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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue,

Saturday 11th July 1857.

Read the following Papers.

No. 82.

Bd. No. 1976.
From the Ag Collr
of Tanjore

To,
J. D. Ann, Esqre
Ag Secy to the Board of Revenue,
Fort St George.

Sir,

Gat. No. 708 of 1857
Fd. No. 40
× Herewith returned

In reporting upon the petition noted in the Margin × referred to me by the Board's Endorsement of the 8th April 1857, I have the honor to state, that the land therein referred to is an Enam garden at Cumbaconum on which stand a number of houses, and that it is designated in the Survey accounts to the Mokasa Tottum of Yasamuta Row Bin Cassa Tottum of Yasamuta Row Bin Rajah Doreegay the lineal heir of the original grantee thereof in possession.

There are no grants forthcoming in support of the Enam; but it has been enjoyed rent free since about 180 years, having originally been given, as is stated by a former Rajah, named Yakajee, to one Alungee Banda Rajah, naming Yakajee, to one Alungee Banda Rajah, naming Yakajee, to our Alungee Banda Rajah, naming Yakajee, to our Alungee Banda Rajah, naming Yakajee, to our

daughters including Petitioner & Petitioner states that the garden in question was inherited by her jointly with one Anturaram Davakur, the son of one of her deceased sisters. She further states that on the death of Anturaram Davakur, one Melakunt Row, styling himself an adopted son, and in league with the other sisters son Bauboo Row, has ousted her of the possession of her share in the Enam. She therefore wishes to sue them both in the Court for its recovery.—

The Enam being of an ancient date and the original family having held for a long period undisturbed possession which there is no reason to believe was surreptitiously obtained. I think the permission desired by her to institute a suit against her copartners may be granted under Regulation IV of 1831. irrespective of the result of the temporary attachment under which the Enam is now held in connection with the Mocassa Villages, and lands managed by the Hgh. rep the late Rajah.

Tanjore, Collrs Office, 23rd May 1837.

/signed/ H. D. Phillips. Ag Collector.

Bd No 2361.

Order thereon. 1.

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Ordered that the above letter be laid before Government with reference to the Endorsement dated 27th March (57) on Petition No 708 of 1857.—

2. The Enam in question has been enjoyed rent free for 180 years, and is stated to have been granted by a former Rajah to one Alwyer Dasiayer of whom Petitioner's father is the last descendant in the male line.—

3. The Enam being of ancient date and the original family having for a long period held undisturbed possession, which there is no reason to believe was surreptitiously obtained, the Board concur in thinking a compliance with Petitioners request for permission to sue unobjectionable.

4. The petition is herewith returned.—

To The Secretary to the Board of Revenue

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Bd No 2303.

From J. McIvor Esqre Collr

Sir,

As directed in para 12 of Govt proceedings dated 29th December 1852, I have taken the liberty of bringing the following circumstances to the notice of the Honorable Board regarding

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regarding the manner in which Mr Thomas Collector of Coimbatore, has invariably conducted himself towards me since I commenced operations on the land so liberally granted by Government.

1st A short time after taking possession in May 1854 I was surprised to find that portions of my land had been given to different individuals. I complained repeatedly to the Collector about it, but got no satisfaction on the subject after a great deal of trouble and loss of time in attempting to obtain redress, I was compelled to take the Crops to prevent such aggression in future.

2d By the accompanying Memo of the Collector's it will be seen that the forester a person named Serjeant O'Brien was sent to inspect and report on my farm. I beg to remark that I do not know of any Government authority for such a proceeding nor yet is there any clause in my Lease rendering me amenable to such inspection.

3d On the 3d June 1856 I respectfully requested the Collector to forward a letter to Government applying for their sanction to place the papers of my land

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land near Potacamund in the Commissariat office at Jackatalla as security this he agreed to do (in letter referred to in Margin) only requesting to know, for the information of Government, what the security was required for, this I immediately complied with. I but found sometime afterwards that he had not fulfilled his promise in forwarding my letter. I had a conversation with him about my farm, at the same time which has been repeated in my letter (see Margin) in which it seems I am not left to the exercise of my own experience in agricultural matters, but to be directed by the Collector in the mode of cultivating and the seeds and grains to be cultivated on my land.

4th I also beg most respectfully to lay before the Honorable Board the disagreeably annoying manner in which the Collector acts upon reports and hearsays in a Memo of his (see Margin) he directs me to keep to written communications only and in a short time afterwards makes some silly reports

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report a subject for official correspondence and on the 2d instant, while officially inspecting my land, I was told by him that altho' I had subscribed 20 Rupees for repairing a bridle path between Kattri and Katerri that I had not paid it, when I informed him that I had sent the amount through Mr Stainbank for that purpose, he remarked that he (i.e. Mr Stainbank) required it as payment for Coffee. How the Collector could venture such an assertion is to me quite unaccountable, as he had the road accounts delivered to him some months previous with the subscription allowed to enter in my name as paid.—

5th The preceding statement being a few examples of the Collector's carriage towards me on all occasions, I may remark his conduct has been quite the reverse of encouraging instead of being engaged in agricultural pursuits, my time and attention is occupied in Official letter writing and controversy, my feelings hurt, and my energies blunted.— These circumstances which I hope will be taken in consideration by the

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the Honorable Board will account for any abruptness which may exist in any of my letters to the Collector — The Government having granted me this land on very liberal terms it is my utmost desire to meet their wishes in the introduction of English farming to the best of my ability, but as my lease places me in no way under the interference or surveillance of the Collector. I must humbly beg the Honorable Board may have the goodness to prevent it in future, I also hope the Honorable Board may graciously give their attention to the accompanying paper containing a few remarks on the difficulties I have had to contend with, which I trust will meet with a favorable consideration — I very much regret being compelled to engage so much of the Honorable Board's valuable time, but am confident their well known clemency will pardon this, together with any informality in this letter —

I have &c
(signed) J. McLeod

Cragmore near
Coonoor 8th June 1857.

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Encr Nos 1.

To,

Mr J. Mc Door,

Dotacamund.

Sir,

Before forwarding your letter of the 3d Instant to Government, I request you will inform me for what the security required, as Government will probably wish that information, I shall then lose no time in forwarding your letter.—

Coimbatore, Collrs Office, Dotacamund, 5th June 1857. } signed E. B. Thomas, Collector

Encr No 2.

To,

E. B Thomas, Esqre

Collr of Coimbatore.

Sir,

With regard to your Official letter of the 5th Instant, and your conversation this day, I had the honor of waiting upon you, I have the honor to state that the security is required for the fulfilment of a Contract for supplying the European troops stationed at Jackatallah with potatoes.—

I further most humbly beg to state that

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that in the conversation above referred to, you told me that I ought not to cultivate potatoes, but that the land was granted me for the purpose of introducing English Wheat, grapes, &c.—

According to my knowledge of English agriculture all new lands are at first brought into cultivation by cropping them with green crops such as potatoes, Turnips &c &c allowing them to be fallow, and from experience, I find this system even more necessary than in England, but as you stated this was not the English method of Cultivation— I hereby request you may have the goodness to forward this to Government, so that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council may be so good as to determine whether the lease of lands, so very liberally granted me by Government, provides that I am to cultivate them under your directions as Collr of Coimbatore or as my own

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own experience and knowledge may dictate—
Hoping you will have the kindness to pardon me
putting you to so much trouble—

Cragniore near Ootacamund 9th June 1837

[signed] J. McDoor

Encr No 3.
No 183.

Memorandum

1. With reference to Mr McDoor's letter of the 9th instant, the Collector does not think it necessary to forward it to Government. Mr McDoor can address the Government direct, if he sees fit.—

2. When the Collector last visited Mr McDoor's locality, Hodicul, he certainly saw very little doing—but he made every allowance for Mr McDoor's supposed difficulties, and reported favorably to Government. He begs now to correct a mistake, and misstatement of Mr McDoor's, what the Collector did say, was that he thought Mr McDoor's time and land should not be occupied with

potatoes—

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potatoes "only" (which every native Gardener on the Hills, grows) but that it would be satisfactory if the potator crops were followed by wheat or other English grain. The Collector addrd. distinctly (which Mr McDoor appears to forget) that of course Mr McDoor was at full liberty to follow his own plan of agriculture. He requests that in future Mr McDoor will confine himself to the Collector's written communications—without depending on an imperfect recollection of verbal conversation—

3. With a view to the information of Government the Collector now requests clear information on the following points—what live stock, (if any) Mr McDoor has imported? what number he has now on his Farm? what Crops of English grain and in what extent of land, Mr McDoor has under tillage? how many English grasses for pasturage have been laid down? and how much? Has any planting gone on?

4. As the Collector is unable just now to go himself to Hodicul, he has directed his-

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* about the 3rd proximo, if Mr McIvor will be so good as to visit him

his European Forest superintendent Sergeant O'Brien, to visit Mr McIvor's location report what he sees, and he requests Mr McIvor will show to Sergeant O'Brien anything existing in the shape of Crops, Cattle, or planting, in the European method for our report to Government.

Camp Pollachy, 27th June 1856.

Signed/ R. B. Thomas, Collector

Encr No 1.
No 139.
Official Memo
The Collector having heard that Mr J. McIvor is proposing to sell some of the land granted to him by Government in May 1854 he requests the favor of Mr J. McIvor informing him whether such be the case?

Pollachy, 12th May 1857.

Signed/ R. B. Thomas, Collector

Enclosures Nos 5 and 6 Receipts

Encr No 7.
To, The Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Sir,

The climate and soil of the Neilgherries

is

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is so different from that of England, that the soil requires the greatest care and attention to render it suitable for the culture of English grains. According to the English mode of farming wheat land is fallowed for one year thereby exposing it to the winter's frost and snow, thus perfecting the decomposition, but here we have such a hard soil that altho well turned up, cannot, according to the English method arrive at the same perfection, it therefore becomes necessary to give it a longer, and different course of preparation which in my opinion can only be done by turning up the ground twice in one year, and raising a crop of Potatoes, Turnips, or any other. By which manure is added to the soil, this to be continued for two years, after which, wheat may be grown successfully.

