report of Capel examn	200

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Department	No.	Subjects	No. of Copies
Educational	43	Five days Collections report	1200
	58	Rules for Village Schools	500
	60	Peoples Magazine No. 11 Pages 164	1000
	61	" No. 12 Do 166	1500
	62	" No. 13 Do 184	1500
	63	Telugoo Lesson Book No. 1 Do 134	3000
	64	A Series of Telugoo Morals Do 18	500
	65	Telugoo Grammar in prose part I Do 38	1100
Telugoo animal stories	4	Specimens of those struck off on the Autographic Press. Ass	150
	6	Horse	150
		Hare	100
		Trees	150
	15	Elephant	300
Description	17	Polar Bear	300
	18	Camel	300
Maps	20	Maps of India Large	1000
	21	" of Asia	1000
	22	" of Europe	1000
	25	Geometrical Diagrams and Phases of the Moon	1000
		N.B. Of private Autographic Press is likewise in operation from which have been struck off many forms and educational translations &c as above shown.	8

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Order thereon

True Copy

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No. 88

To

G. S. Forbes Esqr.

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort Saint George

Bd. No. 1160

From the Collector of Nellore

Sir,

Reporting on Petitions from D. Mookonda pannah late Peishkar of Atmakoor regarding his dismissal from Office.

Nos. 3901 3395, 3396 and 3439 of 1855

With reference to the Board's Endorsement on the Petitions noted in the Margin, herewith returned,

Vide Return under Regulation IX of 1822 for July 1855.

I have the honor to report that the causes of Petitioner's dismissal from the Office of Peishkar of Atmakoor are setforth in the late Acting Collector's decision in a case tried under Regulation IX of 1822, in which the Curnums and other Village officers of Atmakoor in Sungum Talook not including however the Petitioner, where charged with having levied Extra and unauthorized Collections; fraudulently misappropriated a sum of money out of the Government Collections, and with conniving and presenting false accounts regarding the cultivation of certain lands-

2 The first charge in which the Acting Collector supposed Petitioner to be implicated was that of Keeping back the collections till after the remittance had been sent, and a charge preferred he states his opinion in these words-

3 The Peishkar also denies any Knowledge soever but this also appears to be

very unlikely to be true -

4 The 2d charge in which Petitioner was supposed to be implicated is described as a total fraudulently caused loss to Circar of Rupees 133-10-5 of which Rupees 70-8 had been actually and under false representations deducted from various puttahs, under the head of Fasul Cumvy - Raggy, Warree &c having proved to have been really grown, and what is more produced well, where Jonna was declared to have been cultivated Rupees "42-4" was the amount of certain altogether concealed cultivation - Rupees 6-6 declared to be "Punjer" and deducted as such but actually cultivated - Rupees 4-5 reported to be and allowed for as inundated and lost, but proved not to have been so at all - and Rupees 6-9 concealed "Fusul Sastee"

5 On which the Acting Collector states as follows: "The Peish Kar, the Circar servant whose direct and positive duty and office it was to supervise the procedure and measurements of the Village subordinates altogether failed to do so - or doing it, / as there seems full r

party to the fraud."

"His statement on the subject is altogether unsatisfactory - in addition to which he originally distinctly affirmed to the acting Collector personally / before he had any notion that such strict investigation would occur / that to his positive personal Knowledge Jonna alone was cultivated upon the whole breadth so entered in the accounts."

6 Mr. Ratliff declares that the Peishkar / Petitioner / has shewn himself unworthy of any confidence soever, and removed him under his general revenue authority.

7 The only point in Petitioner's favor in connection with his dismissal that I am aware of, is one alluded to in his Petition noted in the Margin, herewith returned.

A. 3439 of 1855 addressed to the Collr.

8 Petitioner states that since he was appointed to the place he had sent 8 letters to the Tahsildar, and 3 Petitions to the Collector informing them of the irregularities in the Village I thought it necessary to enquire into this allegation and find that he did on several occasions previous to the charge in connection with which he was dismissed, address Arzees to the Collector and

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and letters to the Tahsildar, reporting the bad conduct of the Cirnums of Atmakoor

9 On this ground I consider that some indulgence should be shown him, and propose with the Sanction of the Board, reappointing him for as he is rather old appointing his son instead on the first opportunity of a Peishkar's situation becoming vacant-

Nellore Collectors Office 30th April 1856 } / Signed F. B Elton Collector

Bd. No. 1192

Proceedings thereon

(654-655)

The Board approve of the Collectors proposal to appoint Petitioners son as a Peishkar on the first occurrence of a vacancy-

2 The Collector will intimate his intention to Petitioner in reply to his Petitions which are returned for delivery

No. 14

To

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

(656)

Bd. No. 1675
From the Collector of Bellary

Sir,

I have the honor with reference to my letter of the 11th February last No. 11 soliciting the Board's

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Ferry Rents whether they are to be sold for Five years or to be abolished according to the spirit of the order of Government dated 1st June 1855, to request you will at an early opportunity obtain the instructions of the Board on the subject as the time for renting the River Tolls is drawing near

Bellary Collectors Office
Ramandroog 2d May 1856 } / Signed C. Pelly Collector

Order thereon

(656-657)

Ordered to be recorded - a reply having been sent to the Collectors former reference under date 2d May 1856

No. 92

To

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

(658)

Bd. No. 1513
From the Collector of Nellore

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 26th Ultimo No. 1250, and to state in reply that as "storing and thatching" are operations effected by the manufacturers themselves, at their own expense, in this District, the Column in question is left blank in the Statement lately furnished

Nellore Collectors Office
3d May 1856 } / Signed F. B. Elton Collector

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Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded

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To

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

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Rd. No. 1560
From the Collector of Chingleput.

Sir

The estimate of charges for additional establishments for Fusly 1265 submitted to your Office from this Department under Date the 19th September last not having been as yet sanctioned by the Board, and the manufacture of Salt being now in progress in this District I have the honor to request immediate sanction for the entertainment of the Servants noted in the margin + in view to prevent smuggling, and securing the Public Revenue derivable from this source

+ 3 Pycondas
4 Tindalars
42 Peons

Chingleput District
Collector's Cutcherry
Sydapet 8th May 1856

/Signed C. I. Shubrick
Collector

Rd. No. 1459
Proceedings thereon
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The Board observe that the sanction of Government to the Extra Establishment alluded to in the foregoing letter was communicated to the Collector on the 8th May 1856.

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No. 85

To

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

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Rd. No. 1591
From the Collector of South Arcot

Sir

I have the honor to submit an Advertisement in the prescribed form, for the sale of lands belonging to certain Defaulters in the Talook of Chellumbrum and to request that you will be so good as to obtain the sanction of the Board for the disposal of a sufficient quantity of land to cover the amount outstanding against them.

South Arcot Collector's Cutcherry, Cuddalore
8th May 1856

/Signed A. Hall
Collector

Rd. No. 1469
Order thereon
662-663

Ordered that the Advertisement which accompanies the foregoing letter be returned to the Collector, who will be pleased to have the proportion of the Assessment due for the current Fusly only entered in Column 9.

2 It is observed that the total amount of the assessment is stated to the

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Rupees 38–1 – and the portion of it payable for the current year is set down as more than the whole. The Collector's attention is called to the Board's Circular Order dated 29th October 1853 No 2878 which was issued to prevent the occurrence of errors of the description noticed.

To

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

664

Bs No 1631
From the Collector of Trichinopoly

No 78

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt on the 31st ultimo of your Board's Circular No 1165 dated the 18th idem and to beg to submit the information called for in respect to the Demand Collection and Balance Statements.

Para 1

2. The Statements in question do actually represent the transactions of the month for which they are due, and contain the Demand and Collection from the 1st to the end of such month for which furnished, with the balance of that preceding incorporated in the Demand.

Para 2

3 The Balance of the preceding month for the Fasly current, is added to the first demand of the month represented, and thus the total Demand is exhibited. The Collections at the Kuzzoor are to the last date of the month while those at each Talook Treasury are entered up to the date of the remittance

Occasionally Collections subsequent to the despatch of the remittances are reported from the Talook, but it is not usual to enter the amounts in Collection in the Statements until the money is actually received into the Kuzzoor Treasury. Hence these subsequent Collections of the last days of preceding month will come into the Collections of the following month and be exhibited accordingly.

Para 3

4 If the accounts are to be arranged as here suggested from the reason why the Demand Collection and Balance Statement should not be despatched by the 5th of each month. The remittances here relative to Talooks before the 28th or 29th of the month and the subsequent Collections are not likely to be either frequent or great.

Para 4

5 Of course, all sums obtained from the Ryots but still in the custody of the Village Officers are not considered as Collections rendered and of consequence are not brought to account.

Trichinopoly District Jahmundasholapooram,
Collector's Circuit Cutcherry 9th May 1856 ... } /Signed/ J. Bird
Collector

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Order thereon.

Order

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No 115

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

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Bs No 1632
From the Collector of Tinnevelly

Sir

As directed in your letter of the 24th Ultimo I have the honor to transmit a revised Statement A of Salt wastage for Fasly 1264, prepared in the new form No 4 of the accounts lately ordered by Government.

Tinnevelly Collectors Circuit Cutcherry Trichendoor 9th May 1856

/Signed/ J. Silver
Collector

Statement A

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No 1.

Statement shewing the particulars of wastages of Salt in the District of Tinnevelly in Fusly 1264.

1 Names of the Divisions	2 Fusly in which Stored	3 No of heaps stored in which wastage removed.	4 Contents of the heaps when Stored		5 Contents of the heaps when Sold		6 Wastages		7 Centages of the wastages on Column 4.			8 Value of the wastages Salt at the prime Cost.			9 Value of the wastages Salt at the Farm Yearly Price.			10 Percentages of wastages per cent: as allowed by the Collectors
			Candies	S	Candies	S	Candies	S	Candies	S	G	Rs	a	P	Rs	A	P	
Veypaur	1263	12	11.200	-	11.110	8	259	32	1	32	2 1/4	21	10	5	259	12	10	2 1/2
Tenjumalum	1263	23	27.600	-	27.071	28	528	12	1	36	9 1/16	44	-	5	528	4	10	2 1/2
Arasady	Do	12	11.100	-	11.201	28	198	12	1	15	1 5/16	16	8	5	198	4	9	2 1/2
Tutacorin	Do	21	25.200	.	24.229	20	970	20	3	34	3/4	80	12	.	970	8	..	2 1/2
Palyacad	Do	25	30000	-	29.178	36	821	4	2	29	7 1/16	68	6	9	821	1	7	2 1/2
Eilpatam	1263	36	43154	4	42.201	..	953	4	2	8	17/16	79	6	10	953	1	7	2 1/2
	1264	40	48045	36	47342	28	703	8	1	18	8 1/16	58	9	7	703	3	3	2 1/2
Total	..	76	91.200	..	89.543	28	1656	12	1	32	10 5/16	138	.	5	1656	4	10	
Coolasagurapatam	1263	2	2.400	..	2352	..	48	..	2	..	..	4	..	..	48	..	..	2 1/2
	1264	2	2.400	..	2346	22	53	16	2	9	-	4	7	2	53	6	5	2 1/2
Total	..	4	4.800	-	4698	22	101	16	2	4	8	8	7	2	101	6	5	
Vaziapathy	1263	2	2.400	..	2311	20	88	20	3	27	8	7	6	..	88	8	..	2 1/2
	1264	2	2187	24	2135	10	52	14	2	17	10 5/16	4	5	9	52	5	7	2 1/2
Total	..	4	4587	24	4446	30	140	34	3	2	12 13/16	11	11	9	140	13	7	
Coottungaly	1263	2	2.400	..	2267	28	132	12	5	20	8	11	.	5	132	4	9	2 1/2
	1264	7	7.907	4	7613	4	294	..	3	28	11 7/8	24	8	..	294	..	.	2 1/2
Total	..	9	10.307	4	9880	32	426	12	4	5	7 1/16	35	8	5	426	4	9	
Total	1263	135	164954	4	157954	8	3999	36	2	18	15/16	333	5	3	3999	14	4	
	1264	51	60.520	24	59.437	26	1102	38	1	33	-	91	14	6	1102	15	3	
Grand Total	..	186	222494	28	217391	34	5102	34	2	11	11 7/16	425	3	9	5102	13	7	

N.B. No Salt was sold in heaps

Tinnevelly Collectors Circuit Cutcherry Tuticorin 9th May 1856 E E P/ Signed/ J. Silver Collector

(666-667)
Order thereon.

To lie over.
No 139.

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

(668)
Bd No 1644
From the Collector of Tanjore

Sir,

Para 1 I have the honor to reply to an extract from the proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated the 13th of March No 753.

2 It has been customary in Tanjore that a detayet from the Collectors Establishment should attend upon the Civil engineer but to no other officer of the department have detayets or peons been allowed. It is not possible for me to say what number of peons may have been employed on an average in Maramut work, because the Subadars are so hard pressed to get through their multifarious duties that they have seldom peons to spare exclusively for Maramut work all earth work here is performed by the Meerasdars. they engage to do a certain quantity of work with their own laborers deviding it among

them selves according to the holding of each, and receive credit in account when the work may have been finished and measured. for work performed in the manner peons are not required.

3 Masonry works are not thus performed and to overlook the workmen peons are always employed but the taluk establishments are so inadequate to supply the number required, that each year a large Dungarry establishment is entertained, and is charged in the Maramut bills.

4 In 1854 and 1855 the following temporary servants were entertained in aid of the regular establishment

	1854 No.	Cost Rs	1855 No.	Cost Rs
Peons	210	2,232	209	2565
Amenahs	34	795	38	1476
Curnum	26	475	27	933
Cavelgars	24	517	27	629
Maistries	20	1185	26	1137
Manegars	11	243	4	187
Goomastah	9	538	13	806
Over Seers	"	"	6	1211

with

with the other servants whose pay brings the total for the one year up to Rupees 6524, and for the other to Rupees 11810 But even this does not represent the whole, for on any work that may require such superintendance, the most active of the coolies are employed as overseers of the rest on a small addition to their pay and thus perform the duty that would naturally fall to peons.

5 In all matters connected with Maraimat, Tanjore must have separate consideration the establishment of peons is not larger that that of other districts, while the Maraimat works are far in excess of any of late years upwards of 1000 separate works have been done within the twelve months and the whole force of peons does not exceed 266.

6. The Puttamanegars are of very little use in collecting the revenue and it is chiefly done by the peons and when the duty of the Puttamanegars is considered it will be admitted that this duty alone is sufficient to take all their energies.

7 The peons here are never employed in going to the Huzzoor for money the talook remittances are escorted by a party of the pensioned Sepoys who guard the talook treasuries, and on their return they take back the servants pay and any money that may have been ordered for Maraimat.

8. The Board will not I hope suppose that I am unwilling to consider the question in the frank and full manner that is desired by the Government. I have shewn them that only last year a temporary establishment costing nearly 12000 Rupees was entertained, because the regular servants of the district were insufficient to overlook the Maraimats. I have shewn them that the number of separate works performed in a year is a third more than the whole number of peons on the Establishment, and I have reminded them that upwards of 50 lacs of Rupees have annually to be collected.

9. From the Tahsildars there is one constant general call for more peons and in Tritrapoondy especially the need has been so palpable that in my unwillingness to ask for any increase of force, I have been obliged to take two peons from each of the other talooks and to send them to Tritrapoondy.

10 I do not think that the establishment of peons can be reduced without sacrificing the regularity of the collections.

Tanjore
Trangulam, 10th May 1856 } (Signed) W. Forbes
Collector

Order thereon,

Ordered to lie over

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Resolved that the following letters be despatched.

Statement

8069

Fort St George 15th May 1856

1092 Ganjam 2d In Cane 14th May 1856	A General fall over all the district at the close of the months.	The agricultural operations for the ensuing fasly have Commenced - The dry Crops Gingily seeds and the grains are being housed where such has not already been done - Sugar Cane has been cut and Crushed, and Jaggery is ready for sale in many localities Cotton is not grown in any great quantities — The thirdries Crop and the gardens generally speaking have improved on the rain that has fallen will cause the outturn of the former to be good, This is of great Consequence as it is to this Crop that the Ryots took for their subsistence during the Monsoon —	Stationary	Stationery not inclined to fall -
1093 Canara 6th In Cane 14th May 1856	Rain fell during the months in almost all the Talooks -		Stationary	not included to fall -
1094 Tinnevelly 7th in Cane 13th May 1856	Rain fell during this months -	The Rice Crops have already been mostly Reaped - The late Crops are to be planted to a small extent - The dry late Crops which still Remain on the grounds are promising. Lands have been partly prepared for the Cane Cultivation —	Height	A quantity of Rice and Paddy has been exported to Travancore during this months -

8071 Fort St. George 15th May 1850

No.