Here wheat is matured in three months, whereas in England it takes from six to nine, consequently to bring it to the same maturity, here in three months as in England at six to nine) it must have a richer soil, hence the necessity of preparing the ground in the manner above alluded to.

English

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English grains generally grow well but the difficulty is to bring them equal in quality to that of home growth which is necessary to ensure their becoming a staple article of produce the maturing a crop in this county is extremely difficult, from the number of wild animals, which even with a well enclosed field at times break in and destroy the whole crop, to prevent this as much as possible it is necessary to clear all the ground and cut the jungle in the vicinity of that which is under cultivation, trees from 4 to 5 feet deep with a fence besides enclosing it at the same height.

I hope the Honorable Board will pardon me for the liberty I have taken in extending so much on their valuable time as to make a few brief allusions to the state of the land on my arrival compared with what it is at present.

On my arrival in May 1836, I found the land an almost impenetrable waste covered with long grass, brush-wood, and jungle, with no way of access— My first year was mostly occupied in

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in building a bungalow, and the necessary houses together with making roads, the second in clearing and enclosing land, but was prevented by the extreme dry season from getting much turned up, this, with the newness of the soil, was the cause of the partial failure of a large quantity of English grains and grasses, which I at great trouble and expense procured from home, the last year I had between cropped and fallow about 75 Cawnies enclosed, besides many roads; a portion of which is at present cropped with wheat and potatoes which will be succeeded by English grain, that I expect out in August, and from the well prepared state of the soil am sanguine of their success— I have also a portion of land

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I hope the Honorable Board will accept of my most grateful thanks for their kind attention and flatter myself, that the opinions and methods herein expressed will merit with their approbation. I have adopted these on account of the many discouragements, parties have met with, in trying experiments on improper & prepared soil.—

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Pro.

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Bd No 2375.

Proceedings thereon— (384-385)

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4. In the 2nd place Mr. McDoor takes exception to Mr Thomas having deputed his forester / Serjeant O'Brien / to inspect, and report on his farms, and he encloses a Memo dated 27th June 1856, in which that Gentleman remarks on the crops cultivated, and requires information on various points connected with the

5. On reference to the lease granted by Government on the 23rd Septr 1831. No 967. Revenue Department, the Board find no stipulation whatever that Mr McDoor shall introduce any particular description of grains or grasses, or pursue any stated mode of culture. The only condition bearing on this point is the following "and any

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" any portion of the land comprised
" in the lease which may be unappro-
-priated or unimproved by the said
" John McDoor, his heirs &c at the exc-
-piration of 10 years from the date
" of his arrival in India, shall be
" liable to be resumed by Government."
With whatever expectations therefore
the lease may have been granted by
Government, the Collector can claim
no right to interfere with or
to address observations to Mr
McDoor in regard to the mode
of farming pursued. Mr McDoor
possesses absolute control over
his land, till the expiration of
10 years from his arrival in the
country. When that period ar-
-rives the Collector or any one
else appointed by Government
will be entitled to enter upon

the

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6. The Board however do not forget that on the 29th January last they desired Mr Thomas to report again on Mr McIvor's proceedings at the close of another year.— To obtain the means of making this report, the most unobjectionable mode of proceeding will be to request Mr McIvor to afford such information as he please on the subject, and to forward his letters with such remarks on the knowledge possessed by Mr Thomas from other sources enables him to add.—

Extract

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No 1713.

Bd No 2599.
From the Sy Sub.y Engineer N.C.

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

Under date the 2d July 1857.

Read the following General observations made by Lieutenant W.C. Palmer Executive Engineer Ganjam District for the Month of May 1857.—

/Here Enter 12th June 1857/

1 Enclosure.

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by Lieut. Palmer as having been prepared for works urgently required. —

/A true Extract/

/Signed/ C. C. Johnson Captain
Ag. Supt. Engr. Nn. Circle.

Extract from General Observations made by Lieutenant W. C. Palmer, Executive Engineer, Ganjam District, for the Month of May 1857.—

1st Generally — Inspecting the Salt pans and Channel repairs — The supply of Sea water is abundant, and the manufacture in excess of the average of former years — In addition to the new Channel from Corlam required by the ryots for the increase in the manufacture of Salt mentioned in my General observations for last month, I find that new Channels can be taken from the Head of the present Salt water Channel near Calingapatam, and a large portion of grounds formed into pans, sufficient for the manufacture of

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of an increased amount of 50,000 Maunds yearly, the cost of these new Channels would be about 4,000 Rupees, and with the present deficient supply of Salt in the District, it would be very highly advisable to open these new Channels and pans.—

/Signed/ W. C. Palmer, Lieut.
Executive Engr. Ganjam Distt.
" E. H. Harington, Lieut.
Ag. Distt. Engr. Ganjam.
" W. Knox,
Ag. Collector

/True Copy/

/Signed/ C. C. Johnston, Captn.
Ag. Supt. Engr. Nn. Circle.

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Bd. No. 2367

Proceedings thereon.

The Board observe that the Pans at Comeravelly for the extention of which the Channel projected by Lieut. Palmer is intended will eventually, if the present orders of Government on the subject are carried out, be abolished. The Acting Collector however has strongly recommended that they shall

be

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be retained and the Board have to for
=ward their entertained the proposition that
they have called upon him for further
information with the view of sub=
=mitting the question to Govern=
=ment for reconsideration—
At the same time they have de=
=sired him to state his opinion
of the project adverted to in
the Proceedings recorded above—

2. It would seem desirable
under these circumstances
that the Chief Engineer should
await a further Communication
from the Board before submitting
any Estimate connected with
the proposed Channel for
the sanction of Govern=
=ment.—

Secretary

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Estimate of charges proposed to be incurred on account of Improvements and Establishments connected with the Madras and Pulicat Harbour.

Comparison between Estimate for 1857 and 1267

Description of Service	Estimate for 1857	Actual Charges for 1267	Remarks
1 Consulting Engineer	1	1	
2 Executive Officers	6	6	
3 Establishment of Assistants	36	12	
4 Establishment of Surveyors	24	24	
5 Establishment of Draftsmen	12	12	
6 Establishment of Overseers	24	24	
7 Establishment of Tindals	36	36	
8 Establishment of Lascars	72	72	
9 Establishment of Peons	12	12	
10 Establishment of Boatmen	24	24	
11 Establishment of Coolies	72	72	
12 Establishment of Bullocks	24	24	
13 Establishment of Carts	12	12	
14 Establishment of Boats	12	12	
15 Establishment of Lascars	24	24	
16 Establishment of Peons	12	12	
17 Establishment of Tindals	12	12	
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Agreed

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Ordered Accordingly

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Bd. No. 2366. Resolved that following letters be despatched

Proceedings thereon. Read Collector's Endorse-

(390) -ment dated 12th June 1857 on Petitions

Nos. 528 and 1188 of 1857 - from B.

Boochy Reddy, and others, inhabitants

of certain Villages in Coelgoudla

Salook in Cuddapah. -

1. Before finally disposing of these

petitions the Board desire to under-

-stand more clearly the terms upon which

the land was taken up. -

2. In the Endorsement above

recorded the Collector says that "in Novem-

-ber 56, after the land had been cultiva-

-ted, petitioners sent a petition request-

-ing to have it on half karoo which

was not accepted" and that "as

they had prior to the cultivating sea-

-son agreed to take up the lands on

the usual remission one half,

Could not be granted" whereas

from his first Endorsement

dated

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dated 8th November it appear that

orders were issued on the 8th October

directing that the Petitioners proposal

to take up the land, and to pay

more than the Ryots of Kumpa-

-nulty should be accepted and

Kararnamah received. -

3. The amount of Seerwal

charged upon the land is not

stated. -

4. The Collector is requested

to report fully upon the case giving

the purport of the Petitioners

original proposal and deposition

before the Sheristadar and of

the Kararnamah which they

refuse to sign. -

J.C.

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Bd. No. 2368.
To the District Surgeon Black Town

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To,

The District Surgeon
Black Town

The Bearer Mr. Robt. Newbigging, First Examinor on the Board's Establishment, having applied for a superannuation Pension in consequence of debility through Age rendering him unable to discharge his duties, I have the honor to request that you will examine him and grant the prescribed Medical Certificate to enable me to obtain for him the Pension to which he is entitled by the Rules.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
11th June 1857.

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

The

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The Board proceed to take into consideration the Statements noted hereon, and to record their remarks thereon.

392
Bd. No. 5222.
From the Collr. of Tinnevelly

Statement of actual charges incurred under Estimate in the Revenue Department of his District for July 1265.

393
Bd. No. 5226.
From the Collr. of Tinnevelly

Statement of actual charges without Estimate in the Revenue Department of his District for July 1265.

394
Bd. No. 5225.
From the Collr. of Tinnevelly

Statement of actual charges incurred under Estimate in the Magistrate Department of his District for July 1265.

395
Bd. No. 5223.
From the Collr. of Tinnevelly.

Statement of actual charges without Estimate in the Revenue Department of his District for July 1265.

Order on the 4 above mentioned Statements

Ordered that the necessary remarks of the Board be inserted in the proper Column of the above mentioned Statements and submitted for the Sanction of Government.

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Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous

Miscellaneous Letters and Statements.

397 Mr. No. 1429.
From the Ag. Colr of Ganjam — Season Report for June 1857.

398 Ms No. 1427.
From the Colr of Rajahmundry — Season Report for June 1857.

399 Ms No. 1428.
From the Ag Colr of Malabar — Season Report for June 1857.

400 Ms No. 1432.
From the Colr of Vizagapatam — Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of Revenue for June 1857.

401 Ms No. 1430.
From the Ag Colr of Madura — Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of Revenue for June 1857.

402 Ms No. 1431.
From the Ag Colr of Malabar — Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of Revenue for June 1857.

403 Ms No. 1452.
From the Colr of Rajahmundry — Register of the height of water in the Godavery as taken at Rajahmundry for June 1857.

404 Ms No. 1453.
From the Ag Colr of Tanjore — Register of Petitions for May 1857.

405 Ms No. 1450.
From the Ag Colr of Madura — Informing that there are no Returns for certain within mentioned Statements during last month.

406 Ms No. 1451.
From the Ag Colr of Madura — Statement of Receipts & disbursements in the Do a Custom Department at Ramnad in June 1857.

Pro

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Monday 13th July 1857

Read the following Papers

407 Bd No. 2506
From the Ag Secretary to Government. ... } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Public Works Department under date the 25th June 1857

Approving of certain arrangements proposed by the Accountant General for remedying the inconvenience stated to be at present experienced in regard to the late receipt of their salaries by Officers of the Department of Public Works stationed at a distance from the Hoozoor station and desiring that Officer to issue the necessary instructions to the several Collectors.

See No. 1238 in separate Volume Page 754

407-408 Order thereon Ordered to be recorded

From

Bd. No. 2551
From the Acting Secretary to Government
409

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 26th June 1857

Intimating, with reference to the Board's Proceedings of 30th May last that orders have been already passed respecting the levy of Seerwah fasly on Enam lands in the District of Tanjore.

See No. 648 in Separate Volume / Page 756

Bd. No. 2376
409-410

Order thereon

Ordered to be Communicated to the Acting Collector

No. 92

Bd. No. 2337
From the Civil Auditor...
411

Official Memorandum

The Civil Auditor has the honor to request that the Secretary to the Board of Revenue will be good enough to furnish, as soon as possible, the whole of the Accountant Particulars accompanied with the Statements of actual charges incurred with the usual estimate for Fasly 1265 for

* Guntoor
Canara
Chingleput
Malabar
Trichinopoly
Masulipatam

for the Districts noted in the Margin which statements were sanctioned by Government on different dates to enable the audit office to proceed with the audit of the accounts of the Collectors for that fasly under reference and as the Civil Auditor has been required by Government to close the arrears of audit by a certain date he begs that he may be furnished with those statements without loss of time. It is now a month since the last of these was sanctioned by Government.

Civil Auditor's Office
Fort St. George
16th June 1857

Signed H. Lushington
Civil Auditor

411-412
Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded. the statements alluded to having been despatched to the Audit Office.

After
Bd. No. 2540
From the Actg. Collr. of Guntoor...
413

No. 91

Memorandum

The Acting Collector of Guntoor has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the two plated

plated sailers forwarded for presentation to Vinty Ramiah, Tahsildar of Coorapaud Talook the despatch of which was intimated by the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue in his letter of the 12th Instant.

The value of the sailers in question will be remitted by a Bill in due Course.

Guntoor District
Collectors Office
Condanned 20th June 1857

Signed H. Newill
Acting Collector

Order thereon (413-414)

Ordered to be recorded

No 265

Official Memorandum

B/ No 2511
From the Civil Auditor. (415)

The Civil Auditor has the honor to request that the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue will forward the letter from Lt. J. D. Robinson, Acting Collr of Canara dated 11th May 1857 No 41, on which the Board of Revenue authorized Lt Robinson to draw the

the Extra Tent allowance up to the date from which his additional allowances as Acting Collector will commence, in the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 29th May 1857 No 1802.

Civil Auditors Office
Fort St. George
25th June 1857

Signed H. Lushington
Civil Auditor

B/ No 2370
Order thereon (415-416)

Ordered that a Copy of the letter referred to in the foregoing Official Memo, be furnished to the Civil Auditor.-

No 151

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

Sir,

(417)

B/ No 2571
From the Collector of
North Arcot

I have the honor, with reference to your letter of the 26th Instant No 2191, to state that the report on the tenders received by me for renting the Arbkurry Farm of this District was submitted by me on the 25th Instant.

North Arcot
Collectors Cutcherry
Chittoor, 29th June, 1857

Signed W. Pittinghame
Collector

Order thereon (417-418)

Ordered to be recorded

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No. 126

To,

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

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Bc No. 2582
From the Collr of
South Arcot

Sir,

I do myself the honor to forward, for the information of the Board of Revenue, copy of a letter dated 24th Instant and of its 2 accompaniments from Captain H. B. Priestley Superintendent of the Revenue Survey.

2 I perceive that you duly received Captain Priestley's letter of the 30th Ultimo, but in case you have not done so, I think it best to send you a copy of it

† Proceedings of the 16th May 1857 Para 10

3 It affords the explanation called for by the Board regarding Paras 29 of Captain Priestley's Report on the Survey operations of last year.

4 With reference to Captain Priestley's letter of the 23d Instant, I have to express my regret that I termed the notes containing my wishes and opinion as to the measurement of the Sub Divisions of fields "Private" instead of "Deeni Official" ones.

5 Although I recd two letters put into my hands by Captain Priestley, as stated by

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by him, I did not look at the dates, and subsequently it occurred to me that either one or both were written when I was at Madras on leave, from which place I thought I had written to Captain Priestley on the subject of measuring fields, and I have still an impression that I did do so. The views expressed in the letter, if I did send one, would however doubtless be precisely the same as those which were given in the two notes referred to by Captain Priestley.

6 My object in alluding to the nature of the letters was not in the least with a view of casting blame on Captain Priestley for acting upon the expression of my opinion, but simply to point out that such a mode of communicating my views should hardly have been designated "giving instructions" as it was remarked by the Board in Para 19 of their Proceedings of the 15th May last that I had done.

I need hardly add that no

7 copies of the letters are in my Records.

South Arcot Collrate
Cuddalore
29th June 1857

Signed A. Hall
Collector

To

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No. 1

To,

A. Hall, Esqr.

Collector of South Arcot

Sir

I have the honor to enclose the copy of a letter to the Secretary Revenue Board in explanation of Paras 29 of my reports - Though written at Madras I delayed forwarding it till my return - I also beg to forward a letter for transmission to the Secretary Board of Revenue correcting an error in the 10th Paras of your communication to the Board of the 19th ultimo

Survey Office
Camp Paliencottah
24th June, 1857

Signed H. I. B. Priestley Captain
Superintendt Revenue survey

Encl No 2 - in 60.

No.

The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

Sir

In accordance with the wishes of Mr. Hall, Collector of South Arcot, I have the honor to address myself directly to you, and to inform you with reference to the Statement made in Paras 29 of my report, that I more particularly referred to the Arcadore Taluk of

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of Srichinopoly in which no funds were supplied to the Ryots for the purpose of erecting Boundary Marks - I sought also to observe that I should perhaps not have used the expression "make the Villages pay" inasmuch as I have no authority to do so, my meaning was that the Inhabitants of adjoining Villages were called on to furnish materials for a boundary mark alternately, and were told that they were responsible for the safe keeping of those for which they had furnished materials -

As to the perpetuation of the field marks left by the Survey Ameens, I have given repeated instructions to the Talook and Village Officers on the subject, and if I mistake not have also addressed myself to the Collectors of the Districts in which I have been employed pointing out the inconvenience and delay to which the assessing Officer will be subjected if the marks left by the Survey Ameens are not made permanent, and have also touched on the importance of some steps to effect this

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this object being taken in the report, I had the honor to forward through the Collector of South Arcot about three months ago.-

I take this opportunity of remarking that destitute as I am of any powers to enforce my orders, I find it sufficiently difficult to perform my own special duties without undertaking those which I submit more particularly belong to Revenue Officers and for which they have ample powers

Madras
30th May 1857

/Signed/ H. I. B. Priestley, Captain
Superintendent Revenue
Survey

(True Copy)
/Signed/ A. Hall
Collector

No. 3

To,
The Secretary
Revenue Board

Sir,

Having been detained in Cuddalore by the Medical Officer since my return from Madras, I have only this day read the explanatory letter

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letter of Mr. Hall, Collector of South Arcot to the Board of Revenue dated 19th May 1857.-

With reference to Para 10th in which he says, "I would also observe that the instructions, which I am therein said to have given to Captain Priestley, were merely an expression of views conveyed in private notes written to the best of my recollection when absent from the District at Madras," I have the honor to state that both letters are superscribed "on the service" that they are both franked by Mr. Hall as Collector, and that they are both written from Cuddalore

I am

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In order to prevent misunderstanding I myself gave the letters in question to Mr. Hall to read some time after the beginning of this year (the exact time is immaterial) I received them from his hand after he had read them. When after that the onus of the misapprehension was laid on me I thought it necessary that the Extracts should be given which contained the strongly expressed opinion to which I had alluded in my report.

Survey Office
Camp Palicim Cottah
23d June 1857

Signed H. I. B. Prestley Captain
Superintendent Revenue
Survey

(419-420)

True Copy
Signed A Hall
Collector

Order thereon Ordered to be recorded

Fort St. George 13th July 1857

(421)

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

Bd. No. 2681
Statement of Exports

Sir,

of External Commerce

I have the honor, with reference to the Minutes of Consultation of Government No. 309 dated 16th March 1864 and the despatch of the Honorable Court No. 1 in the Statistical Department, dated 18th January 1864 to forward the Trade Statements for the year 1856/57 for transmission to the Honorable the Court of Directors and respectfully to recommend that they may be transmitted through the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation company's Parcel Department.

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The Statements having only been completed this day I am unable to accompany them by a Report. I will however transmit one as early as practicable. I trust the Board of Revenue and Government will be of opinion that the statements have been compiled at as early a period as was practicable.

It will afford me cordial satisfaction to be enabled to forward to the several Collectors of the Maritime Districts the appreciation of the Board of Revenue and Government of the successful result of their labors, and of the services of the Department over which I have the honor to preside.

The entire Statements now transmitted, have been compiled in this Office

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I have respectfully to solicit that sanction may be given for their being printed as heretofore.

Madras
Reporter External
Commerce Office
6th July 1857
Bn No. 2372

Signed Jas. E. Underwood
Reporter External Commerce

Resolution thereon (421-422) Resolved that the foregoing letter and the statement which accompanied it be submitted to Government.

2. The Honorable Court have recently expressed strong desire to be furnished with these statements as expeditiously as possible and the Board would suggest that the present sets should be forwarded overland.