(671)

To The Secretary to
Government
Revenue Department

B.R. 17th May 1850

To The Secy to Government

Sir,

The Board of Revenue have observed from the Reported Debates of Parliament that allusion has been made by Lord Abbermal in the House of Lords to a case in which an order issued by the Collector of Chinglepet is stated to have led to the use of Torture by the Tahsildar of the Peddapollium Taluk in the Collection of the Moturpha tax and that the House of Lords agreed to Lord abbermales Motion that all the papers connected with the case should be laid before it -

In anticipation therefore of the orders of Government the Board have instructed me to submit the papers in the case on their Records for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council -

To Chinglepat 18 March 1850
Rd 15 March in Ct 10 April "
Dd Ct 10 April "
Rd 18 April in Ct 2 May "
Dd Ct 2 May "

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
15th May 1850

(Signed) G.S. Forbes
Secretary

8070 Fort St. George 15th May 1850

To the Collr of Chingleput

Sir,

With reference to the Correspondence ending with your letter dated 18th March last on the subject of the Petition of Ramasawmy Naick and Bengal Naick Inhabitants of Peddapollium Village, I am directed to transmit herewith a Petition addressed to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council by the Petitioners, praying that the Petitioners may be exempted from the payment of the Moturpha tax and that the Tahsildar may be called upon to explain the circumstances under which he is stated to have caused the Petitioners to be tortured.

2. The Petitioners are doing Puttah cultivation and the Board request that you will report whether the Petitioners have paid the Moturpha tax for the present year and if not the reason of the delay in the payment.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
15th May 1850

(Signed) G.S. Forbes
Secretary

1101 Bellary
7th Inst Cons 11 May
1850

Very little Correspondence

Board of Revenue
Fort St. George
15th May 1850

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To the Collector of Bellary

Sir

To the Collector of Bellary Madura and Tinnevelly

The Board regret to have to notice the delay which has occurred in the transmission of your Season Report for the Months of April 1856. The Government having particularly enjoined punctuality in the despatch of these Reports as being essential to their usefulness it is hoped that your attention will be given to this particular in future -

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
15th May 1856

/ Signed / G. S. Forbes
Secretary

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To The Collector of Madras

Sir

To the Collr. of Madras

In the Remarks on items Nos. 1 & 2 of the Statement of Charges incurred without Estimate for July 1264 it is stated that there was an increase of 900 Garces above the previous July. From the Statement

From Madras dated 1st July 55 Inc. 18th April 1856 No. 876.

To Bellary 7 inc. 15 May 1856 No. 1101
" Madura 4 inc. 13 Ditto No.
" Tinnevelly 4 inc. 14 May No. 1045.

July	Manufactured at Madras Pans	Recd from Chingleput	Recd from Nellore	Total	entered in the margin* it however appears that the manufacture was less by 1188 Garces than that of July 1263 and that the Receipts
1263	730375	150721	111034	992130	
1264	587770	318412	-	906182	

* See also Remarks on item 13.

exceeded those of the former year by only 465 Garces. It is therefore not apparent how the increase of 900 occurred and I am directed to Request that you will furnish the necessary explanation as early as practicable to enable the Board to submit the Charges for the sanction of Government -

Dated 1st July 1853 2
Desp. 12th March 1856

The Board Request the Collector's attention to the apparently unnecessary practice of antedating these Statements -

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
15th May 1856

/ Signed / G. S. Forbes
Secretary

B. R. No. 1470

Official Memorandum -

To the Collector of Sea Customs Madras

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The Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to Request that the Collector of Sea Customs will Return to this Office the Testimonials of Character which accompanied Mr. Coombes Petition to the Board -

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
15th May 1856

/ Signed / G. S. Forbes
Secretary

B. R. No. 1548 -

From the Secretary to Government for information

Read the undermentioned Extracts -

675

Sanctioning the increased allowance of 50 Pagodas per Mensem to Mr. Davidson the Assistant Collector of Ganjam from the 18th December 1854 -

675-676

Ordered to be Recorded -

Order thereon -

8074 Fort St. George 15th May 1856

B. No. 1602

From the Secretary to Government for information / dt 9th May 1856 } Communicating with the orders of Government a letter from the Chief Engineer Dept. Public Works forwarding with his remarks a list of Works proposed for entry in the Budget of 1857-58 for the District of Tanjore

677 677-678

Ordered to be recorded.

Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous Letters and Statements.-

679

My No. 1205 From the Ag Collector of Ganjam - Statement shewing the quantity of Salt in stores available for exportation to Calcutta on 16th April 1856.-

680

My No. 1204 From the Ag. Collr of Ganjam - Statement shewing the quantity of Salt in stores available for exportation to Calcutta on 1st May 1856.-

681

My No. 1202 From the Collr of Tanjore - Informing that no persons have been charged under Regulation IX of 1822 for April 1856.-

682

From the Collr of Tanjore - Returns of village officers suspended or dismissed from employment

683

My No. 1203 under Regulation VII of 1831 for April 1856.-

From the Collr of Tinnevelly - Supplemental Return

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My No. 1105 of village officers suspended or dismissed during March 1856.-

From the Collr of North Arcot - Average Bazar

My No. 1153 Prices of Grain for April 1856.-

From the Sub Collr in charge of Tanjore - Comparative statement shewing the quantity of Salt sold for Home and Inland Consumption at prices for Rounds

685

May 1855 to 30th April 1856.-

and the proceeds realized from its sale from 1st

Proceedings

8075 Fort St. George 16th May 1856

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

686

Friday the 16th May 1856.-

Read the following Papers

B. No. 1590

From the Sect. to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 10th May 1856.-

Stating that the partition of the Talook of Poolevaindlah into Cuddapah together with the Establishment proposed will be recommended for the sanction of the Government of India requesting the Board to obtain and submit a sketch of the 3 talooks of Goorumcondah, Muddumpully and Royachoty with the positions of their respective Cusbahs and passing orders as respects certain villages belonging to the Bunganapully Saghire and Venkatagherry Zemindary and as regards the Poonganoor Estate.- } See No. 482 in Separate Volume

687

B. No. 1478.

Order thereon Ordered. To be communicated to the Collector of Nellore who is requested to lose no time in making such arrangements as may be necessary for taking temporary

8076 Fort St. George 16th May 1856.

temporary charge of the Doopand Villages mentioned in Para 4. He will also give his attention to the most desirable modes of effecting an exchange of Villages with the Vencatagherry Zemindary.

Para 5 will also be communicated to the Collector of North Arcot.-

To The President and Members of the Board of Revenue.

(686-688)

Bd. No. 1482.
To the Chief Engineer

/Vide E. M. C. (16th May 56 RD. 482) Mems 16th May 1590

Ordered also that the following letter be sent.-

To,

The Chief Engineer

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that you will be so good as to furnish them at your earliest convenience with a tracing or sketch shewing as accurately as possible the three Talooks of Gurumcondah, Mudumpully and Royachoty in the district of Cuddapah with the positions of their respective Cutcheries.

Revenue Board Office, Fort St. George, 16th May 1856.

/Signed/ G. L. Forbes
Secretary

8077 Fort St. George, 16th May 1856.

Bd. No. 1645 From the Secretary to Government

689

Read Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 13th May 1856.-

Granting authority for the defence at the public expense of the two suits brought against the Collector of Malabar viz No. 353 of 1853 of the Betudraad Moonsiff's Court file and No. 9 of 1855 of the file of the Civil Court of Calicut.

/See No. 487 in Separate Volume/

(689-690)

Bd. No. 1477 Order thereon

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

Read again letter from the Collector of Masulipatam dated 29th January and entered in Consultation 11th April 1856.-

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.-

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Bd. No. 1491. To the Collector of Masulipatam

To, The Collector of Masulipatam

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated 29th January 1856 I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you that the services of Davaraveenee Zoolos Naidoo 1st Class Compositor have been engaged

engaged on a salary of 25 Rupees per month for the Masulipatam Press. He has been paid one months salary in advance, as per receipt enclosed which sum I request you will have the goodness to remit to this Office at your earliest convenience. He leaves this on the 17th instant and expects to reach Masulipatam on the 2d proximo. His salary is to commence from the date of his departure from Madras.

2. The individual alluded to has been examined at the Fort St. George Gazette Press and pronounced by the Superintendent to be qualified for the post for which he has been selected.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
16th May 1856.

/Signed/ G. L. Forbes
Secretary

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B.R. 4-81.

From the Collr. of Nellore

Reporting on the Petitions from Andemmas and others merasidars of Goodlore subject to Buddapoor Talook in the zillah of Nellore.

Read the following Papers

No. 35.

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

Sir,

With reference to the Boards Endorsement dated 13th June 1855 on Petition No. 890 and to the

× Nos. 2239, 2,778, 3288 } of 1855.

other Petitions noted in the ×margin I have the the honor to report as follows.-

2. Petitioners remonstrate against the admission to a share in the Curnum Merassy of certain Villages heretofore exclusively enjoyed by them, of one Mancharamum Mersiah and Govindappah under the orders of the late Sub Collector. The circumstances of the case are briefly these.-

Vide A.B.C.D in the accompanying Genealogical Tree

3 The ancestors of the present disputing parties owned the Curnum Merassy of 8 Villages It would appear that under the former Government they made among themselves an allotment of the Villages of which each branch of the original stock was to enjoy the Merassy that accordingly the villages of Goodloor Basereddy pollem and Rollapandoo fell to the share of C. and D while A and B had the remaining 5 Villages noted in the ×margin and that this arrangement has always been adhered to, each branch keeping to the Villages which fell to its share at the time of the original division A vacancy occurring in the Curnumship of Goodloor, one Manchavamum Mersiah sought to

× Doracaumpaud
Mogulloor
Nemmavarypollem
Vencumiapollem
Razerpollem

C in the Genealogical Table

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to be appointed to the office and based his right on a deed of gift alleged to have been executed in his favor by his maternal Grand father Gopaulah transferring to him (Mussiah) his (Gopaulah's) share of the Carnum Merassy. The Petitioners impugn the genuineness of the document, which bears date moreover in 1834/35 or subsequent to the passing of Regulation VII of 1831 and deny the right of Gopaulah or of the descendants of B to any share of the Meerassy of Goodloor, Basireddypollem and Rollapandgoo which it is contended exclusively belongs to the descendants of C and D, and quote in support of their statement two Decrees of the Ongole Moonsiffs Court confirmed in appeal by the Nellore Zillah Court rejecting the claim of Gopaulah to a participation in the Goodloor Merassy.-

4. The Sub Collector however viewing the Meerassy of all the 8 Villages as the common property of the descendants of all the 4 collateral branches and as one of these, viz, D has become extinct tho' its share has since reverted to the Petitioners and been enjoyed by them, has directed a reallotment of the entire merassy in three equal shares among.

1st. M. Kursiah as the representative of Gopaulah in virtue of the deed of transfer already referred to.

2d. Govindappah as the descendant of B and 3rd the Petitioners as the descendants of

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against this decision that the Petitioners have appealed.-

5. A Copy of Mr. Ratliffs' English decision in the case and of the order founded upon it which gives in greater detail the grounds on which his conclusions are based are forwarded as required for the Board's information.-

Nellore District Collector's Office, 7th Feby 1856 } (Signed) F. B. Elton Collector

No. 1 Petition

No. 2.-

The Sub Collector having thoroughly considered the various points adduced by each party to, and the general bearings of this case, is of opinion, that the claims of M. Kursiah and Condulroydoo are well grounded.-

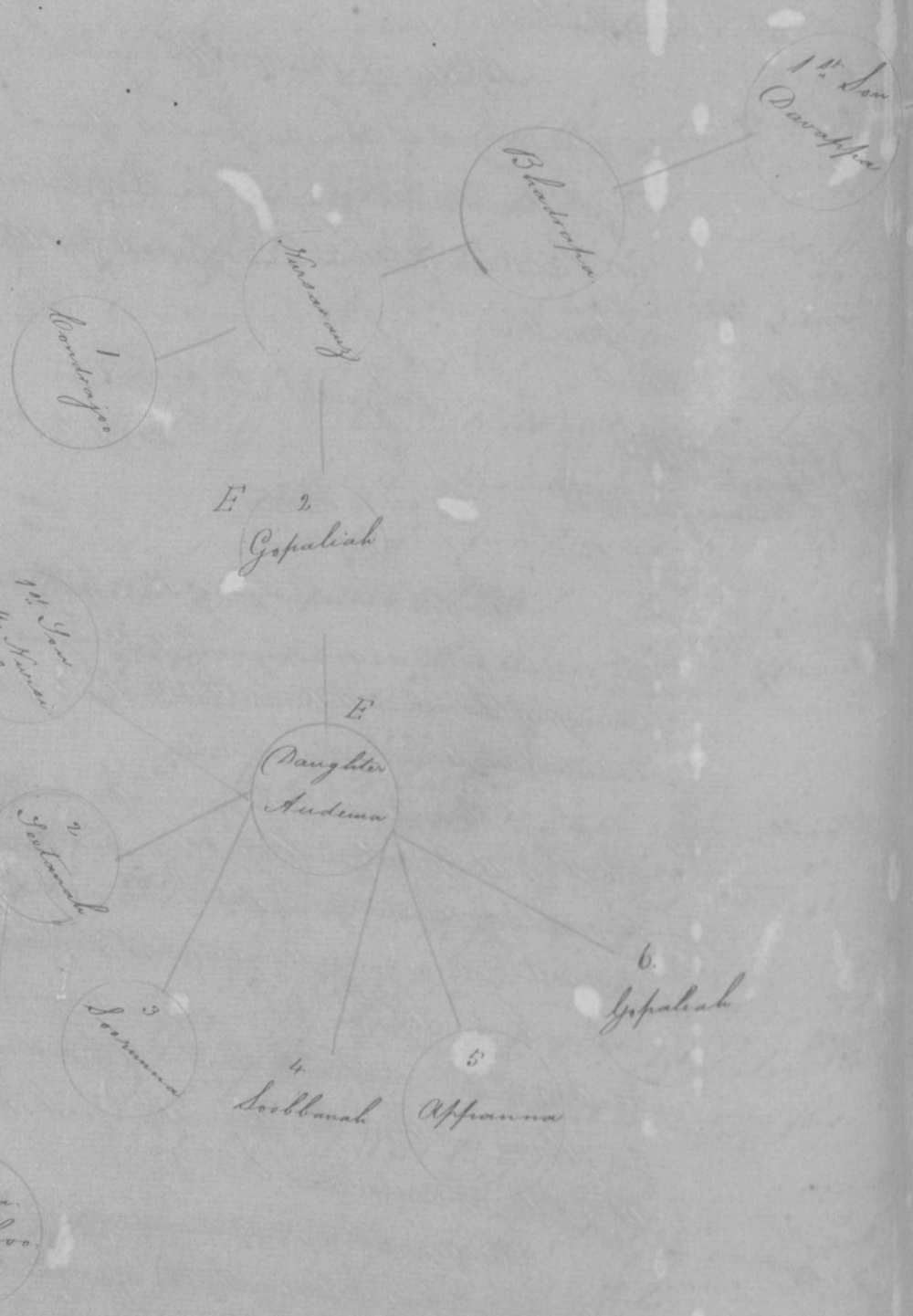
There appears to be reason for doubting the correctness of the Genealogical Tree furnished by Audanah from the very circumstance of the document executed by deceased Pallumrazee and under which S. Lutchmeenursoo Audanah's Brother in law no enjoys deceased's share speaking of, and establishing the fact of there having been four shares and those too, apparently equal shares in the 8 Villages Meerashee.