E. M. C. 4th May 1857
R. D. No. 412
In Con. 25th May 57

The Statements have on this occasion been prepared with very creditable desire of a despatch and the Board trust that the exertions of the several Officers concerned especially the Reporter of External commerce and his subordinates will receive the approval of Government.

3 The Board also request that authority may be granted to Mr. Underwood to print the Statements as usual.

I. B.

11485 Fort St. George 13th July 1857.

No. 218.

To

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

(423)

B. No. 2714

From the Collector of Sea Customs, Madras.

Sir

1. It having been brought to my notice that advantage is taken of the Rule at the end of the Rules as quoted in the Margin[x] to pass duty free Jewelry and other articles liable to duty, I have the honor to request that if necessary the words "from" may be struck out of the Rules by authority.

[x] All Baggage passing to or "from" the Steamer to & "from" London will pass without examination or permit

2. By Sec. XVIII of the act, the Collector is authorized to pass Baggage "at his discretion"[*] The Board of[+] Revenue to determine whether the Baggage is in actual use or not, and under the authority of this Section he requires Baggage landed from Steamers to be brought to the Custom House to be passed.

[*] Act XXIX of 1855

3 If the Board of Revenue should be pleased to consider the Sanction of Government is required to strike the word "from" out of the Rules, I beg that the Sanction of Government may be obtained. It does not appear to me to be requisite and

"from" the Steamers "from" London

I have

11484 Fort St. George 13th July 1857

I have respectfully to solicit that sanction may be given for their being printed as heretofore.

Madras
Reporter External
Commerce Office
5th July 1857
Bo No 2372

Signed W. E. Underwood
Reporter External Commerce

Resolution thereon Resolved that the foregoing letter and the statement which accompanied it be submitted to Government.

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2- The Honorable Court have recently expressed a strong desire to be furnished with these statements as expeditiously as possible and the Board would suggest that the present set should be forwarded overland-

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L. B.

11485 Fort St. George 13th July 1857.

No 218.

To,

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

Sir

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Bo No 874
From the Collector of Sea Custom, Madras.

1. It having been brought to my notice that advantage is taken of the Rules at the end of the Rules as quoted in the Margin x to pass duty free- Jewelry and other articles liable to duty, I have the honor to request that if necessary the words "from" may be struck out of the Rules by authority.

x All Baggage passing to or "from" the Steamer to or "from" London will pass without examination or permit

2. By Sec. XVIII of the act, the Collector is authorized to pass Baggage "at his discretion" The Board of Revenue to determine whether the Baggage is in actual use or not, and under the authority of this Section he requires Baggage landed from Steamers to be brought to the Custom House to be passed-

x Act XXIX of 1855

If the Board of Revenue should be pleased to consider the Sanction of Government is required to strike the word "from" out of the Rules, I beg that the Sanction of Government may be obtained - It does not appear to me to be requisite and

"from" the Steamers "from" London

I have

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I have proceeded under the powers vested in the Collector to direct that all Baggage landed from Steamers be brought to the Custom House to be passed in the same manner as other Baggage - As a matter of respect as well as duty I have brought the subject to the notice of the Board of Revenue, and shall be glad to be favored with such instructions or orders as may be considered necessary.

Sea Custom House, Madras 8th July 1857

(Signed) W. E. Underwood, Collector.

Bd. No. 2371.8

Proceedings thereon

1.

(423-424)

The Custom House Rules having been originally framed under the authority of Government the Board consider the sanction of Government necessary before any alteration is made in them.

2.

The Board concur with the Collector that there is no necessity for allowing Passengers baggage from Steamers to pass without examination or permit and recommend that this privilege be

Concluding from page 11 Custom House Rules Gazette dated 16th April 1857 page 333.

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be withdrawn as it appears to be abused.

3.

The amended rule might then stand as follows. "all baggage passing to the Mail Steamers will pass without examination or permit" the privilege having conceded in these cases because such Steamers stay only a few hours in the roads.

4.

The Board recommend that the alteration proposed may be authorised in anticipation of the revised Edition of the Rules now in course of preparation in the Government Office.

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Bd. No. 2753

From the Accountant Genl.

Bond Department

No. 357

The Accountant General has the honor to forward enclosed to the Secretary to the Court of Wards, Madras, the following Promissory Notes of the Government of India issued in lieu of the Loan Certificates - - for which their Receipt of this Office Nos. 636 and 637 -

Received

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received with his ~~[illegible]~~ letter of the 8th Instant were granted - It is requested that the receipt of the enclosure may be acknowledged.

No. 21061 — of 1842/43 for Company's Rs 5,000
" — 21062 — of — " — " — " — 10,000

The Notes have been registered in this Department.

Fort St. George,
Accountant General's Office,
15th July 1857.

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply -

To

The Accountant General,

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Br. No. 2373

To the Accountant General,

No. 21061 of 1842/43 for Rs 5,000 in favor of the Minor Zemindar of Cabistalum in Tanjore District.
No. 21062 of 1842/43 for Rs 10,000 in favor of the Minor Poligar of Gundracottah in Tanjore District.

have been duly received in

Sir,

I am directed by the Court of Wards to inform you that the two Government Promissory Notes noted in the Margin, which accompanied your letter dated 15th July 1857 - No. 357 -

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In Cons 13th July in this Office.
1857, No. 2753

Revenue Br. Office,
Fort St. George,
13th July 1857.

Signed J. D. Sim,
Ag. Secretary.

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To

The Sub Treasurer

Br. No. 2374

To the Sub Treasurer

Sir,

1. In accordance with the instructions conveyed in a letter from the Accountant General

In Cons. 13 Nov. 1850. 3897

dated 29th September 1856, I am directed by the Court of Wards to transmit to you for deposit the two accompanying Government Promissory Notes appertaining to the Estates noted in the margin, belonging to Minors under the Court's

Cabistalum Estate in Tanjore District
Government Promissory Note No. 21061 of 1842/43 - 5,000

Gundracottah Polipat in Tanjore District
Government Promissory Note No. 21062 of 1842/43 - 10000

Wardship -

2 - The Bonds in question have been duly registered in the Accountant General's and in this Office.

Revenue Br. Office,
Fort St. George,
13th July 1857.

/Signed/ J. D. Sim,
Ag. Secretary
Resolved -

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Resolved that the following Official Memorandum be sent.

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Official Memo

B. No. 2378

To the Chief Engineer
Department of P. W.

The Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to request that the Chief Engineer will be so good as to have struck off at his Lithographic Press 100 Copies of the accompanying figures Nos 1 & 2 in the spaces marked in the paper now sent + a printed Form showing where the figures are required, as also sent for the guidance of the Lithographer.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St George
13th July 1857.

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

Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous letters and Statements.

429

Mis. No. 1463
From the Acting Collector of Ganjam } Estimate of charges proposed to be incurred on account of additional Establishment for Fasly 1267.

From

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430

My. No. 1465
From the Collector of Bellary Reports that no Persons were charged under Regulation IX of 1823 in June & that no Revenue Defaulters were either confined or released during the 2nd Quarter ending 30th June 1857.

431

Mis No 1467
From the Collector of Bellary. Return of Public Servants Suspended or dismissed for the 2nd Quarter ending 30th June 1857.

432

Mis. No. 1457
From the Collector of Bellary } List of letters addressed to the Board and remaining unanswered up to 30th June 1857.

433

Mis. No 1458
From the Collector of Cuddapah } List of letters addressed to the Board and remaining unanswered up to 30th June 1857.

434

Mis. No. 1459.
From the Collector of North Arcot } List of letters addressed to the Board and remaining unanswered up to 30th June 1857.

435

Mis. No. 1465
From the Collector of Bellary } List of letters received from the

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of the Travellers Bungalow at Chingleput being considered necessary as conducive to the comfort and convenience of the Travellers halting there, and their owners demanding a sum of Rupees 14-0-0 to enable them to reconstruct them elsewhere, I have the honor to request sanction for the disbursement of the amount from the Treasury of this District.

2. The removal of the Huts in question is recommended by the Civil Judge, the Head Assistant Collector, and the District Engineer in the propriety of which I fully concur.

Chingleput District
Collector's Cutcherry.
Sydapet 27th June 1857.
B. of N. 2380.

(Signed) C. J. Shubrick.
Collector.

Resolution thereon - Resolved that the foregoing letter be forwarded for the orders of Government.

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2. As the Huts appear to interfere with the comfort and convenience of Travellers halting at the Chingleput Bungalow, the Board recommend that the Collector may be authorized to pay the owners Rupees (14) fourteen, which they claim as compensation and to remove the Huts.

Resolved that the following statement be despatched. -

Statement

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B. of N. 2377.

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Statement showing the state of the Crops and the Collections for the Month of June 1857.

District and date

Condensed statement of the Crops and the Collections for the month of June 1857.

Districts	Condition of the Crops	Collections
Coimbatore	Indigo, Sugar Cane, and Betel Gardens in a thriving state.	Land and Sea Customs realized from the Ports of Calicut and Cannanore Rupees 1,384.
Malabar	Cholera and Fevers very prevalent throughout the District.	
Canara	Cholera and Fevers very prevalent and fatal to a considerable extent.	
Salem	Crops in general have been damaged by excessive rains.	
Trichinopoly	Crops in general have been damaged by excessive rains.	
Madura	Crops in general have been damaged by excessive rains.	
Tinnevelly	Crops in general have been damaged by excessive rains.	
Coimbatore	On the 1st & 2nd & 11th inst. Rain fell to the amount of 1 & 1/8 of an inch.	
Malabar	Pasturage is scarce, and cattle generally in bad condition.	
Canara	Pasturage is scarce, and cattle generally in bad condition.	
Salem	Rain fell to the amount of 1 & 1/2 inches on the 1st & 2nd inst.	
Trichinopoly	Rain fell to the amount of 1 & 1/2 inches on the 1st & 2nd inst.	
Madura	Rain fell to the amount of 1 & 1/2 inches on the 1st & 2nd inst.	
Tinnevelly	Rain fell to the amount of 1 & 1/2 inches on the 1st & 2nd inst.	
Malabar	Rain fell to the amount of 3 inches on the 11th inst.	
Canara	Rain fell to the amount of 3 inches on the 11th inst.	
Salem	Rain fell to the amount of 1/4 inch on the 11th inst.	
Trichinopoly	Rain fell to the amount of 1/4 inch on the 11th inst.	
Madura	Rain fell to the amount of 1/4 inch on the 11th inst.	
Tinnevelly	Rain fell to the amount of 1/4 inch on the 11th inst.	
Malabar	Cattle disease has been carried off by the Dry Fodder.	
Canara	Cattle disease has been carried off by the Dry Fodder.	
Salem	Cattle disease has been carried off by the Dry Fodder.	
Trichinopoly	Cattle disease has been carried off by the Dry Fodder.	
Madura	Cattle disease has been carried off by the Dry Fodder.	
Tinnevelly	Cattle disease has been carried off by the Dry Fodder.	
Malabar	Rinderpest has been carried off by the Dry Fodder.	
Canara	Rinderpest has been carried off by the Dry Fodder.	
Salem	Rinderpest has been carried off by the Dry Fodder.	
Trichinopoly	Rinderpest has been carried off by the Dry Fodder.	
Madura	Rinderpest has been carried off by the Dry Fodder.	
Tinnevelly	Rinderpest has been carried off by the Dry Fodder.	
Malabar	Pasturage is scarce, and cattle generally in bad condition.	
Canara	Pasturage is scarce, and cattle generally in bad condition.	
Salem	Pasturage is scarce, and cattle generally in bad condition.	
Trichinopoly	Pasturage is scarce, and cattle generally in bad condition.	
Madura	Pasturage is scarce, and cattle generally in bad condition.	
Tinnevelly	Pasturage is scarce, and cattle generally in bad condition.	
Malabar	Rinderpest has been carried off by the Dry Fodder.	
Canara	Rinderpest has been carried off by the Dry Fodder.	
Salem	Rinderpest has been carried off by the Dry Fodder.	
Trichinopoly	Rinderpest has been carried off by the Dry Fodder.	
Madura	Rinderpest has been carried off by the Dry Fodder.	
Tinnevelly	Rinderpest has been carried off by the Dry Fodder.	
Malabar	Cholera and Fevers very prevalent throughout the District.	
Canara	Cholera and Fevers very prevalent and fatal to a considerable extent.	
Salem	Crops in general have been damaged by excessive rains.	
Trichinopoly	Crops in general have been damaged by excessive rains.	
Madura	Crops in general have been damaged by excessive rains.	
Tinnevelly	Crops in general have been damaged by excessive rains

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District and Date	Rainfall	State of the Crops and the Cultivation operations.—	Prices whether high or low ruling, following or Stationary	Further Remarks
Bellary dated 1st in Cons 6th July 1857.— Mds. 1383.—	There have been good falls through-out the District.— Some Large Tanks are full and many have received from 2 to 4 Inches water.—	The Dry sort Crops of last & July have been reaped and the ryots are engaged in the Cultivation of the early Crops of July 1857.—	Prices have ruled as importations have been checked by the rains.— First and 2d Sort Indigo and Cotton have fallen respectively 2 1/4 20% and 6% below last Month.— Wheat has risen more than 17% and the other articles with the exception of 5th Sort Rice, Jaggery have risen upwards of 3 to 7%.—	Slight fever is present in the District.— Cattle are not yet quite free from disease.— The new year has begun favorably.—
Bellary dated 3d in Cons 8th July 1857.— Mds. 1382.—	An average of about 3 Inches in the Mallary and adjacent Taluks and four Inches at Adoni on the North of the District.— The falls near the East Hills and mountains have not been registered for this Month.—	The Indigo Cazoo and Sujja Crops are thriving throughout the Principal Division though-ing for Garden, Cumboo and wet Cultivation has Commenced.— In the Sub Division the the rains have enabled the Ryots to plough but little of the early cultivation has been carried on in consequence of the rains having been too partial.—	Stationary in the Principal Division and slightly lower in the Southern Division 1st and 2d Sort Rice 20 and 26 Seers and Bengal and Horse Gram 24 and 25 1/2 Seers per Rupee.—	There have been two slight Freshes and a moderate Supply of water has reached the Lands under the influence of the current.— The Cultivation will however be impeded unless the Chaffer Sail Channel receives a further supply at an early date.—
Vizagapatam dated 1st in Cons 6th July 1857.— Mds. Nos. 1381.—	It rained for two or more days throughout the District though not heavily.—	More rain than has yet fallen is required for the prosecution of the early agricultural operations.—	Stationary.—	Cholera has been very prevalent in some places but is now abating the District is generally prosperous.—
Chingleput dated 1st in Cons 2d July 1857.— Mds. Nos. 1378.—	There have been some slight and occasionally rather heavy showers of rain during the Month.—	The Kovery Crops are still suffering from want of sufficient water in the Tanks.— The Indigo Crops look poorly.— The rain has enabled the ryots to plough their first and dry lands.—	Have not varied materially from those of last Month.— The prices were as follows:— Car paddy — 14 1/2 } Marcals Samba — 16 1/2 } per Pagoda Raggy — 13 }	Cholera is prevalent at Conjeveram and in many other parts of the District
Tanjore dated 4th in Cons 8th July 1857.— Mds. Nos. 1390.—	Heavy showers about the middle of the Month.— The rivers are in high fresh.—	The Sowing of the early Paddy Crop has Commenced in the Delta Taloks and has the cultivation of Raggy and other Dry Grains.—	No great variation.— Paddy sells as at 6-6 to 13-8 per Cullum.—	Cholera not of a virulent character was prevalent in the Eastern Taloks, and there has been some disease among the Cattle.—

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Received the undermentioned
miscellaneous letters and statements.—

450
M.Z. No. 1479 — From the Actg. Coll.r of Masulipatam — List of letters addressed to the Board of Revenue and remaining unanswered up to 31st March 1857.—

457
M.Z. No. 1477 — From the Actg. Collector of Masulipatam — List of Letters received from the Board of Revenue and remaining unanswered up to 31st March 1857.—

452
M.Z. No. 1478 — From the Officiating Agent at Kurnool — List of letters addressed to the Board of Revenue and remaining unanswered up to 31st March 1857.—

453
M.Z. No. 1484 — From the Actg. Coll.r of Nellore — Stating that there were no Revenue Defaulters in confinement or any released in the Quarter ending 30th June 1857.—

457
M.Z. No. 1483 — From the Actg. Coll.r of Masulipatam — Reporting that no cases cognizable under Regulation IX of 1822 have been disposed of during the months of May last.—

455
M.Z. No. 1485 — From the Actg. Collector of Malabar — Reporting that no Cases were tried by himself or subordinates under Regulation IX of 1822 during June last.—

456
M.Z. No. 1476 — From the Actg. Coll.r of Guntoor — Average Bazar Prices of Grain for June 1857.—

From

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M.Y. No. 1474.
From the Collector of Trichinopoly - Average Bazar
458 Prices of Grain for June 1857.
M.Y. No. 1475.
From the Asst. Coll.r of Canara - Average Bazar
459 Prices of Grain for June 1857.
M.Y. No. 1468.
From the Coll.r of Trichinopoly - Statement of Demand
460 Collection and Balance of Revenue for June 1857.
M.Y. No. 1480.
From the Coll.r of South Arcot - Statement shewing
the quantity of Salt in store available
461 for exportation to Calcutta on the 30th June 1857
M.Y. No. 1481.
From the Collector of Tinnevelly - Statement of the
value of Gold and Silver Bullion
and Specie imported by Sea in
M.Y. No. 1482 - June 1857.
From the Collector of
462 Madras } Statement of
Contingent charges from 1st February
to 30th April 1857.

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue,
Wednesday, the 15th July 1857.

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A after
B.R. No. 1458.
From the Acting Secretary to Government .... } Read the following Papers -

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 22d April 1857 -

Forwarding, with the remarks of Government thereon, Copy of a Despatch from the Honorable Court containing their observations and instructions on the subject of a General Revenue Survey and re-assessment of the lands of the several Districts in the Madras Presidency. ———

See No. 372 in Separate Volume Page 757

B.R. No. 2400.
Proceedings thereon. } In the Extract Minutes Consultation of 22d April 1857, the Government direct
463-464 the attention of the Board of Revenue to certain paras of the Honorable Court's Despatch of 17th December 1856 on the proposed scheme of a revised Survey and assessment for the Madras Presidency

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Presidency in order to their considering the subjects discussed in certain paras, in connection with a Minute by the Honorable Mr. Grant.-

2. The Paras of the Despatch, to which Government seem to refer, are the following.-

3. I- Para 13- The Court suggest a Water rate on all irrigated land, independent of its assessment as unirrigated instead of the present and proposed plan of classifying and assessing land as either "irrigated" or "unirrigated."

II- Para 15-20- The Court object to an assessment founded on a per-centage of the gross produce.-

III. Paras 21-22- The Court object to a periodical revision of the assessment with reference to fluctuations in the price of Grain, and consider that it should be fixed for 30 years.-

IV. Paras 23-27- The Court, with reference to the vast number of minute holdings by individual ryots, suggest the introduction of the Bombay system of "survey fields" whereby several adjacent occupiers of small fields, are considered as shares of

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of one large field.-

V. Paras 28-29-30- The Court desire that their previous instructions regarding "Meerasee" tenure be not departed from.

VI. Paras 31-34- The Court object to the plan for securing "permanent occupancy" by allowing a reduction of assessment to ryots agreeing to take up lage holdings for a term of years.-

VII. Para 44.- The Court consider that the suggestions in the Honorable Mr. Grant's Minute, referring to the system of assessment in Cuttack, should receive careful consideration.-

4. The Board will now in pursuance of the wish of Government, proceed to offer their observations, as briefly as the subject will admit, on the above points. They would however in the first place beg the consideration of Government to the fact that questions of this nature have been for many years constantly brought before Government and the chief Revenue Officers, without the possibility of their being decided in a manner that shall not admit of farther discussion- What may be the opinion of the Government or of the Board of Revenue one year

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may be quite at variance with the views expres-
=sed by the same authorities another year, in
consequence of those changes in Office which
cause official opinions to be in fact the opinion
of individuals, who, in matters of this kind, will
seldom be unanimous. Even among the most
experienced and careful, this great contrariety
exists, for proof of which the Board need only refer
to the Minutes, and the Official letters printed with
the Extract Minutes Consultation of 14th August
1855. It is therefore with deference that the
Board of Revenue, as at present constituted,
submit their views on the points in discussion,
and if they should appear to have omitted the
consideration of any disputed point, it is be-
=cause they desire to present to Government only
such views as they can generally agree upon
without extending their Proceedings by discussion
on those few details in which they are not agreed
and which after all had in view-unanimous
opinion better be left to the officer whom the
Government shall think fit to entrust with
the sole management of the important
duty of revising the Survey and Assessment
of the Presidency.