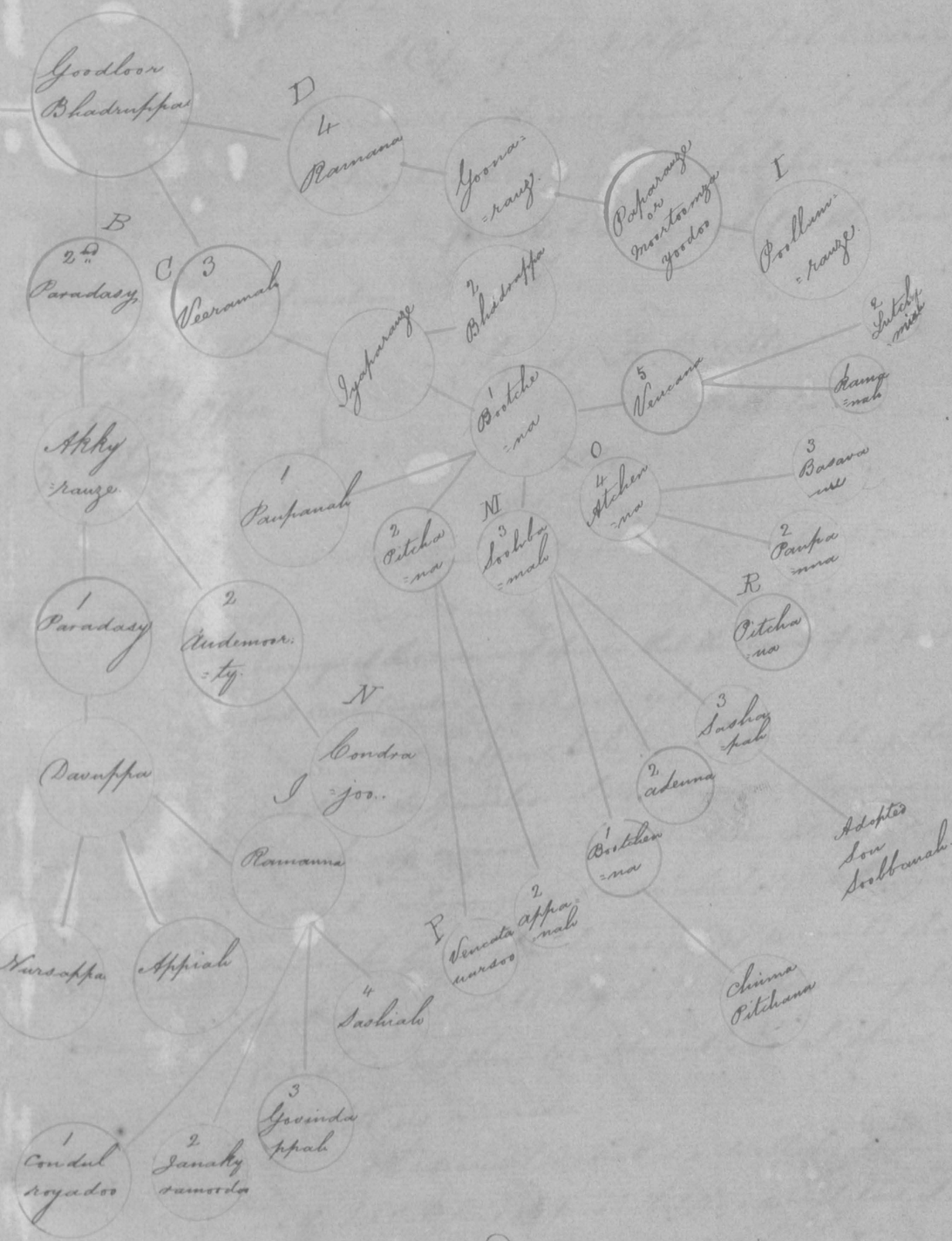
This document is admitted virtually by Audanah and the Sub Coll.r being of opinion that the representatives of each of the 3 remaining Branches are entitled & bound to share equally orders that such shall be done accordingly that is to say that an equal division shall be made between the descendants of Davanpah, Paradeysey (ancestors of complainants) and Verandancestor of opposite party) (Signed) I. Ratliff

July 10th 1854. (True Copy) (Signed) F. B Elton Collector

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No. 3





/Signed/ F. B. Elton
Collector

Bd. No. 1493.
Proceedings thereon.
(692-693)

The Board resolve to request that the Collector will review the decision passed by the late Sub Collector in this case.

2. Leaving the merits of the question to be decided by the Collector in appeal, the Board will here only observe that they cannot consent to the Carnicum emoluments which are granted for service being regarded as private property so completely as Mr. Ratliffs' order contemplates in directing that the allowances be devided and shared equally by the representatives of the family without any reference to the effect which such a Subdivision may have on the efficiency of the Office.

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Bd. No. 798
From the Coll.
of Chingleput

No. 20

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

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 559 and to forward herewith the required certificate to be attached to the Account Particular No. 3 of actual charges incurred without Estimate in this District for the fast fusly 1264.

Bellary,
Collectors Office
3d March 1850.

/Signed/ C. Pelly
Collector

Order thereon,
(694-695)

Ordered to be recorded.

Read a new letter from the Government Pleader dated 31st March and note in Consultation 26th

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Bd. No. 1418
From the Government Pleader

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

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 26th April and its enclosure herewith returned, I have the honor to state for the information of the Board that the fact now specially brought to my notice makes no alteration in my former opinion.

2. Were this the ordinary case of a Roman Catholic family, say Europeans there could be no ground whatever for extending the grant in law beyond the three lives in fact—

3. Only under the Hindoo Law could such a state of things arise, and that as I have before pointed out, when the survivors are brothers not sisters.—

4. But the grantee I presume from his name in this Case was a native, and though he or his ancestors or posterity may have been converted to Christianity I think that fact would not alter their status of the family in temporal matters. There is no Lexloci in the Mofussil: and I am of opinion that in exceptional cases like this the

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the law of inheritance and succession must be regulated by the Custom of the particular family. If they have lived together as a joint undivided family for instance they would be entitled to claim a division notwithstanding any changes in their religion, which would not I think subject them to the Law of primogeniture. The whole question is now sub judice in the case of the Abrahams before the Bellary Civil Court.

5 It comes then to this. If the religion of the parties can make any difference in the present case it must be against the Claim at Law, to a continuance of the Shotrium. If it does not, the case falls under the ordinary Hindoo Law, whereby sisters do not form a joint life with their brother.

6. I cannot construe the term "life" to mean "generation". If the Government meant the latter nothing would have been easier than to say so: and the consequences flowing from the difference are too important to permit any supposition that possibly the one term might have been used for the other.

7 At Law the Parties estate has run out. The further extension of the grant rests purely with the benevolence of Government

Madras
30th April 1856

(Signed)

Fort St. George, 16th May 1856.

Bd. No: 1483.
Proceedings thereon,
(696-697)

According to the orders of Government in Extract Minutes Consultation No. 248 dated 4th March 1856, the Government Pleader was furnished with the whole of the papers relating to this Shrotriem and requested to report upon the right of the surviving sisters, in point of Law, to the Shrotriem.

Dy 31st March
in cons. 28th April 56.

Mr. Norton is of opinion that as Members of an undivided family, the male children collectively would be reckoned in Hindu law as one life, but not the sisters, and therefore the latter cannot claim the continuance of the Shrotriem as representing the third life in common with their brothers.

To Govt Pleader
28th April 1856

2 The Board in a second communication observed that the family in question were Christians and not Hindoos and requested Mr. Norton's opinion as to whether that circumstance considered in connection with the spirit and intention of grants of this nature

which

which are designed to provide support for a family for a limited number of generations made no alteration in his view as to the construction of the law, his reply as will be seen is unfavorable to the claimants.—

3. The Board in forwarding the case again with the Reports of Mr. Norton for the consideration and orders of Government repeat their recommendation that for the reasons stated in their Proceedings of 1st February 1856 No. 318 it may be favorably considered.—

D. 30. April
R. 16. May 1856

Read the following papers.

No. 66

To,

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

Sir,

(698)

B. No. 1290

From the Collector of Trichinopoly

Referring to your letter No. 1034 of the 8th Instant apprizing me of the despatch by Carts of the

wooden Press and printing materials for the use of my Office, I have the honor to request you will inform me whether Servants have been engaged for me by the Board to set up and work the Press &c.—

2. I cannot obtain any persons here competent for the duty and must look to your Board, as already stated in my letter of the 18th January last No. 9.—

Trichinopoly District
Sarvoganeony Collectors
Circuit Cutcherry
16th April 1856.

/Signed/ J. Bird
Collector.

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.—

To

8089 Fort St. George 16th May 1856

To The Collector of Trichinopoly

(698-699)

B. No. 1191.

To the Collector of Trichinopoly

Sir,

With reference to your letter's dated 18th January and 16th April 1856. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you that the Services of the men named in the Margin, have been engaged as Compositors &c. for the Trichinopoly Press. The parties have been paid one Months' Salary in advance as per receipts enclosed amounting in all to 48 Rupees which sum I request you will have the goodness to remit to this Office at your earliest convenience. The men propose leaving this on the 18th Instant and expect to reach Trichinopoly on the 31st. Their Salary is to commence from the date of their departure from Madras—

	Rs.
2d. Class Chellumbala Naick	15
4th Do. S. Moonesawmy Chetty	8
5th Do. Parthasarathy Naidoo	7
Pressman Soobaroyen	10
Ballman Moonesawmy	8
Rupees 48	

These men have all been examined at the Fort St. George Gazette Press, and have been pronounced by the Superintendent to be qualified for the posts for which they have been selected—

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
16th May 1856

(Signed) G.S. Forbes
Secretary

8090 Fort St. George 16th May 1856.

No. 74.

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

(700)

B. No. 1561.

Sir,

From the Collector of Madras

In Duplicate

In view of the extension of the Survey to the Noongumbakum Division adverted to in Extract Minutes of Consultation 25th April last, I have the honor to submit and Indent of such Articles of Stationery as Mr. Walker now requires, and request the favor of your obtaining the Board's sanction for the same at an early date.

Besides those entered in the Indent he requires also the articles named in margin. I am therefore desirous of knowing whether I might be allowed to purchase them for Mr. Walker, who says that their value will not amount to more than about 60 Rupees. He is of opinion that he can procure these articles better and at a more moderate price than they are likely to be

2. Doz. Drawing Pencils	
3. Do. Common Lead Do.	
2. Cakes of Lake.	
2 Do. of Prussian blue	
2 Do. of Sap Green	
6 yards of Red Bunting	
6 Do. White Do.	
1 Leather strap for Instrument Bearer	
1 Do. Cover for instrument.	
Repairing Instrument making up Banner Rolls &c.	
4. Tin Cases for preserving Plans of sizes.	
50. Wooden Pegs	

supplied by Indent.

(Signed) B: Cunliffe
Collector

Madras
8th May 1856.

Order

B. No. 1484.

Order thereon.

Ordered that the Indent submitted in the foregoing letter be returned with the sanction of the Board that the Collector be requested to indent for the other articles also, and to charge for the repairs of instruments and other such escpenses in a Contingent Bill.-

(700-701)

(No. 54.)

(702)

A. after B. No. 1619.

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

Sir,

From the Collector of Salem.

With reference to your letter of the 3d Instant No. 1312 informing me that the services of Men named therein had been engaged as compositors &c. for the Salem Press, and that one Months salary had been paid in advance; I have to enclose a bill of exchange on the Accountant General for the sum in question Viz. Rupees 80.-

2. I request you will be so good as to transmit as early as possible the articles* still wanting to complete the Indent for

* Inking Table
Roller Mould
Do. Frame
Do. Stock

my District that the compositors may be sent to work as soon as they arrive.-

Salem Collectors Office,
Ofsoor, 9th May, 1856.

(Signed) H. A. Brett.
Collector.

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.-

(702-703)

To,
The Collector of
Salem.

B. No. 1489.

To the Collector of Salem.

Sir,

In Cons: 16th May/56
A. after 1619.

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th May 1856 accompanied by a Bill of exchange on the Accountant General for Rupees (80) Eighty being the amount of one Months Salary given in advance at this Office to the compositors &c. engaged for the Salem Press.-

2. The articles alluded to in para 2 of your letter will be duly forwarded to you as soon as they are received from the Govt. Carriage Manufactory.-

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
16th May 1856.

(Signed) G. S. Forbes
Secretary

8093 Fort St. George 16th May 1856.

No. 47.

To,

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

704

B. No. 1659.

From the Acting Collr. of Canara

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 21st Ultimo, I have the honor to inform you that since the receipt of the Board's Circular dated 24th December last, no revenue farms have been disposed of.

2. It has been usual in this District to specify dates for sales and confirmation of the offers then received, and the sales have generally been closed on the days fixed. Instances may have however occurred when from unavoidable causes, the sales were not actually closed on the dates advertised, but the orders of the Board conveyed in their Circular of the 24th December last will hereafter be strictly attended to.

Collector's Cutcherry,
Mangalore 9th May
1856.

704-705
Order thereon

(Signed) W: Fisher.
Acting Collector.

8094 Fort St. George 16th May 1856.

No. 99

To,

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

706

Bo. No. 1605

From the Collr. of Nellore

Sir,

I have the honor to forward Copy of an application for leave of absence on private affairs from the Nail Sheristadar of my Office under Section VI Chapter 3 of the Rules for regulating leave of absence to Uncovenanted public servants published in the Fort Saint George Gazette of 7th March 1856 Page 396 and to recommend that it may be granted.

2. I take this opportunity of requesting that I may be informed whether Special application must be made through the Board to Government for leave every time it is required by Tahsildars or other servants of my Establishment drawing 100 Rs. a Month or upwards such

3 Such leave has hitherto been granted by the Collector and I venture to suggest that it would save reference if he was still permitted to do so for short periods or under such limitations as may be thought necessary—

Nellore
Collector's Office
10th May 1856

/Signed/ F. B. Elton
Collector

Enc: No. 1

To

F. B. Elton Esqre
Collector of Nellore

Sir,

Having occasion to proceed to Madras on private affairs I have the honor to request that you will be so good as to grant me leave of absence for one month under Section VI Chapter III of the Rules for regulating leave of absence to Uncovenanted servants—

Nellore
May 9th 1856

/Signed/ V. Ramiah
Nail Sheristadar

/True Copy/
/Signed/

Bd. No. 1500
Proceedings thereon
(706-707)

Resolved that the foregoing letter and its accompaniment be submitted to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council for the purpose of obtaining general orders on the subject—

2. The Board observe that agreeably to the rules referred to above it is optional with Government to delegate to heads of Offices or departments power to act upon them without special reference to higher authority except in the instance of Officers receiving their appointments direct from Government who are to be under the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council—

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3 The Board would therefore recommend that the power be conceded to all heads of offices in the Revenue Department of granting the privilege leave of one Months in each year to their subordinates under Chapter 3 Section VI and leave of absence either on pressing private affairs under Section VII of the same Chapter or on Medical Certificate for a period not exceeding 6 Months—

4. Leave on Medical Certificate for a period exceeding 6 Months remains to be provided for and the Board are of opinion that this authority might be vested in them—

To

8097 Fort St. George 16th May 1856

No: 87

To

G. A. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

708

Bd No: 1657.

From the Coll.r of North Arcot

Sir,

Para 1 With reference to your Circular letter dated 19th March last, No: 849 I have the honor to forward a return of the Number and description of Peons on my Establishment, who require to be furnished with Cloth belts.

2. No suitable Cloth is procurable in this District for making belts—

3. The Leather belts for the lower classes of Peons will be procured in this District as usual

4. The renewal of the belts once in two years appears sufficient, and orders will be given for their careful preservation during that period.

North Arcot
Collectors Cutcherry
Chittoor 12th May 1856

(Signed) C. Whittingham
Collector

No: 1

Return of the No: and description of Peons on the Establishment of the Collector of North Arcot who require to be furnished with Cloth belts—

Number of Peons	Description of Peons	No: of belts required.
1	2	3
51	Hoozoor Dalayets	51

North Arcot
Collectors Cutcherry
Chittoor 12th May 1856

(Signed) C. Whittingham
Collector

8098 Fort St. George 16th May 1856

No: 91

To

G. A. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

709

Sir,

Bd No: 1635.