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5. With reference to para 3 of these Proceedings it will be seen that the first question is in regard to the Water rate. The court consider it worthy of consider-
=ation whether the "distinctive classification
"of lands according as they are or are not
"capable of irrigation from a Government
"source should not be abolished and all
"land classified simply with reference to its
"soil and its productiveness without irriga-
"=tion-a Water rate being charged when Go-
"=vernment water is used." The Court observe
that this practice prevails in the North-
West Provinces, and that the Madras
Government have expressed an opinion that
it might be done without inconvenience.

6. The Board, as far as their judg-
=ment and experience go, are unable to concur
in the opinion that the plan adverted to by the
Court could be adopted without inconvenience,
and they consider the present system so
well known and assented to by the Ryots
to be the best. The case of the North

West

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West Provinces is very different from Madras. There the assessment is fixed on the whole Village with reference chiefly to what it had usually paid before. A new and most comprehensive system of irrigation by canals was then commencing; and the mode of supplying water, in all its details was entrusted to the Engineer Department who in consequence of the mechanical arrangements they were able to make, could tell how many cubic feet were supplied to each Village. In this Presidency we have to make an undeviating assessment on each field, and even under such a perfect system of irrigation as has been opened out in the North West Provinces, the Board doubt if the officers of Government could register the water supplied to each field- much greater would be the difficulty in a country, the irrigation of which depends on numberless small tanks, the supply of water from which is exceedingly variable and uncertain. It is possible that in some localities, such as the channels supplied by the Coleroon and Godavery annicuts, a uniform water rate per acre/ without reference to the

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cubic feet supplied/ might be introduced, but even then it would necessitate constant interference of the petty revenue officers who would have to be always on inspection to see what fields had taken water, for under the system proposed by the Court the Board presume that the water rate would not be levied unless water were actually taken from the Government source. Again, where a village is assessed/ engrossed/ as in the North West Provinces, and a complete Hydraulic system exists, it is easy to fix a sum to be paid extra for the supply of so many thousand cubic feet of water, but in a Khetwar/ or field/ settlement each field would have to be assessed first as an un-irrigated field; and then an uniform water rate, even if no notice were taken of the quantity of water used, would often pressunfairly and vitiate all the labour of the primary assessment. It would constantly happen that lands in different classes, and therefore bearing different rates of primary assessment would produce much about the

same

same when irrigated. It does not at all follow that a field of an inferior class of soil would retain that inferiority, with regard to another, when both were irrigated. To carry out the principle therefore of equable assessment under all circumstances, it would be necessary to assess every field twice over, once with reference to its class as un-irrigated land and secondly with reference to its relative capability when *irrigated in order that with its water rate added, irrespective of the quantity of water used, it might be on a par with other lands inferior to it when unirrigated, but equal or superior when irrigated. The Board consider a Rhetwar assessment sufficiently laborious and liable to error, without further complicating the process, nor do they comprehend what advantage is to be gained by a water rate in the sense it appears to be used in the North West Provinces, and by the Court of Directors unless the Hydraulic arrangements are such, that the quantity of water supplied to each field can be ascertained. The term water rate, has been applied in Madras to denote the extra assessment levied on lands originally

* When land is has never yet been irrigated it would be mere guess work to fix an assessment with reference to its productive powers in the event of its being irrigated at some future time

originally assessed at a low rate as un-irrigated, but which occasionally are able to take advantage of water from a Government source. A water rate in this sense appears reasonable, but where lands are constantly irrigated the Board prefer a short series of rates on "irrigated land" as distinct from the series on "unirrigated land."

The next point to be considered is the observation of the Court on the proposition that 30 per cent of the gross produce should be taken as the maximum Government demand. The Court consider this part of the scheme as the one most open to objection, and inconsistent with the principle that the right of Government is only to a share of the rent. They remark that such a plan would be to favour the most fertile lands which might probably pay much more than 30 per cent of the gross produce, whilst 30 per cent of the gross produce of inferior soils would leave the ryot little or no profit at all. They are of opinion that the assessment should be proportioned to the net and not to the gross produce and state that this course was followed

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in the North West Provinces where the net produce was estimated, and 2/3 of that taken as the Government share.-

8. The Board are not disposed to deny that the views expressed by the Court are correct in theory, but they, at the same time, believe that to carry them out would not be practicable in a Khetwar Settlement. In the North West Provinces the settlement Officer, after discussing the subject with his employees and with the head ryots, the representatives of the villagers, fixed at their discretion, what they considered the net rent of the whole village.- On what data they went is not explained in any of the printed Reports but it seems at best to have been but an approximation and this might be possible - taking a whole village by itself; but to attempt to estimate the net rent derived from each field must, in the Board's opinion, be futile. They doubt if there is a nearer plan than that of estimating for a considerable tract of country the average expenses of cultivation at so much per acre, and with these data making a percentage reduction from the

the estimated gross produce and considering the remainder as the net produce. That the gross produce of every field or rather of each class of land must be estimated as first, is very clear, or else no classification could be made. This task is far from easy at the best, but to attempt field by field to estimate the net profit derived from it, would be altogether impracticable, especially when it is well known that any ryot, when pressed to give a Statement of his cultivating expenses, always arrives at the conclusion that he is a loser on every acre. In estimating the relative values of fields, the Board would invest the settlement officer with very full powers none but those employed on the spot in personal investigations can presume to lay down detailed and inflexible rules and it is not to be expected that the assessment, eventually fixed on any field, will be exactly a proportion either of the gross or the net produce as there is a vast variety of local circumstances to cause variation from what may be taken as the primary data. The Government have already

stated

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stated that they consider the share of Government should not exceed 30 per cent of the gross produce, and they expect that this will be about 2/3ds of the nett produce. This should be a sufficient guide for the settlement officer, whether he makes his original calculations on the gross or the nett. The Board greatly doubt if the Settlement Officers of the North West Provinces could have attempted to apportion the 2/3ds nett produce on every field and from the very earliest periods of history the ryots of the Carnatic have been accustomed to and understand the system of yielding to Government a certain per centage of the gross produce, leaving it to the assessing authority to make this per centage higher on the inferior soils a plan which in practice would seem to meet the objections of the Court that the better soils would be favoured

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9 The next subject (Para 3 of these Proceedings) is that of the term or period during which the assessment should remain unaltered. The Court object to the proposition of Government, that the assessment should be fixed in terms of so much grain, that converted into money at the average prices of the last 7 years, and this price to remain fixed for 7 years, and then revised again; also that the grain estimate be revised every 50 years. The Court prefer that the rates of assessment should be fixed so low as to cover all ordinary fluctuations of price and that these rates should, as in Bombay, remain permanent for 30 years.

10. Where the land of a country is classified field by field with reference to the amount of staple grain it produces and the assessment fixed almost entirely with reference to those classes. It seems but reasonable when great fluctuations occur in the basis on which the assessment is made (i.e. in the value of the produce) that a corresponding alteration should be made in the rates of assessment. The Board however must acknowledge that there are practical difficulties in the way which cannot be overcome. In the first place if a reduction is to be made when the prices of grain falls, an enhancement must

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must be made when the price rises, and this would cause very great dissatisfaction among the ryots. It is also to be remembered that we have not the means in this country for ascertaining the real prices of grain with sufficient accuracy for the important process of revising the assessment periodically. The plan proposed by the Government seems to have been taken from the plan pursued in England under the act for the commutation of tithes, but it was found so difficult to put a [illegible] on each field that by a later act this is not required, and the farmers fix among themselves, for sanction by the Commissioners what each shall pay so as to make up the average total tithe. The Registers no longer show the grain produce of each field but simply its tithe charge in money when first settled and this subsequently varies, as prices vary from the standard prices originally decided on by Government. It is also to be remembered that the tithe charge is but a small payment in comparison with an Indian land assessment, and it is not a matter of much consequence to know the produce of a field very exactly. It

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11. It will be in the recollection of Government that some years ago there was a general demand for reduction of assessment on the plea that prices had fallen to a serious extent since the original assessment was fixed. Though there was no doubt of a great fall in price, it was found almost impossible to trust to the various statements of prices past and present, submitted from the Provinces, and though Government were disposed to make reductions, and did do so on other grounds, yet before it could really be determined what actual prices were, they again rose, and the original ground for complaint disappeared.

12. The Board therefore are inclined to urge the adoption of the plan approved of by the Court and to make the assessment when once fixed, unalterable for 30 years.

13. It may not here be out of place to notice that a general opinion prevails in England that the Bombay settlement.

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for 30 years secures a far greater permanency of tenure to the land holder, than the present Ryotwari tenure of Madras— This is altogether an error for a Madras Ryot is able to retain his land in perpetuity without any increase of assessment, as long as he continues to fulfil his engagement.

14. The next subject is that of the evils arising from the present system of minute holdings, and pauper ryots arising from the practice of equal partition of property among heirs, and the facility given by Government to the acquisition of small plots of land by persons of no capital or means. The Court consider that the rule introduced in Bombay at the time of the new survey of that Presidency, might, in principle at least be carried into effect at Madras and they do not admit the force of the objections made by this Government in para 25 of the Extract Minutes of Consultation of 14th August 1855. The rule in Bombay, the Board believe to be as follows. During the Survey several small fields were clubbed together and

and constituted a "Revenue field" without any consideration as to whether the occupiers of these small fields were different parties or not. In the event of one of the small fields becoming vacant, some one, or all jointly of the "Revenue field" were obliged to take up the vacant portion, or be ejected from their own. The size of the "Revenue field" was to be not less than 12 acres of unirrigated, or 4 acres of irrigated land.

15. The Board are not in a position to give any opinion as to the extent to which these rules have been carried out in Bombay, or how far they have been the cause of discontent but with the most anxious desire to introduce a system of large holdings, they cannot see the justice of forcing any man to take up more land than he requires, and they believe that in the Madras Presidency, such a rule would give rise to serious opposition. From what the Board have seen of the Bombay village maps, it appears that the usual size of the fields were already above that specified as the maximum for

for a Revenue field, and therefore in practice there may have been little inconvenience* but in Madras where there is a much larger extent of irrigated land comparatively valuable and yet generally split up into fields of less than an acre, the effect of an arbitrary rule of the nature above referred to would be to affect the value of the land of every respectable ryot. It is true that the Madras Government might make their minimum very much less than in Bombay but this would then hardly meet the object in view, and still give rise to constant complaint.

16. As far as the operation of surveying is concerned it may be a saving of time and expense to survey and compute the area of a small tract, containing several minute fields, but the areas of these must still be marked out, though by a rougher process and this

*Mr. Commissioner Townshend states that the Bombay rule would only apply in a few cases in his District.— (Page 355 Parl. Paper Revenue Survey of India)

this the Board have already proposed, and Government sanctioned, the minimum being 2 acres for unirrigated, and 1 acre for irrigated, still the interior sub divisions are separate fields in a Revenue point of view, and the Board very much doubt whether, as the law now stands, if a ryot should sue the Revenue authorities, for compensation, for having ejected him because he refused to take the land of a deceased neighbour, they would not be cast—

17- In the judgment therefore of the Board, the principle laid down by Government in para 26 of the Extract Minutes of Consultation of 14th August 1855 is best adapted to meet the object in view as regards the Madras Presidency that "it is better to trust to the indirect operation of wholesome rules, and an improved system, than to attempt to apply any direct remedy." The rules which the Court propose in the latter part of para 26 of their Despatch of 17th December 1856, will, in the opinion of the Board, go far to introduce a change as regards pauper occupations

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Encl. in F. Govt. 22d April in Cons. 13th July 1857 No. 372. R. D.

Without interfering with the rights of existing occupants — These rules are — I. Persons desirous of engaging for fresh land will not be permitted to take it except in a quantity comprising not less than a certain area hereafter to be determined on — II. Occupants of petty holdings, when they fall into arrear, shall not be allowed to renew their puttahs — III. No ryot desirous of contracting his cultivation shall be allowed to give up so much as would bring his holding within the prescribed limit.

18. The Board are not prepared to state positively what should be the minimum holding but they would suggest that it be decided with reference to the money amount of the puttah rather than that of the extent of land, and, they would, in the first instance, make the rule as light as possible. At present more than half the puttahs in the Presidency are for sums under 10 Rs a year and the Board think that in future the object should be

be to have no puttahs under 10 Rupees.

They think that in the new survey, when tracts of land long waste are measured, an attempt should be made to retrace the old boundary marks of small fields, but that new portions should be set out, not less than say 4 acres of unirrigated and 1 acre of irrigated — This is considerably above the average size of fields in the Carnatic. No field however large, when once defined in the Survey maps, should be hereafter subdivided, though in making the survey it would be at the discretion of the settlement Officer to allow very large fields to be subdivided and mapped accordingly.

19. It will be necessary when the time come to put into force some of the above rules to define what amounts to a "relinquishment" of land and the Board think that a ryot who has held a particular field for 3 years consecutively should be allowed to leave it fallow or waste for a 4th year without liability for revenue.

20. With reference to the discussions on this subject, the Board would remark that it

it is not so much the small size of the fields as the small amount of the puttahs that complicate and enfeeble a Ryotwar system of Revenue. No doubt as far as regard the mechanical operation of surveying, the minute separate plots of land give rise to great loss of time, labour, and money, but if a ryot holds 50 different fields of ½ acre each, and pays 40 Rupees a year to Government, there is not much object (as regards the revenue operations) in altering the size of those fields. If the Bombay rule were carried into effect, it might so happen that a Ryot holding a dozen small fields in different parts of the village might find himself fettered by as many co-parcenary obligations, each of his separate fields being perhaps included as a portion of a "Revenue field". The grouping together of small fields into "a survey field" (which means nothing more than that the area of the whole is accurately determined, but its component small subdivisions more roughly) would not affect such a Ryots tenure at all.—

In the district of Malabar the separate holdings or gardens are very small, yet still the occupant of one of these is in a respectable position as ryot & land-holder on account of their value—

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21. The Board are also of opinion that a maximum as well as a minimum should be fixed for a "Survey field" as if fields are set out of a very large size it is a hinderance to a careful extension of cultivation.—

22. In paras 28–29–30 of their Despatch the Court observe that the Government appear to deal with the subject of "Meerasee" in a manner at variance with the practice which has hitherto prevailed— The Court were no doubt under the impression, that in the new scheme for Survey and assessment the Government intended to acknowledge the claims of the so called Merasidars in Districts where, since our acquisition of the country, these rights have been merely nominal, and to give up to them the disposal of the waste land in their villages— The Government certainly speak in para 27 of the Extract Minutes of Consultation of 14th August 1855 of "individuals and classes exclusively entitled by

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by the ancient custom of the country, to the occupation of the soil, and look for the time when the rightful holders will occupy it themselves, subletting it or part of it and no longer quietly submitting to its being given away to those who have no rightful interest in it. The views of Government regarding Meerasee were also so interpreted by the Board, in reference to other correspondence and they have fully recorded their opinions in their Proceedings of the 14th May 1856. which the Government took into consideration in the Extract Minutes of Consultation of 28th January 1857.

In Cons: 31st March 1851 No 93. R.D.

The Board are still disposed to adhere to the views of Sir. T. Munro (in his minute of 31st Decr 1824) regarding Meerasee in preference to those of Mr Ellis, and they cannot but think they had reason to

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to apprehend an undue extension of what are supposed to be meerasy Villages, when the Government in Extract Minutes Consultation of 8th March 1856 objected to the usual and well known system of receiving

Judicial Cons. 2 April 56 No 274. R.D.

Durkhasts for waste lands and condemning it as an interference, desired that the Villagers should be left to make their own arrangements as to the disposal of the waste. It was also the deliberate opinion of the Advocate General (Boards Proceedings 29th April 1856 No 1271) that the Government had officially declared their adherence to Mr Ellis views on Meerasy and that in any question before the Supreme Court, they could not attempt to oust a so called Meerasidar who surreptitiously obtained posession of waste land. The Board trust that as regards the Provinces, the question is now so far set at rest by the decision of the Court of Directors as to guide the Revenue Officers and that when the old residents of a Village, whether they call themselves meerasidars

Meerasidars or not decline to cultivate (or else pay for) waste land the usual puttahs may be given to Durkhastdars without forcing them to become Subtenants of the old Resident and that the influence which the so called Meerasidars have hitherto exercised in keeping much land out of the occupation of others though not occupying it themselves may be put an end to.—

23 The [illegible] subject for consideration is that of adopting measures to introduce more permanent occupancy of the land. The Government propose to make all the present puttahs permanent for so long as the Ryot shall not desire to contract or increase his holding and to allow Ryots who are willing to take up holding of considerable size to compound for a term of years, at a lower rate than the standard, regulated by certain fixed rules as to deductions for waste for fallow, for bad seasons &c. The Government also propose that

that where Villages are still held in shares by Meerasidars (though nominally Ryotwar) that these shares may be recognized and Village rents made for a term of years.—

24. The Court do not notice the last propositions. but object to the second on the ground that if the assessment is made moderately low and of Course with reference to an average of good and bad seasons, there seems no necessity for lowering it still further to induce Ryots to cultivate and they apprehend would lead Ryots to enter on these favorable engagements, and keep to them only so long as seasons were favorable. In these views the Board concur and though they would wish to see an increase of large holdings they would prefer to look for them as the result of moderate assessments and a gradual increase of aggricultural prosperity,

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some Special difficulty or process to be gone through for the recovery of arrears.—

28. Mr. Grant seems however to consider the Cuttack System is one, that affords security against the interference and extortion of the Native Revenue Officers and suggests its introduction in the Northern Circars This System as explained by the Honorable Mr. Elliot in his minute appended to the Extract Minutes of Consultation of 11th August 1855 is shortly as follows

The assessment is fixed on the fields and the settlement is called Ryotwar Each Ryot receives a puttah for 25 or 30 years * and the realization of the whole Village Revenue is Committed to 4 or 5 Head men or rather what Corresponds to the Carnatic Curnum called Surberakars. who engage to make good the whole Revenue of the Village or receiving a Commission of 15 or 20 per cent They are also allowed to avail themselves of whatever profit they can make out of the waste land.

* It is not stated if the Ryot is bound to pay the whole amount of his puttah even should he be unable to cultivate the land described in it.

29. It appears to the Board that these Surberakars of Cuttack are not merely an Agency for collection of Revenue, but to all intents and purpose

purposes renters of the Village and it will be for future Consideration on the Spot whether the Customs and usages of the Northern Circars are adapted to this mode of Settlement. The Board do not suppose it is intended to introduce the System generally—Something of the kind was tried formerly in the Triennial and Decennial leases but was a failure in the Carnatic and Ceded District.—

30 The different Subjects to which the Government have drawn attention having now been discussed, it only remains for the Board to observe that in the proposed scheme for a revised Survey and Assessment they are most unwilling to hamper the Officer who shall be placed in charge of that important work with restrictive details. It will be their duty under Sanction of Government to enunciate general principles only and leave it to the local examination and experience of the Assessing Officer to suggest such a mode of procedure as to details as he may see best adapted to the circumstances of the case Detailed rules that may be applicable to one District may not apply to another and

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Bd. No. 2395

Order thereon (467-468)

Ordered to be Communicated to the acting Collector with copy of the Boards Proceedings.—

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(469)
Bd. No. 2576

From the Acting Chief Secretary to Govern. } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Financial Railway Department under date the 23d. June 1857.