From the Collector of Tanjore

I have the honor to report for the information of the Board that I have this day delivered over charge of the District to Mr. W M Cadell the Sub Collector, and I enclose the receipts he has passed for the Balance of Cash in the Treasury amounting to Rupees 1709139—7—5 and for the stamp papers and postage labels remaining on hand on this date—

Tanjore,
Tranquebar,
13th May 1856

(Signed) H. Forbes
Collector

Received

8101 Fort St. George 16th May 1856

Received from H Forbes Esqre Collector of Tanjore the undermentioned Stampt papers and Cadjans examined and found at the Huzzoor Stampt Office at Tranquebar on the 12th May 1856

Size	Description	Roll	Total Rolls
	4 Annas Country Papers	5374	
	8 D: D:	1941	
	1 Rupee D:	2251	
	2 D: D:	849	
	4 D: D:	682	
	8 D: D:	537	
	16 D: D:	214	
	32 D: D:	84	
	50 D: D:	189	
2	100 D: D:	26	
	150 D: D:	73	
	250 D: D:	"	
	350 D: D:	1	
	500 D: D:	"	
	750 D: D:	1	
			17425
	8 Annas Europe decree Papers	240	
2	1 Rupee D:	377	
	2 D: D:	74	691
	4 Annas Cadjans	755	
	8 D: D:	623	
	1 Rupee D:	398	
1	2 D: D:	209	
	4 D: D:	119	
	8 D: D:	10	
	16 D: D:	37	
	32 D: D:	82	2163
	Total		15279

Tanjore 17th May 1856 } E. E. Jr. / Signed / W. M. Cadell
Sub Collector in Charge

Received

8102 Fort St. George 16th May 1856.

To

G. A. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

Sir

I have the honor to report for the information of the Board that I have this day received charge of the District from Mr. A. Forbes, Collector to whom I have granted my receipts in Duplicate for the Balance of Cash remaining and found in the Treasury amounting to Rupees 2758.1[illegible] Thousands seven hundred and fifty eight

No. of Sheets Labels	Description	Value of each Sheet	Total Value
180	96 on a sheet half anna label	3	1352 " "
119	96 on a sheet One anna label	6	718 " "
25	80 on a sheet Two annas label	10	288 " "
61	96 on a sheet Four annas label	6	370 " "
		Gross value	2758 " "

Total 665 208

E. E. Excepted

Tanjore. } Signed W. M. Cadell
Tranquebar. }
16th May 1856

Sub Collector in Charge.

To

8103 Fort St. George 16th May 1856.

No. 92

To

G. A. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

710

I have the honor to report for the information of the Board that I have this day received charge of the District from Mr. A. Forbes, Collector to whom I have granted my receipts in Duplicate for the Balance of Cash remaining and found in the Treasury amounting to Rupees 1709139 7-5 and for the Stamp papers and post=age labels on hand on this date.

After
B. No. 1630
From W. M. Cadell Esqre
Sub Collector in charge
of Tanjore.

Tanjore, ...
Tranquebar, ...
12th May 1856

Signed W. M. Cadell
Sub Collector in Charge.

Submitted for the in=formation of Government

To

No. 80

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

711

B. No. 1655.
From the Collector
of North Arcot . . . } Para.

Sir.

With reference to Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 26th February 1855. calling upon me to state what number of Copies of Regulations IV. V. and XI of 1816 in the several vernacular languages, will be required for distribution among the Village Moonsiffs and Curnums of this District, I have the honor to state for the information of the Board that 2,150 Copies in Teloogoo and 1643 in Tamil of Regulation XI of 1816 are required for the use of this District as regards the other Regulation IV and V, a sufficient Number of Copies has already been struck off at the Press attached to this Office.

North Arcot,
Collector's Cutcherry
Chittoor 12th May 1856. } Signed C. Wettenghame

Collector.

No. 77.

712

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

B. No. 1625.
From the Collector
of Madras, ... } Para.

Sir.

The Government having desired that Ennore shall be discontinued as a place of store and Export as soon as possible and having disposed of our Salt there, storage has not been recommended, though it may be, that the shallow state of the Canal the next few months, will compel our storing at Ennore.

2. At present however we are Exporting from Madras the Salt to Chittagong on Public indent - so much delay accompanied with damage to the Salt has been occasioned by the boats not being in readiness, thus causing the Salt brought down to remain for hours and perhaps the night on the beach, that the Superintendent has reported the necessity of hiring a Godown near Clives or Abercrombie's Batteries for the reception of the Export Salt. and the Entertainment of an Overseer on 2 Rupees per diem to look to the shipping

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shipping of it.

3. I agree with the Superintendent in thinking the arrangement requisite, and therefore beg to be informed whether I am to incur this expenditure, which must be charged to the salt.

Madras, 13th May 1856. /Signed/ B. Cunliffe
Collector

B.P. No. 1485
712-713

Proceedings thereon. Resolved that the letter above recorded be submitted for the Orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council

2. In Para 9 of Extract Minutes Consultation dated 31st May 1855 No 651. the Government directed that Salt should be stored at, and exported from, Madras instead of Ennore. The Collector now reports that great delay has been occasioned in shipping from the former place the Salt to Chittagong on public Indent, in consequence of Boats not being in readiness to convey it to the Vessels, and that the Salt has received damage from having to remain for hours and perhaps the night on the Beach.

In Cons. 14th June 1855.

3. Under these Circumstances the Board

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support the Collector's recommendation that sanction be granted for renting a Godown near Clives or Abercrombie's Batteries for storing Salt for export, and for the entertainment of an Overseer on 2 Rupees per diem for

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for the purpose of superintending its shipment.

4. The Board request to be informed whether the proposed expenditure should be added to the prices charged for the Salt as suggested by the Collector or whether it should be debited to the general Salt charges.

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Central Office of Public Works.

(714)

B.o No. 1630
From the Deputy Chief Engineer.

Memorandum.

The Deputy Chief Engineer Southern Division has the honor under orders to inform the secretary to the Board of Board of Revenue in reply to his

No. 1376. Memo: of the 8th instant, that there does not appear on the records of the late Board of Public Works any special orders of Government for placing the Annamallay Forests under the Collector of Coimbatore. It appears to be simply an arrangement of Colonel /then Major/ Cotton on

+22d July 1852. whose recommendation the late Board of Public works[x] requested the Superintendent of the Annamallay Forests to forward his accounts through the Collector of Coimbatore.

For.t Saint George,
13th May 1856.

/Signed/ E. Lawford
Dy. Chief Engineer
S.t D.n

To The Secretary to the
(714-715) Board of Revenue.

B.o Wo. 1474
Order thereon.

In Cons.n 8 May 1856.

Ordered to be forwarded for the information of the Revenue Secretary to Government with reference to his Memo: dated 9th May 1856.

Extract

716.

Bd. No. 1668.
From the Chief Engineer D.P.W.

Public Works Department

No. 674.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 9th May 1856.

Read the following letter from the Chief Engineer.

Forwarding the opinion of the Civil Engineers on the Subject of Supplying each Division with Autographic Presses. and suggests the disposal of those sent out.

(Here enter 23 April 1856 No. 2676)

Referring to Para 7 of Extract Minutes of Consultation 8th March 1855 No. 287, the Chief Engineer reports the result of his enquiries as to the wishes of the General Civil Engineers to be supplied with Autographic Presses, and proposes that one such press shall be assigned to each of the following Division.

Kistna Division
5th ——— do
7th ——— do
8th ——— do

2. Two of the five recently arrived Autographic Presses having

already disposed of by the Board of Revenue, in accordance with permission previously given them, and one of the remaining three having unfortunately broken as reported in the above letter, there are only two at present available. These two are now placed at the disposal of the Chief Engineer, to be forwarded to the two Divisions where, in his opinion, they may be most needed.

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

No. 66.

Resolved that a Copy of the order of Government No. 674 dated 9th May 1856 be forwarded to the Secretary to the Revenue Board with a request that the three presses now at the Revenue Board Office be forwarded to the Chief Engineer's office to be packed previous to being dispatched.

Government Lithographic Press.
Central office of P.W. . . .
Fort St. George, ...
15th May 1856. . . . .

/ Signed / C. E. Faber - Colonel
Chief Engineer D.P.W.

To The Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

Order

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Ordered that the following Official Memorandum be sent.

(716-717)

B. No. 1481

Official Memorandum.

To The Chief Engineer. D. P. W.

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor, with reference to the Proceedings from the Chief Engineer, dated 15th Instant to forward to him the three Autographic Presses referred to.

In C. 16 May 1856 91 1688

Revenue Board Office, Fort St. George, 16th May 1856.

/ Signed / G. L. Forbes Secretary.

To The Chief Engineer.

(718)

Department Public Works.

B. No. 1672

From H. Forbes Esqr. Asst. Member of the B. of Revenue

In the Supreme Court Madras.

I, Henry Forbes, do promise, and swear, that I will, to the utmost of My endeavours, well and faithfully execute and discharge the duties of an officer of Revenue, reposed in, and committed to me, by the East India Company, and that I will not demand, take, or accept directly or indirectly, by Myself, or

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by any other person, for my use, or on my behalf, of or from any Rajah, Zemindar, Talookdar, Poligar, Farmer, Renter, or Ryot, or from any person paying or liable to pay any tribute, rent or tax, to or for the use of the Said Company, any sum of Money, or other valuable thing, by way of Gift, Present, or otherwise over and above, or besides and except, the actual tribute, rent or tax, authorizing to be taken by and for the use of the said Company, and that I will justly and truly account for, answer, and pay all the rents, duties, and other revenues, and Sums of money, which shall come to my hands, or to the hands of any person, or persons, in trust for, or employed by me, as an Officer of the Revenue, of the Said Company, unto the said

said Company.

Sworn to before me this
16th day of May 1856. at
Madras,

/Signed/ Ch. Rawlinson
Chief Justice.

So help me God.

/Signed/ H. Forbes

True Copy
/Signed/ G. L. Forbes.
Secretary

(718-719)

Order thereon.

Ordered to be recorded.

Resolved that the following letters be despatched.

To

The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

(720)

B.o No. 1472.
To The Sec.y to Gov.t
Rev: Dep.t

Sir.

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to report that Henry Forbes Esq.r assumed his seat at the Board on the 16th May 1856 in pursuance of his appointment as acting Member, and that he has taken and registered the prescribed Oath in Her Majesty's Supreme Court at Madras in Conformity with the Notification of Government dated

19th May 1835. published at page 318 of the For.t St.e George Gazette for that year.

Revenue Board Office.
For.t St.e George,
16th May 1856.

/Signed/ G. L. Forbes
Secretary.

(721)

To The Civil Auditor.

B.o No. 1471
To The Civil Auditor.

Sir

I have the honor to state that I assumed my seat at the Board of Revenue on the 16th May 1856 in pursuance of my appointment as acting Member and that I have taken and registered in the supreme Court the oath of office prescribed by Section II Regulation I A.D. 1803.

Revenue Board Office
For.t St.e George,
16th May 1856.

/Signed/ H. Forbes.
Acting Member
Board of Revenue.

(722)

Official Memorandum.

B.o No. 1480
To the Superintendent
Gun Carriage
Manufactory

The Secretary to the Board of Rev.e has the honor with reference to his letter of the 9th April 1856, to request the Superintendent of the Gun Carriage Manufactory will be so good as to expedite the transmission of the articles indented for under date 14th February 1856. as they are urgently required for the Provincial Presses which cannot

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cannot commence operations without them.-

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
16th May 1856.

/Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary.

In No. 1561.
From the Collector of Madras. Read Indent on the Superintendent of Stationery for stationery required for the year 1856.-

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Order thereon.- Ordered that the original Indent be passed and forwarded to the secretary to the Military Board.-

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Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous letters and statements.-

725
1146
From the Collector of Cuddapah. Statement shewing the

726
1206
state of the Season for April 1856.-

From the Collector of North Arcot States that no Cases were disposed of under Regulation

727
1207.
IX of 1822 for april 1856.-

From the Collector of North Arcot. States that no Village Officers were suspended or dismissed in April 1856.-

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Saturday the 17th May 1856.

Read the following Papers.

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No. 501.

Bd. No. 1616
From the Chief Secretary to Govt.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Judicial Department. Dated 13th May 1856.-

Read the following letter from the Magistrate of North Arcot.-

Furnishes information regarding a robbery which occurred in the Bouganoor Estate. . . . . /Here enter 29th April 1856.-

The Magistrate of North Arcot will inform Government of the result of the information alluded to in para 4 of his letter - as well as of any other intelligence that he may obtain. Connected with the robbery of Mr. Dillon. A letter from Mr. Dillon subsequently forwarded by the Magistrate gives strong reason for suspecting that the robbers are in league with the transit people. The Superintendent of Police at Madras has been desired to report to Government the result of the inquiry which he may institute in consequence of the communication to this effect made him by the Magistrate; Messrs Whittingham and Murray should also follow out this clue to the utmost in

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in their respective Districts.

2. The Magistrate of Cuddapah will state at what time the robbery was reported to him and what measures were adopted in Consequence, also what notice he has taken of the misconduct of the Village Officers referred to by Mr. Dillon; He will also report whether the Police of Poonganoor is in the Lands of the Poligar.

3. The Board of Revenue will inform Government of the reply to the Magistrate of North Arcot relative to the transfer to his District of the Poonganoor Pollium

4. The Post Master General will be requested to explain how it is that as represented by Mr. Whittingham the post from Palmanair to chittoor is two days.

/ True Extract /

/ Signed / T. Pycroft
Chief Secretary

To
The President and
Members of the
Board of Revenue

(728-729)

Order thereon. Ordered to be recorded Mr. Whittinghams reply to the order regarding the transfer of the Poonganoor will be Communicated to the Government when received.

730

Bd. No. 7666
From the Secy to Government. } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department Dated 14th May 1856

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Stating that Govt have already directed the transfer of Poonganoor to the N. Arcot District from the Commencement / See 8120 in Separate Cover

Order thereon.

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(730-732)

Ordered also that the following letter be sent in reply.

Bd. No. 1501
To the chief Secy. to Government } To The Chief Secretary to Government.

Sir

Subons 17th May 1856

With reference to para 3 of Extract Minutes Consultation 13th May 1856 Judicial Department No. 501, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to state that orders have been passed in the Revenue Department of the Government Office respecting the transfer of Poonganoor to the North Arcot district at the Commencement of the approaching Fasly.

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D. 14 Cons 17th May 56

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
17th May 1856.

/ Signed / G. S. Forbes
Secretary

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Bd. No. 817
From the chief Secy to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Judicial Department Dated 14th May 1856.

No. 505

Sanctioning the employment for 6 months of 60 peons and a Duffadar at a monthly cost of Rs. 77 in the District of Chingleput and resolving to report these Proceedings for the confirmation of the Supreme Government.

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

/ Here enter 15th April 1856 /

Read also the following Letter

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Letter from the Magistrate of Chingleput Submitting a report on the highway robbery Committed on Major General Grantham on the western Trunk Road on the night of the 5th Instant. (Here entered 11th April 1856)

With the first of the foregoing papers the Board of Revenue Submit Correspondence with the Collector of Chingleput relative to an application made by that Officer for the employment of 60 additional Peons with a Duffadar for 6 months at a monthly Cost of Rupees 217

2. It is represented that the present establishment of Revenue and Police Peons in the District is quite inadequate for the performance of the duties required of it. and that the want of extra aid is felt generally in all the Talooks but especially in Sydapet in Consequence of its proximity to Madras and the Mount and Palaveram Cantonments. It is shown that of the 83 Peons attached on an average to each Taluk there are only 22 avail-

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duties of the District for the preservation of peace apprehension of robbers, and several other peculiar duties and that very many of the Tanahs have only one Peon attached to them. For these reasons and adverting to the nature of the season which is likely to lead to an extension of crime. the Board of Revenue support the Collector's recommendation that Sanction be granted for the temporary employment of additional Peons to the extent referred to in Para 1.

3. The second of the papers above recorded is a reply to Extract Minutes Consultation of the 11th April 1856 N°368, calling upon the Magistrate of Chingleput for the particulars of an attack recently made upon Major General Grantham by a party of robbers at about 4 miles from Poonamallee and for information as to what arrangements had been previously made for the protection of travellers in that road. In reference to this latter point Mr. Shubrick adverts to the application made by him to the Board for extra aid and to the insufficiency of the present Establishment. He adds that it is Customary to have Tanahs at various intervals along the trunk Roads but that as the number of Peons Stationed is never more than two and frequently one with the Police duties of 8 or 10 Villages to attend to the protection afforded cannot

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cannot be said to be real. He suggests therefore the organization of a road Police to be stationed at regular Posts 5 miles apart with instructions to patrol at night and Communicate with each other.

4th The Right Honorable the Governor in Council does not think that the necessity for the establishment of Tannahs at every five miles has been sufficiently shown, He however Considers the additional Police now applied for necessary and he accordingly resolves to Sanction the employment for 6 months of 60 Peons and a Duffadar at a monthly cost of Rupees 217/ Two hundred and Seventeen and to report these proceedings for the Confirmation of the Supreme Government.

60 Peons at 3½ Rs per mensem Rs 210 —
1 Duffadar at 7 Rs 7 " "
217 " "

To The President and Members of the Board of Revenue

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

Bd No. 1505

Order thereon — Ordered to be Communicated to the Collector of Chingleput for his information and guidance It appears to the Board that a part of this additional force should be employed in attending to the Security of travellers on the western and Southern roads and that it is advisable that they should have fire arms

(733-734)

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No. 509.

Bd No. 1505.
From the Chief Secty to Government.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Judicial Department dated 14th May 1856.

Read the following letters.

Reviewing the whole Proceedings held in the case of Messrs Waters, Hale and Doyle of the Sea Customs Department who were tried and acquitted at the Town Police Office on a charge of purloining Sundry bottles of Wine and directing all Heads of Departments that the Presidency that in any case of malversation in their Offices to be brought before a Police Magistrate they will Consult the Honble Company's Solicitor and leave the business of prosecution in his hands.

From the Chief Magistrate and Superintendent of Police (Recd under 28th March 1856)

From the Collector of Sea Customs. (Do 1st April "")

" " Board of Revenue (Do 11th March "")

" " Dy Collector of Sea Customs, (Do — April "")

Memos: by the Collector of Sea Customs. (Do 29th and 30th Do "")

The Collector and Deputy Collector of Sea Customs reply to the call made upon them in Extract Minutes of Consultation 24th March last in respect to the correctness of the Report in the "Uncovenanted Service Gazette" of a case investigated at the Town Police Office in which certain servants in the Sea Customs House were charged with purloining bottles of wine out of a consignment lying there.

2 The Magistrate who enquired into the case sends his report upon it with copies of the depositions taken.

3 The Board of Revenue have forwarded Mr Underwood's original application to them for

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for the dismissal of the three Servants accused of the alleged robbery.

4 The Collector of Sea Customs in reply to an Official Memorandum addressed to him by the Chief Secretary reports that Messrs. Waters, Bake and Doyle have been re-employed by order of the Board of Revenue pending further instructions from Government and he forwards an Extract from the Proceedings of the Board dated 17th April 1830 in which that order was communicated. The Board consider that "against Messrs. Wales and Doyle no evidence whatever was adduced to shew them guilty of theft and the high character which Mr. Underwood had previously given Mr. Waters for unimpeachable integrity and veracity gives support to the decision of the Magistrate who dismissed the charge after hearing the evidence without calling on him and the other two accused for a defence."

5 The above papers have reference to a suspected theft of some bottles of wine out of a consignment in bond at the Custom House the parties accused being then Servants on the Sea Custom House Establishment.

6 On the 12th March the Board of Revenue received a letter from the Collector of Sea Customs informing them that he had suspended three Officers of his Establishment

the grounds given in the papers which he enclosed, and he recommended that these Officers should be dismissed, or at all events removed from the Department. The Board refused to accede to Mr. Underwood's request on the ground that the enquiry was incomplete and the Governor in Council thinks with reason.

7 At the same time he is disposed to doubt the judiciousness of their requiring that the case should be brought before a Magistrate.

1st Because cases must frequently occur in Government Offices in which tho' it may be impossible to bring such proof as would satisfy a Court of law there may still be sufficient evidence against the accused to give little moral doubt of their guilt and to render their continuance in the employment of Government inconvenient and objectionable.

2d Because the precedent will be found to have a baneful effect.

8 The Board might have called for further information or might have submitted the case to Government with their recommendation that an investigation should be instituted by an Officer appointed for the purpose.

9 The Collector on the receipt of the Board's answers to his request instructed the Deputy Collector to take depositions and to forward them

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to the Deputy Superintendent of Police and desired that Officer to take such measures as occurred to him to be called for.—

10 What these measures were does not appear - except that it must be supposed that the charge was laid by some one, as the witnesses were subpoenaed and had to appear at the Town Police Office on the 18th March.

11 In para 8 of his letter to the Chief Secretary Mr Underwood states he does not know on what grounds the Magistrate proceeded in entering on the trial, again he states "no preliminary examination was taken" again "this department was permitted no opportunity of prosecuting the parties &c&c".—

12 If this Complaint of the Collector be correct it still appears to the Governor in Council to be owing chiefly to the utter want of arrangement and order manifested by the Collector himself.—

13. In para 3 of his letter he states "I therefore committed the whole case to Mr Cochrane but subsequently he himself at the desire of the Deputy Superintendant of Police makes the requisition for measures to be adopted in the case and he places Mr Cochrane on the List of Witnesses - so that he alone could be the prosecutor and thereby

have looked after his own case or have procured some proper Agent.

14 The case against Messrs Waters Wale, and Doyle has been dismissed by the Magistrate, and they have been reinstated in their situations by the Revenue Board. The Governor in Council has no desire to disturb this decision but he feels bound to declare that the course pursued by the Collector from the beginning of the enquiry to the end was not such as either to do justice to the public service or to be fair to the accused themselves.—

15 At 4 O'Clock P. M. on the 27th February last the Collector received from parties whom, in consequence of the numerous thefts committed in the Custom House he had set upon the watch, information which led him to believe that wine had been stolen by the three parties Waters, Wales and Doyle, Waters's room was accordingly searched under orders of the Collector by his Deputy and two Bottles one full of wine and the other very recently emptied were found. the bottles it would seem from the seals and the brand on the corks being evidently part of a consignment then in bond at the Custom House.

16 Such being the case the whole enquiry

enquiry might have been made and all available information elicited at once, that is on the day the bottles were found, or within the next day and the matter should have been laid before the Board in a full and complete form. In place of this an imperfect report only was furnished, and pending the Board's reply, precautions the most obvious even in justice to the accused in the want of further proceedings being thought necessary, were neglected. The bottles and corks on the identification of the brand and seal of which with those of the boat consignment the whole case hinged, were left in places where they could easily be tampered with, and the cork of one bottle was kept for days in the pocket of the Manager who picked pieces out of it in mere listlessness.

17 When the Board of Revenue directed that the case should be made the subject of investigation before the Magistrate the Collector as far as can be understood from his account in place of preferring a regular charge first handed the matter over to his Deputy and then left it to the sitting Magistrate to take such measures as he saw fit. From his own narration of the transaction which however is full of inconsistencies, he took no part in the affair and is even ignorant how the matter came before the Police at all.

18 That a case so prepared and conducted should have failed was only to be expected. The Government are left to the unpleasant conclusion that a case impugning the honesty of responsible Officers of the Customs has been most imperfectly investigated that the interests of the public have not been adequately protected nor justice done even to the accused.

19 To prevent the recurrence of such irregularities the Government resolve to direct that Heads of Departments at the Presidency before bringing before a Police Magistrate any case connected with malversation in their Offices will lay the whole matter before the Honorable Company's Solicitor and should he concur in the propriety of the prosecution, will leave the direction of the business in his hands.

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

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Bd. No. 1583.

Proceedings thereon offering explanation in reference to the case of Messrs. Waters, Wales and Doyle of the Sea Custom House and detailing the peculiar circumstances which led the Board to refer the decision in the matter of the misconduct that was alleged against them before a Police Magistrate

In these Proceedings Government review the case of Messrs. Waters, Wales and Doyle three Servants of the Sea Custom House who were committed for trial before the Magistracy on a charge of being concerned in pilfering two bottles from some Port wine which Messrs. Peraboose & Co. had entered for bonding.

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2 The result of this case has led Government to direct that the heads of Department at the Presidency before bringing before a Police Magistrate any case connected with Malversation in their Offices will lay the whole matter before the Honorable Company's Solicitor and should he concur in the propriety of the prosecution will leave the direction of the business in his hands.

3 These directions will be carefully attended to, but as Government seems under the impression that the Board directed the committal of these servants for trial before the Magistrate, the Board are desirous to explain that they left this step optional with the Collector as well be found on referring to the copies of their orders which were submitted to Government in the Revenue Department with their Proceedings of the 11th March last.

See paras 3 and 17

4 In the Boards view the evidence taken by the Collector was insufficient to establish the charge and the circumstances under which it was made led them also to mistrust the statements of the principal witnesses. But at the same time they considered

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it due to the Collector as head of the Office not to oblige him to retain servants whose honesty he had impugned without affording him an opportunity of having the case fully investigated. This investigation could only be made in the Board's opinion by a Magisterial Officer as the party charged with the actual theft was not a servant of Government but the Comicopoly in the employ of Messrs. Perahouse and Co. the owners of the wine, and it was necessary to establish his part in the transaction before the conduct of the Custom House servants could be satisfactorily considered.

5 Although Mr. Underwood mentioned that the public complaint of petty pilferings of wine at the Custom House his letter did not shew that the Comicopoly had been in any way examined or that Messrs. Perahouse & Co. made any charge against him. It was in reference principally to this circumstance that the Boards instructions were given and they never anticipated that if the three servants were sent before the Magistrate by the Collector they would have been sent without the Comicopolly being included in the charge or the presence of the owners of the wine being ensured.

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It appeared to the Board that the case came before them not merely as one of official discipline but as part of an alleged system of theft against which the public were called to wish for protection. A public investigation seemed therefore the proper and satisfactory course if the Collector considered they were grounds for persevering in the charge and as the principal person accused was not in Government employ and the case was individually of no Magnitude it seemed to the Board that the investigation should be held in ordinary form before one of the established Magisterial tribunals. —

And the Board may add that after the circumstances which had lately occurred in the Sea Custom Department they thought it very undesirable that the investigation should be carried so far only as it affected servants of Government who had given evidence regarding the late method of business at the Custom House instead of being a public enquiry affording able all the parties concerned in the alleged theft and made in ordinary course of law.

In offering this explanation the Board are desirous to express regret at finding that a passage in their reply to the application of the Collector for the dismissal of the three servants may from its wording bear

a construction which it was not intended to convey. The Board have been accustomed to act on the principle that public servants are not to be kept in employ when adequate grounds exist for mistrusting their integrity although legal proof of delinquency may be wanting. What the Board intended therefore to express was that under the peculiar circumstances of this case it was requisite to prove before a Magisterial Officer that some of Messrs. Kerakoose and Co's wine had been stolen. If this primary fact had been established, the Board would have sanctioned the dismissal of these servants after the Magistrates' enquiry had it led to so strong a presumption of their being implicated in the Canicopoly's misconduct as to show them to be untrustworthy. —

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After B. No 1684 From the Chief Sec. to Government.

Dated 29th February 1830.

Judicial Department

No 6 of 1830

Our Governor in Council —

at

Fort St. George

We transmit to you as a No in the Packet, Copy of an order of the House of Lords for three Returns which the Records of this

No 524

Extract Minutes of Consultation Dated 16th May 1830.

Ordered that the above despatch with its enclosures be communicated to

See Proceedings of Board dated 6th March 1830 Par as 3. Sent to Govt in Revenue Department with Bd Sec of Mr Edem.

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of this House do not enable us to furnish, we desire that instructions may be given for preparing the Returns and that they may be forwarded to us as soon as possible.

London 28th March 1850 } /Signed/ E. Macnaghten / " / W. W. Sykes and other Directors

Order of the Right Hon.ble the House of Lords dated 29th February 1850.

to the Board of Revenue who will be pleased to prepare from their own Records and from such Statements as they may find it necessary to call for, from the Officers in the Provinces the Returns required by the House of Lords and submit them at an early date to Govt.

2 A Return shewing the number of Native Officers employed in the joint conduct of the Police, and the Collection of Land and other Revenues in the several Provinces of the Presidency of Madras distinguishing the Village Officers from the ordinary Officers of Police and Revenue for the respective years 1813. 1833. and 1853.

3. A Return shewing the number of Native Officers including Village Officers employed in the joint Police and Revenue Department who were dismissed from the Police service for Malversation, corruption, Torturing or other offences

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within the several Provinces of Madras in the years 1813 - 1833. and 1853.

4 A Return shewing the amount of the Land Tax and the Total number of contributors to it in the several Provinces of Madras for the respective years 1813. and 1833.

/True Copies/
/Signed/ A. Pycroft
Chief Secretary

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Bd. No. 1308
Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to all Collectors who will furnish as early as possible the necessary Statements to enable the Board to prepare the Returns called for, should the whole of the information now called for not be procurable or should delay be likely to occur in furnishing it the circumstance must be communicated at once to the Board.

Ordered also that the following letter be sent in reply.

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Bd. No. 1307
To the Chief Secretary to Government
In Cons. 17th May 1850.

To The Chief Secretary to Government

Sir

1 I am directed by the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 16th May 1850 Judicial Department No. 324 forwarding copy of an order of the House of Lords for three Returns required from this Presidency.

As the information required is not

2 fully

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fully procurable on the Records of this Office an immediate reference will be made to the Collectors on the subject and the Returns furnished as expeditiously as possible.—

3 Collectors have also been requested to state at once how far they will be able to satisfy the present requisition.—

4 It is observed that two of the returns refer to the years 1813, 1833, and 1853. as whilst the third omits all mention of 1833 The Board presume that there is no clerical error in the copy sent to them

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
17th June 1850

Signed G. S. Forbes
Secretary

B. No. 1701
From the Secy to Government.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department dated the 16th May 1850.

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Reviewing the whole correspondence together with the Board's Proceedings thereon relative to the system under which bad provisions had been allowed to be removed from the custom House duty free and to certain points connected with the system of management pursued in that Department and desiring the Board in communication with the chamber of commerce to consider and report upon any changes with a view to the reform of the internal regulations of the Custom House.

See separate Volume No. 1991

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B. No. 1506
Resolution thereon

Resolved that Copies of the foregoing Extract Minutes Consultation be forwarded both to the Collector and Deputy Collector of Customs for information, a separate copy is to be sent for the Deputy Collector as the subject is in part personal to that officer

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Resolved also that the following letter be addressed to the Chamber of commerce.—

Sir

1 I am directed by the Board of Revenue to forward for the information of the Chamber an Extract from the Government Minutes of Consultation dated 16th May 1850.—

2 From the tenor of this Extract the Chamber will perceive that the Government have instructed the Board of Revenue to take into consideration the present system of management in the Madras Custom House and to introduce such reforms as are found to be desirable. In conducting this enquiry and reforms the Co-operation of the Chamber will be of much assistance to the Board, and I am desired to request that they may be favored with their views on this subject after receiving a general outline of the reforms deemed necessary by the Chamber, the Board will be happy to confer with them in person on matters of detail if it should be found convenient. The rules of the Office are published in the Gazette of 1831, p. 833.

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No. 508

B. No. 1705
From the Chief Secy to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Public Department dated 17th May 1850.

Read Telegraphic Message from the Secretary of the Government of India received on the 17th Instant, stating "that the Governor General in Council has ordered that after the date of the Message (not given probably the 16th instant) "it should be lawful to export Salt petre from any part of India to any place in any Ship British or foreign."

Resolved.

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Resolved that the above Message be communicated to the Board of Revenue, who will issue immediate instructions for giving it effect to the Collectors of Sea Customs at Madras and in the Provinces and to the Chamber of Commerce and that the Message be published for general information in the next Fort St. George Gazette.

(Signed) J. Pycroft
Chief Secretary

(742-743)

Ordered that the following Circular be sent.

Bd. No. 1497. Circular to all Collectors of Sea Customs —

Sea Cust. Govt. 17th in Cons. 17th May 1850 No. 1700

Circular

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to acquaint you that a Telegraph Message has this day been received from Calcutta in the following words. —

"The Governor General in Council has ordered after this date* it shall be lawful to export Saltpetre from any part of India to any place in any Ship British or foreign".

You will therefore immediately remove all restrictions to the free Trade in this article and discontinue the submission of the usual Returns.

*Note The date of the Message is not given but it is probably the 16th May 1850.

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Fort St. George,
17th May 1850.

(Signed) J. S. Forbes
Secretary

To

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No. 912

To the Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

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Bd. No. 1164. From the Ag Secretary Marine Board

Sir,

Under instructions contained in the 10th Para of Extract from the Minutes of Consultation No. 54 dated 21st February 1850 a copy of which with the Sections alluded to are annexed. I have the honor by desire of the Marine Board to submit a list of Ports which the Board consider ought to be placed under act XXII of 1855 with a request that you will favor them with your Board's opinion whether there are any obstacles why these Ports should not be put under this act.

Paras 8. and 10.

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The Board observe that there are several Ports mentioned in Notification No. 351 dated 10th May 1845 at Page 479 of the Gazette which are not included in the list of Ports at which Merchandize can be either shipped or landed as stated in the Fort St. George Gazette dated 13th September 1854 Page 745. The Board desire to be informed the reasons why this exists if known to your Board.

Madras, Marine Bd. Office
5th April 1856 } (Signed) H. Thomson
Sy Secretary

Extract from an Extract from the Minutes of Consultation dated 21st February 1856 No. 64.

Para 8 The Government observe that many Ports included in the appendix to Act VI of 184[illegible]

omitted, and that others not included in that appendix, and at which therefore Merchandize cannot be shipped or landed, (Act VI-44 Section XXIV) are named in the Board's list.-

9. Among the omissions are the important Ports of Beypore in the Malabar District - and of Sedasheguar and Honore in Canara. Oodapy which is included in the list of Canara Ports, is an inland town.-

10 The Marine Board will revise the list of Ports submitted by them in reference to the above remarks and in communication with the Board of Revenue - The Board of Revenue will also be called on to report to Government whether there are any Ports included in the Appendix to Act VII of 1844 which on special grounds it is desirable to exempt from the operation of Act XXII of 1855 Pamben as it is observed, excempted on the 17th November last for three years by order of Government in Extract Minutes of Consultation No. 245.

(True Extract)
(Signed) H. Thomson
Sy Secretary Marine Board

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Revised Appendix A

Districts	Ports	Subordinate Ports	Districts	Ports	Subordinate Ports
Madras	Madras		Keelakurray		Sheroopalacoody
	Ganjam		Devepatam		Morepunnay
	Mulsoorcottah				Ettenkurray
	Sonnapore				Karengaudoo
Ganjam	Parvah				Poodoopaul
	Poondy				Numbitalai
	Bauvanapaudoo		Tandy		Dhamodarapatam
	Calingapatam				Theethandathanum
	Gudalapaudoo		Madura		Soonderapandiem
	Vizagapatam				Avasanagherry
	Bimlipatam				Cottapatnum
	Conadah				
	Podermerpa				
Vizagapatam	Watadah				
	Cotapatnum				
	Pentacottah				
	Polauaram				
	Coringa				
	Cocanada				
Rajahmundry	Woopadah				
	Nursapoor				
	Bindamoorlunkah				
Masulipatam	Masulipatam				
	Nezampatam				
	Eapoor pollem				
Guntoor	Cottapaulum				
	Putch Moyalaya				
	Mootoopully				
	Ching Ganjam				
	Sholagam				
	Nagore				
	Tolpetorey				
	Negapatam				
Tanjore	Tirmalavassel				
		Valangauey			
		Codemdiarpollium			
	Moottoopettah	Tudrampatam			
		Summalepatam			
		Caultoomanady			
		Gopaulpatam			
			Paumben		Ramaseveram
					Thungachemadom
					Mundapam
					Pillamadom
					Vadalay
					Mercaypatam
			Tinnevelly	Vypaur	
				Tutacorin	
				Coilpatam	
				Coolasagarapatam	
			Nellore	Cottapatam	
				Etamoocala	
				Paukala	
				Rameapatam	
				Toorminalapentah	
				Joovaladinnah	
				Eskapally	
				Ponnapoody	
				Mypaud	
				Kistnapatam	
				Doogarazepatam	

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Districts	Ports	Subordinate Ports
Nellore	Chinnapollem	
	Paumunjey	
	Tooply	
	Poody	
	Ranzpatam	
	Paundurty	
	Goondamoola	
	Canoopurty	
	Danarumpaud	
	Eatamoorkula	
	Ranzpollem	
	Chunkeeterlah	
	Cazaidoo	
	Biuganapully	
	Vareny	
	Midda	
	Naulatoor	
	Codoor	
	Ettoor	
	Wooteroo	
	Pumbully	
	Cottapatam in the Division of Cottapatam	
	Panumoy	
North Arcot	Pulicat	
South Arcot	Cuddalore	
	Portnovo	
	Murkanum	Cavy
Malabar	Cannanore	Callicapatam
		Egaar
	Tellicherry	Darmapatam
	Calaynear	
	Mahe	Chombay
	Buddagherry	Mootangnel
		Kottah
	Dulandy	Treekody
		Cuddalore
		Kapaat
	Calicut	Elettoor
		Poodiangady
		Molankidda
		Beypoor
	Tanoor	Parparangaddy
		Parronely

Districts	Ports	Subordinate Ports
	Ponany	Koottay
		Velciangode
		Addatode
		Manalankoma
	Chowgaut	Attakooye
		Koorkooye
	Cochin	Maddoye
		Attepooram
Canara	Mangalore	
	Mulky	
	Munjashwer	
	Castergode	
	Coomblah	
	Bekul	
	Cantentcherry	
	Oodiawer	
	Pudbidry	
	Caup	
	Ouekil	
	Yermal	
	Baracor	
	Caudepoor	
	Naikunkuttah	
	Bindoor	
	Seeroor	
	Butkul	
	Sheerully	
	Mordesker	
	Munky	
	Coomtah	
	Honawer	
	Taddy	
	Sedasheguer	
	Gungavelly	
	Ankolah	
	Belekerry	
	Chendeyeh	
	Binnagay	
	Dodipay	

(Signed) H. Thornton
Secy to Govt Marine Board.

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Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.

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To the Acting Secretary to the Marine Board

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 5th April submitting for the remarks of the Board of Revenue a list of the Sea ports which it is proposed by the Marine Board should be brought under the operation of act XXII of 1855 I am directed to observe that the Board of Revenue were desirous of ascertaining the views of the Collectors of Maritime districts previous to forming a conclusive opinion on this subject, and in order to avoid unnecessary reference to the local officers, they requested to be favored with a perusal of the replies received by your Board in answer to this Circular addressed to Collectors, a copy of which accompanied your letter of the 20th March.

To the Ag Secy to the Marine Board

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In Cons: 15th May 1856.

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2 On referring however to para 18 of the Government Extract Minutes Consultation dated 21st February the Board observe that the proposal of the Marine Board to obtain a draft set of rules from each Collector, did not meet with the approval of Government and that they called upon your Board to circulate for the suggestions of the local officers a code of rules prepared in the Board's office.

3 As the Circular copy of which was received with your letter of the 20th March calls upon the district officers to frame the port rules, I am instructed to enquire whether no letter has been addressed by your Board to those officers of a later date explaining that these rules are not looked for from them.

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4 The Board of Revenue will be much obliged by your favoring them with a copy of such letter if it should exist and of any replies as yet received. They propose in the event of no subsequent circular having been dispatched by your Board to address Collectors on this subject themselves.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
17th May 1856.

/Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary

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No. 115.

To

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

(746)

Bd. No. 1329.
From the Collector of Tinnevelly.

Sir,

With reference to my Predecessor's letter to you of 20th January 1855, and to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue in reply dated the 22d February following conveying the sanction of Government for Defending at the public expense O. S. Nos. 13 and 14 of 1854 on the file of the Principal Sudder Ameen's Court of this District, I have the honor to inform you that the suits in question having been after the regular answers were put in dismissed with costs by decrees of the above Court the Plaintiffs moved the Civil Court on the subject who direct the attention of the Principal Sudder Ameen to the provisions of Section X Regulation XV of 1816 and to the Rule II of the Civil Procedure.—

2. Accordingly the Principal Sudder Ameen has revived the two suits Viz. Nos. 13 and 14 of 1854 the Plaintiffs having in the

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the mean time presented Amended Plaints I therefore request you will be good enough to procure the Sanction of Government for defending the Suits at the publices expense.

3. Translations of the Decrees in the two Suits in question the order passed by the Civil Judge in Motions Nos. 484 and 485 of 1855 and of the amended Plaints now filed by the Plaintiffs in the Principal Sudder Ameen's Court are herewith forwarded for the information of the Board.

4. I beg to Submit as my opinion that Answers in the terms of the draft received from the Board of Revenue with their Proceedings of 22d February 1855 referred to in para 1 of this letter will do very well for the amended Plaints.—

The time for filing answers will expire on the 3d Proximo.

Tinnevelly
Collector's Circuit Cutcherry
Trichendoor 18th April 1856.

(Signed) J. Silver
Collector

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Enc 1.

Translation of a Decree passed by the Principal Sudder Ameen of Tinnevelly in O. S. No. 13 of 1854 on the file of his Court.—

Plaintiff.	Defendants
Pariah Gopaulen residing in the Cusbah Shermadavy of the Shermadavy Talook Vakeel Sungaralingum Pillay	C. J. Bird Esqr. Collector of Tinnevelly 1 C. Whittingham Esqr. Sub Collector 2 Butch Row Head Sheristadar 3 Konary Row Sub Collectors Sheristadars 4 Appavoo Moodeliar Tahsildar of the Shermadavy Talook 5 and Veenayagum Pillay Nattamum of the Cusbah of the said Talook 6. Government Vakeel sashagherry Rajah

The Plaintiff prays for the recovery of a Sum of Rupees 31 collected from him Contrary to the Board's letter of 13th November 1836 to the Circular orders issued under date the 6th December of the same year to the Endorsement given by

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by the Sub Collector under date the 23d February 1837 and to the terms of the Moochilka subsequently taken from him and others in part payment of Rupees 171 being the amount of Peermash due on seed Cottahs 5-9-2/8 (forming part of the land in his holdings) which suffered from short produce in the Peshanum season of 1854 and requests remission of the remaining sum of Rupees 140-

2. The answer put in by the Defendants consists of a demurrer to the jurisdiction of the Court to entertain the suit which refers to remission.-

3. The reply states that the suit may well be entertained as it relates to over collection.-

4. The rejoinder supports the Answer.-

Decree.

5. During the perusal of the Pleadings in the case to enable the Court to give points it was found that the Plaint appeared to relate in one place to excess Collection and in another to remission and not to have been drawn up in plain terms to ascertain

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the precise object of the action consequently the suit has been dismissed with costs and the Plaintiff further adjudged to bear also the expenses incurred by the Defendants

Particulars of costs-

Value of stamp paper used by the Defendants	1-4-0
Fees of Defendants Vakeel	3-8-10
Total costs of the Defendants to be paid by the Plaintiff	4-12-10
Value of stamp paper used by the Plaintiff	9-8-0
Half fees of the Plaintiffs Vakeel	1-12-5
Batta paid to peon who served Summons	1-4-0
Total costs of the Plaintiff to be borne by himself	12-8-5

Decreed on the 2d August 1855-

Given under my hand and the seal of the Principal Sudder Ameen's Court of Tinnevelly this 29th day of September 1855-

In Conformity with the order of the Sudder Udalut No. 348 no Compromise entered into by both parties will lie

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be valid unless it first receives the sanction of this Court.-

No motion requesting the execution of this Decree presented after a lapse of 12 years shall be accepted unless it be shewn that a delay was owing to any of the Causes mentioned in Clause fourth Section XVIII Regulation II of 1802.-

The party appealing from this Decision should with his appeal Petition tender competent Security. If the Security first offered was not approved of the party will have to lose this claim for making an appeal.-

The term of appeal will expire on the 28th October 1855.

(Signed) Venkatachelliah
Pr. Sudr Ameen.

(True Translation)
(Signed) J. Silver
Collector

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Enc 2.

Translation of a Decree passed by the Principal Sudder Ameen of Tinnevelly in Original Suit No. 14 of 1854 on the file of this Court.

Plaintiff	Defendants.
Teroomaly Butter residing in the Cusbah Shermadavy of the Shermadavy Talook Vallaneb Nellicoomaroo Pillay-	1. J. Bird Esqr Collector of Tinnevelly 1 2. Whittingham Esqr Sub Collector 2 Butcha Row Head sheristadar 3 Konary Row Sub Collectors sheristadar 4 Appavoo Moodelliar Tahsildar of the Shermadavy Talook 5- and Venayagum Pillay Mr. Curnum of the Cusbah of the said Talook 6. Government Vakeel Sashagherry rajah.-

The Plaintiff prays for the recovery of a Sum of Rupees 29-1-a- levied contrary to the Board's letter of 13th November 1836 to the Circular Orders issued

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issued under date the 6th December of the same year to the Endorsement given by the Sub Collector under date the 23d February 1837 and to the terms of the Moochilka subsequently taken from him and others on seed Cottah 1-18-5 (forming part of the land in this holding) which suffered from short produce in the Peshanum season of 1854.-

2. The answer put in by the Defendants consists of a demurrer to the jurisdiction of the Court to entertain the Suit which refers to remission.-

3. The reply states that the Suit may well be entertained as it relates to overcollection.-

4. The rejoinder supports the answer.-

5. During the perusal of the Pleadings in the case to enable the Court to give Degree points it was found that the Plaint had not been drawn up in plain terms to ascertain whether the action related to remission or to over collection. As one part

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part of the Plaint appears to refer to remission while another part seems to relate to excess Collection the Suit has been dismissed with Costs and the Plaintiff further adjudged to bear also the expenses incurred by the Defendants.-

Particulars of Cost

	Rs. a. P.
Value of Stamp paper used by the Defendants	1-4-0
Fees of Defendants Vakeel	1-7-2
Total costs of the Defendants to be paid by the Plaintiff	2-11-2
Value of Stamp paper used by the Plaintiff	3-8-0
Half fees of the Plaintiffs Vakeel	0-11-7
Batta paid to peon who served Summons	1-4-0
Total costs of the Plaintiff to be borne by himself	5-7-7

Decreed on the 2d August 1855.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Principal Sudder Ameens Court of Linnevelly this 29th day of September 1855.

In

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In conformity with the orders of the Sudder Adalut No. 48 no Compromise entered into by both parties will be valid unless it first receives the Sanction of this Court.-

No motion requesting the execution of this Decree presented after a lapse of 12 years shall be accepted unless it be shewn that the delay was owing to any of the causes mentioned in Clause fourth Section XVIII Regulation II of 1802.

The party appealing from this decision should with his appeal Petition tender Competent Security. If the security first offered was not approved of the party will have to lose his claim for making an appeal.

The term of appeal will expire on the 28th October 1855.-

(Signed) Venkatachelliah.
Pl. St. Ameen

(True Translation)
(Signed) J. Silver
Collector

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Enc 3.

Translation of an order passed on the Motion referred to the Zillah Court of Tinnevelly in No. 484 of 1855 by the Plaintiff in Suit No. 13 of 1854 on the file of the Principal Sudder Ameens Court at Tinnevelly under date the 10th November 1855.-

The Principal Sudder Ameens dismissing the suit on the plea that the precise object of the action has not been plainly stated in the Plaint is contrary to the provisions of Section X Regulation ~~XV~~ of 1816 and to the Rule II contained in page 7 of a Book Entitled Civil Procedure which state that deficiency in Plaints of the above kind can be supplied by the party.-

The Civil Judge therefore resolves to direct the Principal Sudder Ameen to to abide by the orders above quoted.-

10th November 1855.

A.

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A similar order has been passed on the motion presented to the Zillah Court in No. 485 of 1855 by the Plaintiff in Suit No. 14 of 1854 on the file of the said Principal Sudder Ameen's Court 24th November 1855.

(Signed) C. H. Woodgate
Civil Judge

(True translation)
(Signed) J. Silver
Collector

Enc 4.

Translation of a Plaint preferred to the Principal Sudder Ameen of Tinnevelly by Paria Gopalier son of Alavattar Ellappiah a Cultivator and aged 42 years residing in the Cusbah of the Sheremadany Taloork against C. J. Bird Esqre Collector of Tinnevelly, C. Whittingham Esqre Sub Collector of Do. Bacha Row Headshristadar and Konary Row Division Shiristadar of the said District Appavoo Moodeliar Tahsildar and Venayagum Pillay Cusbah Number Curnum of the above Talook. —

1. The practice observed in

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this District as regards Nunjah lands was to divide the outturn thereof between the Ryots and Government while on triennial and decennial leases in Money were introduced During the Course of these leases the Ryots were distressed - Consequently the average quantity of the Fasleah grain of the 7 years during which the Lands were under Dumany was fixed as the permanent assessment payable and I and others who are the Ryots of the Sheremadany Talook were required to enter into a Mouchilka binding ourselves to pay the value thereof in Money at the current selling price - As droughts and Short produce had been occurred in some places the Government added the outturn of the full produce Lands of one season and that of the Short produce Lands of another together and made a heavy Collection under the Cuttage System which produced Several Ryots to poverty - Therefore I and others declined to give our Consent to the Moongoo System

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System Consequently the Lands re=
=mained under Amanny- The late Collector
Mr. Eadie addressed a letter to the
Board recommending the discontinuance
of the Cottage System and Requesting
permission to take on account of Rail
=nearem half of the estimated out turn of
those Lands which suffered from short
produce either in Bass or Peshanum
and the Board accordingly granted his
Request in their order of 13th Novembr
1836 Orders founded on these pro=
=ceedings were sent to the Talooks under
date the 6th December of that year
The late sub Collector Mr. Bishop
under date the 23d February 1837
gave me (the Plaintiff) and others an
Endorsement to that effect- Thereupon
I (the Plaintiff) and others having agreed
to the terms of the Moochilka in which
the above particulars were mentioned
mutual agreements between the Cirear
myself and others were exchanged which
were observed up to the

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2 Drought and Short produce Raining
occurred during the Peshanum season of
Fusly 1263 from want of Rain throughout
the District the 1st and 2d Estimates of
the outturn of Lands in dispute were
formed by the Talook Servants and
accounts sent to the Huzzoor- The
2d Defendant personally inspected
the Lands and ordered me to cut away
the short Crops as per estimate after
giving a Petition to that effect
Accordingly I and others gave petitions
under date the 18th March 1854 and got
our Crops Reaped-

3 The quantity of grain which
the short produce lands of seven Cottahs
5-3-4 7/8 in the Cawleah and 5 Meraels
and 5 3/4 measures of land in Coreil
puttoo Village to the belonging to me
(the Plaintiff) were estimated to yield
in grain Cottahs 18-5-1 and grain
Meraels 18 respectively or both together
grain Cottahs 19-2-1 The Railmearem
due to Government according to the Moochilka
above adverted to is grain Cottahs 9-11-1 1/2

In

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In addition to this the Defendants to have
escaeted from me (the Plaintiff) a sum
of Rupees 71-0-0 being the value of grain
Cottahs 22-6-1½ at Rupees 3-2-11
per Cottah - I therefore pray for the
Recovery of the same -

4 This suit has been brought
against the 6 Defendants in Consequence
of the 1st and 2d Defendants having or-
dered a Puttah to be made out in my
name for excess Teerwah in opposition
to the spirit of the Documents above alluded
to and given me Endorsements in support
of the Cuttage System the 3d and 4th having
drawn up the said Endorsements and of
the 5th Defendant having forcibly collect
-ed the excess Teerwah from me - The 6th
Defendant is included in Consequence of
his having passed a Receipt to me for the
amount overcollected from me Contrary
to Customs and to the purport of the said
Documents -

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Particulars

Name of the Village	Name of the Puttahs	Nos. of Fasuan	Nos. of Fields 1st sort	Nos. of Fields 2d sort	Nos. of Fields Rate	Extent Se	Extent In	Extent Rs	Quantity of Maimaram grain thereon Gl	Quantity of Maimaram grain thereon Cb	Quantity of Maimaram grain thereon Rs	Estimated quantity of grain Gl	Estimated quantity of grain Cb	Estimated quantity of grain Rs
Cudalah Village	Dany Puttah	15	23	1		3	2½		19			4		
Do	Dany Maha	3	3	1		2	1		20	6½		9	2	
Do	Do Do	11	1	1		1	2 5/8		4	4			2	
Do	Do Do	11	2	1		8	7/8		2	6	7		5	
Do	Do Do	16	22	1		5	6½		1	16	2	2	13	
Do	Palaconidoo	2	1	3		1	6		8	7		4	2	
Do	Do	2	2	1			2¼		2	4			2	
Do	Do	2	2	2		1	7/8		12	7½		1	1	
Do	Do	5	1	1		1	3¼		7	1¼			1	
Do	Sethayan thee = renu	7	13	1		5	13/4		1	7		1	5	2
Do	Do Vadakku	2	19	1		1	2 3/8		2	11	2	1	5	2
Do	Do Do	3	3	2		1	7¾		9	2			2	
Do	Do Do	6	2	1		5	7¾		1	9	2½		7	
Do	Do Do	8	1	1		4	5/8		10			7		
Do	Do Do	8	7	1		5	3½		1	5¼		20		
Do	Do Do	8	4	1		6	3/8		1	20	1½	1	6	
Do	Do Do	10	1	1		3	6 3/8		13	1		2	5	
Do	Parammowa = ruvu Vadakku	2	1	1		1	1 3/8		2	10	7	1	3	
Do	Do Thekku	2	17	1		10	2 5/8		3	1	6	2	12	
Do	Do Do	2	19	2		4	5¾		3	16	7	3	2	
Do	Do Do	4	6	1		4	6¾		1	6	7½	1	5	
D	D Do	5	25	1			2 7½			19	2½		10	4
D	D Do	5	22	1			2 3¾			17	5½		8	
Totah esctent in the Cudalah Village						5	3	4 3/8	30	1	1	18	5	1
Conilputtu Village	Paramasiva = ruvu Vadakku	3	22	1			5	5 3/4	1	17			18	

Signed Paria Gopalen
True Translation
Signed J. Silver
Collr

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Enc. No. 5

Translation of a Plaint preferred to the Principal Sudder Ameen of Tinnevelly by Seroomalay Puttee son of Aulaghery Venkittanaranier residing in the Cusbah of the Shermadavy Talook against C. I. Bird Esqr. Collector of Tinnevelly & Whittingham Esqr. Sub Collector of Dt. Packa Row Head Sheristadar and Kontary Row Division Sheristadar of the said District & Appavoo Moodiliar Tahsildar and Venayagum Pillay Cusbah Numbers Curnum of the above Talook.

1 The practice observed in this District as regards Punjah lands was to devide the out turn thereof between the Ryots and Govern-ment while so triennial and decennial leases in money were introduced. During the Course of these leases the Ryots were distressed & consequently the average quantity of the Melwa-ram grain of the 7 years during which the lands were under Ammany was fixed as the permanent assessment in kind and Punjah others who are the Ryots of the Shermadavy Talook were required to enter into a

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Moochilka binding overselves to pay the value thereof in money at the Current selling price. As Drought and short produce had then occurred in some places the Govern-ment added the outturn of the full produce lands of one season and that of the short produce lands of another together and made a heavy collection under the centage System which reduced several Ryots to poverty. Therefore Punjah others declined to give out Consent to the Oloongoo System Consequently the lands remained under Ammany. The late Collector Mr. Eden addressed a letter to the Board recommending the discontinuance of the Centage System and requesting permission to take on account of Melwaram half of the estimated out-turn of those lands which suffered from short produce either in Carr or Peshanum and the Board accordingly granted his request in their order of 13th November 1836 Orders founded on these Proceedings were sent to

the

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the Talooks under date the 6th December of that year The late Sub Collector Mr. Bishop under date the 23d February 1837 gave me (the Plaintiff) and others an Endorsement to that effect Thereupon I (the Plaintiff) and others having agreed to the terms of the Moochilka in which the above particulars were mentioned mutual agreements between the Circar myself and others were exchanged which were observed up to the end of Fusly 1262.

2 Draught and short produce having occurred during the Peshanum season of Fusly 1263 from want of rain throughout the District the 1st and 2d Estimates of the out-turn of lands in dispute were formed by the Talook Servants and accounts sent to the Huzzoor. The 2d Defendant personally inspected the lands and ordered us to cut away the short crops as per Estimate after giving a petition to that effect. Accordingly I and others gave Petitions under date the 18th March 1854 and got our crops reaped.

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3 The quantity of grain which the short produce lands of said Cottahs 1-18-5 situated in the Tenshah and belonging to me (the Plaintiff) were estimated to yield is grain Cottahs 7-6-2 The Peishcush due thereon to Government according to the Moochilka above adverted to is grain Cottahs 3-13-5 In addition to this the Defendants have exacted from me (the Plaintiff) a sum of Rupees 29-1-4 being the value of grain Cottahs 9-2-6½ Therefore pray for the Recovery of the same

4 This suit has been brought against the 6th Defendant in consequence of the 1st and 2d Defendants having ordered a Pottah to be made out in my name for excess Teerwah in opposition to the spirit of the Documents above alluded to and given me Endorsements in support of the Cottage system the 3d and 4th having drawn up the said Endorsements and of the 5th Defendant having forcibly Collected the excess Teerwah from me The 6th Defendant is included in consequence of his having passed

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passed as Receipt to issue for the amount over Collected from inc. Contrary to Customs and to the purport of the said documents -

Particulars

Name of the Village	Name of the Kuttay	No. of Hummums	Fields No. of Sec	Fields No. of Shady	Extent			Quantity Malwa: rem grain thereon			Estimated quantity of grain		
					Rs	As	Ps	Gs	As	Ps	Gs	As	Ps
Cuolah Village	Dasy Relacka	3	20	1	"	3	15/8	1	7	3/4	"	10	"
	Do Do	13	19	1	"	6	7 1/8	1	7	"	1	1	"
	Do Do	"	22	1	"	2	6 5/8	"	12	1/2	"	3	"
	Do Do	14	22	1	"	4	7	1	6	5	1	1	"
	Dany Maka	4	7	"	"	9	5 5/8	4	9	3	3	5	2
	Do	9	2	"	"	8	33/8	2	10	6 1/2	"	18	"
	Do	2	20	1	"	4	55/8	1	5	3 1/2	"	10	"
Total extent in the Cuolah Village					1	18	5	12	16	3 1/4	7	6	2

(Signed) Teroonaly Buttoo
(True translation)
(Signed) J. Silver
Collector

(746-747)

Bd No. 1504 -

Proceedings thereon - The Board of Revenue observe that the sanction of Government has already been obtained for the defence of the Suits brought by the Plaintiff here referred to the present Plaints are merely Amendments of those formerly filed and the draft answers ~~furnished~~ to the Collector under date the 22d February 1855 shall be filed and the defence Conducted under the orders of Government dated the 17th of that month No 208 -

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No 75

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

(748)

Bd No. 1675
From the Collr of Vizagapatam

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th ultimo and to forward herewith an amended Returns of Salt warehouse for fasly 1264 prepared according to the form Received -

2 The quantity of salt sold in Rasipolam has been deducted as ordered and shown in a foot note of the above account.

Vizagapatam Collectors office 8th May 1850

(Signed) P. B. Smallett
Collector

Statements

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Fort St. George 15th May 1856

Statement Showing the particulars of Wastage of Salt in the District of Tinnevelly for July 1204

Names of Divisions	Month in which stored	No. of Corps in which was stored the salt	Contents of the Corps when received	Authorized allowance of 1½ Corps when sold	Wastage of the whole on Column No. 4	Value of the wastage at the Sircar price	Value of the wastage sold at the Sircar price	Percentage of wastage for each Corps as fixed by the Collector
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Sivagiri	July 1202	29	34727	28 32791	5	1930	9 2	4
" 1203		8	8406	30 8218	3½	187	15 5	4
		37	43134	24 40010	2½	2124	8 7	4
Pellamcotta	July 1202	35	41724	12 40466	10	1258	2 10	4
" 1203		10	09038	24 10712	25	225	15 7	4
		45	52062	36 51178	35	1483		4
Tenadai	July 1203	40	40382	32 43383	35	998	14-10	
	July 1203	35	40227	12 39240	35	980	6-10	
Tinnevelly	July 1203	62	70452	" 73257	15	3194	10-4	
" 1203		93	100135	24 103750	12½	2999	4-8	
		157	182057	24 177013	27½	5593	14-8	

Vide 1 Tolls kept at the Grace at 1½ Rs each, 1140
2 Confiscated Salt kept at 6 24-48 - 6-10-0
2 surplus of salt - - 13 - - 3-2
1 Sundry salt - - - 35 - - 14-7

Signature of Collector

/ Signed / S. D. Smollett
Collector.

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No. 81.

To

G. S. Forbes Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

(749)

Bd. No. 1861
From the collector
of South Arcot.

Sir

Fort St. George

Adverting to Extract from the Proce
dings of the Board of Revenue dated 21st April 1856
No. 1222, and the Extract from the Minutes of Consulta
tion under date 12th idem which accompanied it, I have
the honor to remind the Board that I am at present
without any English Types for the Printing Press
and that Consequently I am unable to do any
work for the Court, here or for the Depart
ment of Public Works excepting the few papers
they occasionally require being printed in Tamil.

I beg to represent the expediency
of my being supplied with English Types as
soon as posible.

South Arcot
Collectors Cutcherry
Cuddalore
8th May 1856.

/ Signed / A. Hall
Collector

Bd. No. 1138
To the collector
of South Arcot.
Dy January 15th may 56.

To The collector of
South Arcot

Sir.

With reference to your letter dated 8th
Instant.

Fort St. George 17th May 1856.

Instant; I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you, that they have dispatched to you this day by a Cart, 5 boxes containing English types and other printing materials.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
17th May 1856.

/Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary

(749-751)
Bd. No. 1287
To the Directors of Public Instructions

To
The Director of Public Instructions

Dated 8th Submitted 17th May

Sir

With reference to a letter from the Collector of South Arcot/ Copy of which is forwarded herewith/ stating that no English types were available for the Press at Cuddalore, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you that the English types which they had proposed to send to your Department, in lieu of what was supposed to have been transferred to Mr Hall have been forwarded to him.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
17th May 1856.

/Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary

(752)
Bd. No. 1676
From the Collector of Rajahmundry

No. 28.

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

Sir

With reference to your letter under date the 21st April last

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to forward herewith the revised Statement of Salt wastage for Fusly 1264, in the new form and with the foot note as required in the 2d Para of your letter.

2. In reply to para 3, I have the honor to inform you that up to December 1854 the Salt was stored with the Mercals hitherto in use and called the "old mercals," which were found on Comparison with the weighed Maund to be 2½ Seers in the Maund deficient. In the month of December 1854 the "new Mercals" which had been supplied on indent from Madras through the Board, were taken into use. On examination it was found that they held 2 Seers in the Maund more than the old measures, there being still a deficiency of half a Seer as Compared with the weighed Maund. The Salt which had previously been stored with the old measures was sold with the new, hence a deficiency arose of 2 Seers in each Maund which of Course Considerably enhanced the wastage. The same reasoning will apply to the deficiency Caused by Salt stored by the old Mercals being sold by weight seeing as has been before stated, that the old Mercals were found to be deficient 2½ Seers to the Maund. This deficiency entered in the accounts as wastage only occurred in Fusly 1264, as prior to that time no Salt stored by measurement was sold by weight.

Rajahmundry District
Collrs Office Bundamoorlumka
9th May 1856.

/Signed/ A. Purvis
Collector

Statement.

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Statement shewing the particulars of wastage of Salt in the District of Rajahmundry in Fusly 1264.

Names of the Divisions	1	Fusly in which Stored	2	33 lbs. deld in weight wastage allowed	3	Contents of the heaps when Stored	4	Outturn of the heaps when Sold	5	Wastage	6	Centage of the wastage on Column 4	7	Value of the wastage Salt at the Prime Cost	8	Value of the wastage Salt at the Monopoly price	9	Per centage of wastage proved full upon final settlement	10
						Mds	s	Mds	s	Mds	s			Rs	A P	Rs	A P		
Pittapoor		1263	277	336790	20	310231	26559	20		7	35 7	1217	5 1	26559	8 "	"	
		1264	81	91514	"	85773	5771	"		6	12 2	264	8 1	5771	" "	"	
Total			358	428334	20	396004	32330	20		7	21 14	1481	13 1	32330	8 "	"	
Nagattore		1263	44	51989	"	49047	2942	"		5	26 5	159	5 9	2942	" "	"	
Total		1263	321	388779	20	359278	29501	20		7	23 8	1376	10 9	29501	8 "	"	
		1264	81	91514	"	85773	5771	"		6	12 2	264	8 1	5771	" "	"	
Grand Total			402	480293	20	445051	35272	20		7	13 9	1641	2 10	35272	8 "	"	

N. B.
23 heaps amounting to 2760 Bengal Maunds of Salt were sold wholesale during the Fusly and are not included in this Statement. —

Rajahmundry District Collectors Office Bundamoorlunka 9th may 1856.

/signed/ A. Purvis
Collector —

(752-753) Order thereon

Ordered to lie over. —

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Bd. of Rev. Secy. from the Registrar Genl. Commerce

Official Memorandum

In reply to a Memo receivd from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue dated 8th Instt. (754)

Sir,

I have the honor to state for the information of the Board that the Abstract Statements of Trade (Pages 388) the Registrar of General Commerce has transmitted, will be forwarded as soon as they are received from the Dists.

Madras Genl. Registrar Genl. Commerce Office 9th May 1856.

/Signed/ W. C. Underwood
Registrar Genl. Commerce

Ordered to be recorded.

Order thereon.

(754-755)

Resolved that the following

Bd. of Rev. Proceedings thereon.

(756)

Proceedings the despatched.

Bd. of Rev. 1856 Proceedings thereon.

In Case 18 of these Proceedings the Collector of Tirumulvaur submits for the sanction of Government a call for information as to the circumstances which are considered to entitle the Village of Tirumulvaur Dumoodrum in the Talem District to special reduction to the amount fixed by the Collectors report of the 26th ultimo.

Submy. Rejd. 28 Augt. 1856 No. 1856.

Shown in the Collectors report of the 26th ultimo No. 50.

2.

In reply the Board have the honor to

to request the attention of Government to the papers noted in the margin. They will observe that after a long correspondence the reductions in question were granted under the orders of Government on clear proof of their being emergently required. The facts of the case may be thus briefly recapitulated. The Village in question was one of the over assessed Villages under the Cauvery channels in Salem, but was an agraharam given on a jodegi or quit rent to certain Brahmins. The jodegi was below the full assessment but still so high as to render the lands little valuable the Brahmins refused to admit their joint responsibility for the revenue and on the Collector insisting on making it

3052 From Salem 13th Novr inlcons 4th December 1843
3309 From Dr 12th Decr 1843 inlcons 8th January 1844
625 Proceedings to Salem 4th April 1844
408 From Salem 21st Jany inlcons 20th Feby 1845
572 To Dr 3d March 1845
2195 From Dr 18th August inlcons 23d October 1845
2550 To Government 10th November 1846
3692 From Dr 2d Inlcons 11th Decr 1845 & 1796
2815 Proceedings to Salem 11th Decr 45 Contg Orders of Govt
2264 From Salem 18th July Inlcons 6th Augt 1846.
1738 Proceedings to Govt 6th August 1846
2635 From Govt 26th Augt inlcons 17th Sept 1846 & 866
1981 Proceedings to Salem 17th September 1846
3104 From Salem 15th Novr 1847 inlcons 6th March 1848 P. 57.58.
2231 Proceedings to Govt & Salem 17th September 1848. P. 13.
3009 From Salem 6th Novr 1849 inlcons 20th Jany 1850 P. 57.58.
964 Pro. to Govt & Salem 13th May 1850 P. 18.
1330 From Govt 7th Inlcons 13th June 1850. P. 9.
1174 Proceedings to Salem 13th June 1850.
2665 From Salem 13th Octr Inlcons 6th Novr 1851. P. 12
173 From Salem 16th Jany inlcons 9th Feby 1852.
291 Proceedings to Salem 9th February 1852
570 From Salem 2d March inlcons 22d April 1852
731 Proceedings to Salem 22d April 1852.
1070 From Salem 1st inlcons 13th May 1852
894 Proceedings to Salem 13th D.
1827 Pro to Govt & Salem 13th Sept 1852 P. 29
2061 From Salem 28th Augt inlcons 20th Sept 1852
From Govt 26th June 1851, & 748. | G. O. B. Vol. 5. Page 21.
From Dr 10th July 1851, & 806 |
Bds circular 31st Augt 1851, Para 10 |
1139 From Salem 26th April inlcons 7th June 1855

parties, they refused to pay their rents and the agraharm was attached and incorporated with the Government lands. On being so incorporated the land became liable for the full Survey assessment, because it had not participated in reductions made by Mr Hargrave on all the Cauvery lands except those held on favorable quit rent. But the Survey assessment was higher than the land could pay and it was essentially necessary now to extend to these lands the reductions which had been formally made on those around them. The Government have observed that the whole Village with the exception of one acre was cultivated and that this fact would seem to contradict the supposition that there was urgent and special need in this Village for a reduction. But it is shown in the correspondence that the land was only cultivated because a yearly remission was made to the extent of the reduction since effected and that when the full assessment was demanded the lands were abandoned. The

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3. The Government have further observed that as the whole of the land with so small an exception was cultivated the only source from which the loss Rupees 75 11 3 was to be recovered appears to be the small extent of waste bearing an assessment after the reductions of Rupees 2 8 6 But as has just been stated no loss has really accrued, the sum reduced being one which never was and never could be collected. The only loss which the Government incurred was from the endeavours made to realise the full assessment which led to the abandonment of the lands, and a loss to Government of Rupees 2955 12 7 which was written off the accounts by order of Government under Date 26th August 1846 No 866. The reduction must also be decided as a part of Mr Hargrave's general reduction. The mootahs in which these lands are included failed and reverted with many others to the Government in a state of ruin. Mr Hargrave made a revision of the assessment* of the lapsed Mootahs which though unfortunately cancelled generally was allowed to hold good with reference to these cawary lands, and the result has been that the Government are now receiving in the mootahs where Mr Hargrave's reductions held good much more than the permanent Peishcush of the Estates.

4. The Board of Revenue trust that the above facts will satisfy the Government as to the necessity for the reductions which the Board ordered the collectors to carry out, under the orders of Government Dated the 10th July 1845 No 806. The Boards or

F. Coll. 18th July
Inlosure 6th August 46.

Inclosure 17th Sept. 46.

*In about the year 1816.

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Received the undermentioned

757 Miscellaneous letters and Statements.

My No 1157
From the Collector of Madras. List of letters addressed to the Board and remaining unanswered up to the

758 31st March 1856.

1156.
From the Collector of Madras. List of letters received from the Board and remaining unanswered

759 up to 31st March 1856.

1160.
From the Collector of Nellore. Average Bazar Prices of

760 Grain for April 1856.

1161
From the Collector of Salem. Average Bazar Prices of Grain

761 for April 1856.

1162.
From the Collector of South Arcot. Average Bazar Prices of Grain

762 for April 1856.

1158
From the Collector of Trichinopoly. Average Bazar Prices

763 of Grain for April 1856.

1159
From the Collector of Malabar. Average Bazar Prices of Grain

764 for April 1856.

1154.
From the Collector of South Arcot. Statement of Salt petre

765 Shipped &c. during April 1856.

1155.
From the Collector of Canara. Informing that the export of Salt is blank for last months

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Ordered that the following Official Memorandum be sent.

(716-717)

B. No. 1481

Official Memorandum.

To The Chief Engineer. D. P. W.

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor, with reference to the Proceedings from the Chief Engineer, dated 15th Instant to forward to him the three Autographic Presses referred to.

In C. 16 May 1856 91 1688

Revenue Board Office, Fort St. George, 16th May 1856.

/ Signed / G. L. Forbes Secretary.

To The Chief Engineer.

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Department Public Works.

B. No. 1672

From H. Forbes Esqr. Asst. Member of the B. of Revenue

In the Supreme Court Madras.

I, Henry Forbes, do promise, and swear, that I will, to the utmost of My endeavours, well and faithfully execute and discharge the duties of an officer of Revenue, reposed in, and committed to me, by the East India Company, and that I will not demand, take, or accept directly or indirectly, by Myself, or

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by any other person, for my use, or on my behalf, of or from any Rajah, Zemindar, Talookdar, Poligar, Farmer, Renter, or Ryot, or from any person paying or liable to pay any tribute, rent or tax, to or for the use of the Said Company, any sum of Money, or other valuable thing, by way of Gift, Present, or otherwise over and above, or besides and except, the actual tribute, rent or tax, authorizing to be taken by and for the use of the said Company, and that I will justly and truly account for, answer, and pay all the rents, duties, and other revenues, and Sums of money, which shall come to my hands, or to the hands of any person, or persons, in trust for, or employed by me, as an Officer of the Revenue, of the Said Company, unto the said

said Company.

Sworn to before me this
16th day of May 1856. at
Madras,

/Signed/ Ch. Rawlinson
Chief Justice.

So help me God.

/Signed/ H. Forbes

True Copy
/Signed/ G. L. Forbes.
Secretary

(718-719)

Order thereon.

Ordered to be recorded.

Resolved that the following letters be despatched.

To

The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

(720)

B.o No. 1472.
To The Sec.y to Gov.t
Rev: Dep.t

Sir.

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to report that Henry Forbes Esq.r assumed his seat at the Board on the 16th May 1856 in pursuance of his appointment as acting Member, and that he has taken and registered the prescribed Oath in Her Majesty's Supreme Court at Madras in Conformity with the Notification of Government dated

19th May 1835. published at page 318 of the For.t St.e George Gazette for that year.

Revenue Board Office.
For.t St.e George,
16th May 1856.

/Signed/ G. L. Forbes
Secretary.

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To The Civil Auditor.

B.o No. 1471
To The Civil Auditor.

Sir

I have the honor to state that I assumed my seat at the Board of Revenue on the 16th May 1856 in pursuance of my appointment as acting Member and that I have taken and registered in the supreme Court the oath of office prescribed by Section II Regulation I A.D. 1803.

Revenue Board Office
For.t St.e George,
16th May 1856.

/Signed/ H. Forbes.
Acting Member
Board of Revenue.

(722)

Official Memorandum.

B.o No. 1480
To the Superintendent
Gun Carriage
Manufactory

The Secretary to the Board of Rev.e has the honor with reference to his letter of the 9th April 1856, to request the Superintendent of the Gun Carriage Manufactory will be so good as to expedite the transmission of the articles indented for under date 14th February 1856. as they are urgently required for the Provincial Presses which cannot

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cannot commence operations without them.-

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
16th May 1856.

/Signed/ G. S. Forbes
Secretary.

In No. 1561.
From the Collector of Madras. Read Indent on the Superintendent of Stationery for stationery required for the year 1856.-

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Order thereon.- Ordered that the original Indent be passed and forwarded to the secretary to the Military Board.-

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Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous letters and statements.-

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1146
From the Collector of Cuddapah. Statement shewing the

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1206
state of the Season for April 1856.-

From the Collector of North Arcot States that no Cases were disposed of under Regulation

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1207.
IX of 1822 for april 1856.-

From the Collector of North Arcot. States that no Village Officers were suspended or dismissed in April 1856.-

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Saturday the 17th May 1856.

Read the following Papers.

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No. 501.

Bd. No. 1616
From the Chief Secretary to Govt.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Judicial Department. Dated 13th May 1856.-

Read the following letter from the Magistrate of North Arcot.-

Furnishes information regarding a robbery which occurred in the Bouganoor Estate. . . . . /Here enter 29th April 1856.-

The Magistrate of North Arcot will inform Government of the result of the information alluded to in para 4 of his letter - as well as of any other intelligence that he may obtain. Connected with the robbery of Mr. Dillon. A letter from Mr. Dillon subsequently forwarded by the Magistrate gives strong reason for suspecting that the robbers are in league with the transit people. The Superintendent of Police at Madras has been desired to report to Government the result of the inquiry which he may institute in consequence of the communication to this effect made him by the Magistrate; Messrs Whittingham and Murray should also follow out this clue to the utmost in

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in their respective Districts.

2. The Magistrate of Cuddapah will state at what time the robbery was reported to him and what measures were adopted in Consequence, also what notice he has taken of the misconduct of the Village Officers referred to by Mr. Dillon; He will also report whether the Police of Poonganoor is in the Lands of the Poligar.

3. The Board of Revenue will inform Government of the reply to the Magistrate of North Arcot relative to the transfer to his District of the Poonganoor Pollium

4. The Post Master General will be requested to explain how it is that as represented by Mr. Whittingham the post from Palmanair to chittoor is two days.

/ True Extract /

/ Signed / T. Pycroft
Chief Secretary

To
The President and
Members of the
Board of Revenue

(728-729)

Order thereon. Ordered to be recorded Mr. Whittinghams reply to the order regarding the transfer of the Poonganoor will be Communicated to the Government when received.

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Bd. No. 7666
From the Secy to Government. } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department Dated 14th May 1856

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Stating that Govt have already directed the transfer of Poonganoor to the N. Arcot District from the Commencement / See 8120 in Separate Cover

Order thereon.

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(730-732)

Ordered also that the following letter be sent in reply.

Bd. No. 1501
To the chief Secy. to Government } To The Chief Secretary to Government.

Sir

Subons 17th May 1856

With reference to para 3 of Extract Minutes Consultation 13th May 1856 Judicial Department No. 501, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to state that orders have been passed in the Revenue Department of the Government Office respecting the transfer of Poonganoor to the North Arcot district at the Commencement of the approaching Fasly.

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/ Signed / G. S. Forbes
Secretary

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Bd. No. 817
From the chief Secy to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Judicial Department Dated 14th May 1856.

No. 505

Sanctioning the employment for 6 months of 60 peons and a Duffadar at a monthly cost of Rs. 77 in the District of Chingleput and resolving to report these Proceedings for the confirmation of the Supreme Government.

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

/ Here enter 15th April 1856 /

Read also the following Letter

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Letter from the Magistrate of Chingleput Submitting a report on the highway robbery Committed on Major General Grantham on the western Trunk Road on the night of the 5th Instant. (Here entered 11th April 1856)

With the first of the foregoing papers the Board of Revenue Submit Correspondence with the Collector of Chingleput relative to an application made by that Officer for the employment of 60 additional Peons with a Duffadar for 6 months at a monthly Cost of Rupees 217

2. It is represented that the present establishment of Revenue and Police Peons in the District is quite inadequate for the performance of the duties required of it. and that the want of extra aid is felt generally in all the Talooks but especially in Sydapet in Consequence of its proximity to Madras and the Mount and Palaveram Cantonments. It is shown that of the 83 Peons attached on an average to each Taluk there are only 22 avail-

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duties of the District for the preservation of peace apprehension of robbers, and several other peculiar duties and that very many of the Tanahs have only one Peon attached to them. For these reasons and adverting to the nature of the season which is likely to lead to an extension of crime. the Board of Revenue support the Collector's recommendation that Sanction be granted for the temporary employment of additional Peons to the extent referred to in Para 1.

3. The second of the papers above recorded is a reply to Extract Minutes Consultation of the 11th April 1856 N°368, calling upon the Magistrate of Chingleput for the particulars of an attack recently made upon Major General Grantham by a party of robbers at about 4 miles from Poonamallee and for information as to what arrangements had been previously made for the protection of travellers in that road. In reference to this latter point Mr. Shubrick adverts to the application made by him to the Board for extra aid and to the insufficiency of the present Establishment. He adds that it is Customary to have Tanahs at various intervals along the trunk Roads but that as the number of Peons Stationed is never more than two and frequently one with the Police duties of 8 or 10 Villages to attend to the protection afforded cannot

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My 8th 1208.
From the Collector of Masulipatam. Rain Report
767 for February 1856.—
1211
From the Collector of Masulipatam. Rain Report
768 for March 1856.—
1215
From the Collector of Canara. Rain Report for
769 March 1856.—
1210
From the Collector of Guntoor. Rain Report for
770 April 1856.—
1212
From the Collector of Nellore. Rain Report
771 for April 1856.—
1209
From the Collector of South Arcot. Rain Report
772 for April 1856.—
1214
From the Collector of Tanjore. Rain Report
773 for April 1856.—
1213
From the Collector of Malabar. Rain Report
for April 1856.—