Sanctioning the Compensation paid by the Collector of Coimbatore for lands &c. taken up by the Madras Railway during the 1st. Quarter of 1857 amounting to Rupees 495-3-2.

(469-471) See No. 325 in separate Volume Page 765

Bd. No. 2392

Order thereon Ordered to be Communicated to the Collector.—

Bd. No. 2500

From the acting Secy. to Govt. } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 24th June 1857.

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Sactioning the estimate additional Expenditure required for the Magisterial Saderward of the Malabar District from February to May 1857 amounting to Rs. 662.

See No. 637 in Separate Volume Page 766

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(471-472)
Bd. No. 2393

Order thereon. Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Collector with copy of the Boards letter.—

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(473)
Bd. No. 2580

From the Acting Secretary to Govermnt } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 27th June 1857.—

Stating that Government consider it desirable that legal power should be given to its Officers to sell either the landed or personal property of a Defaulter.—

See No. 655 in Separate Volume Page 767

Bd. No. 2394

Order thereon— Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Malabar.—

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B.D. No. 2601

From the Ag. Secretary to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 30th June 1857.

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Resolving to request the Bombay Government to order the despatch of a Steamer to Mangalore for the purpose of transporting to the Laccadive group the usual supply of rice and provisions for the consumption of the inhabitants of the four islands

/ See No. 665 in Separate Volume / Page 768

475-476

Order thereon

B.D. No. 2625

Ordered to be recorded

From the Ag. Secretary to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 2nd June 1857.

477

Authorizing the Acting Collector of Masulipatam to lease to Mr. H. B. Smith the Village of Teegalavunkah for a period of 10 years on the terms offered by him with the remarks of Government as regards the waste land in the Sayennapollum Village which Mr. Smith likewise desired to obtain possession of

/ See No. 675 in Seperate Volume / Page 769

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477-478

B.D. No. 2585.

Order thereon

Ordered to be Communicated to the Acting Collector.

B.D. No. 2673

From the Acting Chief Secy. to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Public Department under date the 3rd July 1857.

479

Communicating a letter from the Government of India desiring that immediate information be given to them of the arrival of Telegraph Stores at any of the ports of the Madras Presidency

/ See No. 874 in seperate Volume / Page 770

479-480

Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded

B.D. No. 2651.

From the acting Secy. to Govt. } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 4th July 1857.

481

Sanctioning the payment to Mr. Underwood Collector of Sea Customs, of Rupees 1800 per mensem in lieu of all Commyssion and in addition to the Salary attached to the office, Viz. Rupees 1800 and observing that the Orders of the Honorable Court fixing the Salary at Rupees 3,000 per annum will be carried into effect on Mr. Underwood's recepsion from Office

/ See No. 677 in seperate Volume / Page 771

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B. No. 2383

Order thereon

481-482

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector with copy of the Boards Proceedings.

B. No. 2691

From Sy. Secretary to Government

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 6th July 1857.

Declining to Comply with the application of Mr. Banbury the Acting Additional Sub Collector of North Arcot to be paid the portion of the salary of that Office which remains undrawn.

→ See No. 682 in separate Volume / Page 772

B. No. 2388.

Proceedings thereon

483-484

Ordered to be forwarded to the Collector, with Copy of the Boards Proceedings for his information and for communication to Mr. Bonbury of such portion as concern him.

Extract

11542 Fort St. George 15th July 1857.

B. No. 2750

From the Acting Secy. to Govt.

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date 8th July 1857.

Stating that the Government can pass no orders on the proposed introduction of Act XXVI of 1850 into the Town of Madura until they receive the decision of the Supreme Government in respect to the abolition of the Maturpha in the Madras Presidency

→ See No. 684 in separate Volume / Page 773

485-486

B. No. 2390.

Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Collector of Madura.

No. 1213

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B. No. 2610.

From the Superintending Engineer Central Circle

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Public Works Department under date the 23rd June 1857.

Read the following papers

Letter

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Letter from the Chief Engineer
Submitting letters in Original
from the Superintendant East
Coast Canal, Collector of Madras
and Civil Auditor on the
Subject of the Establishments
of Cochranes Canal and
the Shadiencoopum Lock
accompanied by the Tabu-
lar Statement called
for by Government with
certain suggestions and
Observations thereon.

Here Enter 24th April 1857 No. 12944.

Extract from the Proceedings of the
Chief Engineer.—
Forwarding a Statement
of Increase and Decrease
to the Establishment
of the Eastern Coast
Canal Department.

Here Enter 6th June 1857 No. 983

Ordered that the Tabu-
lar Statement be Submitted to
the Government of India with the
following recommendation.—

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"The object of this application is
to raise the pay of the Superintendent
and writer of the Toll office attached
to Cochranes Canal on the ground of the
labor and great responsibility
entailed on them by the recent

Collections	Revenue
1854/55	17774
1855/56	24095
1856/57	25352

large increase of traffic
and to employ an
Establishment
for working the
Shadiencoopum
Lock. The increase in question, it must
be remarked, is lately to be progressive.
for esctended facilities for water commun-
-nication are being afforded and improve-
-ments in the exciting Canals are being
undertaken—

2d The Salary of the former Superinten-
-dent from 1837 to 1845 was Rupees 105 per month
but this was reduced when the present
incumbent was appointed to
Rupees 70— it is now proposed
to restore to the office the pay
originally

Originally attached to it.

3. The writers present pay is 24½ Rupees It is proposed to give him an increase of 5½ Rupees and make his total pay Rupees 30 per mensem This servant has now much more to do than formerly, not only from the increase in the traffic but also from having now to keep all accounts in English while before they were written in Tamil by a Conicopillay. The services of the Conicopillay were dispensed with, but no allowance was made for the Extra work thrown upon the writer.—

4 A reduction in the number and pay of Peons to meet the proposed increase of expenditure to some extent has been practicable because under the present system of levying the toll on the tonage of the boat instead of on its contents, as was the practice formerly their duty has become very light. Formerly they had to count wood, measure shells, grain &c they have now only to watch the boats arriving at the Basin.—

5. The Lock at Shaduncoopum was

was constructed to improve the navigation of the Canal It is now worked by hired men but it is thought necessary to make the Lock really useful and to preserve the works from injury that there should be a permanent Establishment. The Goomastah is necessary to superintend the Lascars generally, and to see that they are present and work the Lock regularly and promptly.—

6 The Establishment hire applied for is proposed on a moderate scale and under the explanation above Afforded the Government of Fort Saint George request the sanction of the Government of India to the increased expenditure.—

In para 5 of his letter above recorded Colonel Faber States that, in the Books and Financial Statement of the Accountant General the collections from the Cochrane Canal and the Establishment and other charges are entered under the head "Local Funds" This is not the correct course the collections from the Canal ought to be credited to the General Revenues of the country and the Toll Establishment debited to the same head The Establishment

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for working Locks and superintending the repair and improvement of the Canal should be debited to the Public Works Department The Accountant General will adopt measures to carry these instructions into effect.—

(A true Extract
(Signed) H. Forbes
Acting Secretary to Government.

No. 1706

Resolved that Copies of the foregoing Ex. Mins. Cons. No. 1212 dated 23d June 1857 be forwarded to the Boards of Revenue and Superintendent Eastern Coast Canal, for information.

Central Office of P. W.
Fort St. George
2d July 1857
} G. G. Collyer, Captain
Supg. Engr. Central Circle

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Order thereon Ordered to be recorded—

To

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No. 121.

To

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

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Bd. No. 2343

From the Collector of South Arcot. } Sir,

As bearing upon the subject of the Revenues of this District, I have the honor to forward for the information of the Board copy of a letter which I have this day addressed to the Chief Engineer, suggesting that a Collector should be kept fully informed of the actual progress of every ordinary work which is being carried on in the District

South Arcot,
Collector's Cutcherry,
Cuddalore, ———
13th June 1857 ——
} (Signed) Arthur Hall
Collector

No. 1.

To Colonel C. E. Faber
Chief Engineer P. W. Works
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to represent that under the new system of carrying on the executive

duties

duties of the Public Works Department a Collector is left in the dark as to what ordinary Works are actually in progress during each month.

2 This appears to me to be a serious evil and one likely to lead to much inconvenience and confusion with reference to the revenue administration, especially in a District like South Arcot where the people are all anxious to take up new land as soon as the means of irrigation are provided.

3. It frequently occurs that petitions and complaints are made to me regarding the state of Tanks and Channels which I refer to the District Engineer with my opinion

4. In such cases it is highly desirable that I should be made acquainted with the result of my representations and that I should have some means at hand to find out whether the work in question is commenced upon or not.

5. At present the only document by which I am able to learn what ordinary

ordinary Works are proposed is the list alluded to in your Circular No. 9308 dated 6th January 1857 when it comes for my countersignature but it is of great importance for revenue purposes that I should know when the works entered in it are actually being executed.

6. It is true that a Collector receives a Copy of the Progress Report of each month which under the provisions of Section V of the Rules for "Registers of Estimates and Progress Reports" sanctioned by Government under date 30th September 1856, a District Engineer has to submit to the Chief Engineer on the 5th of every month, but these Reports do not contain any specification or detail of the ordinary works which are being carried on under Estimates of less amount than 2000 Rs. the progress of which a Collector ought in my opinion also to be kept acquainted with.

7. Under this view I beg to suggest that I should be furnished with a full monthly Progress Report shewing all works going on in each Talook whether the Estimates are above or below 2000 Rupees.

8. Without this information it is impossible

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impossible for me to satisfy the numerous applications for the occupation of waste lands or give answers to the representations made regarding Tanks and Channels without continued references either to the District Engineer or to the Tahsildars—

9. I beg in conclusion to point out the urgent call that there is in this District for the execution of ordinary repairs and improvements, as well as for new works of irrigation such as Channels, Anicuts, and Sluices, all of which should I think, under existing circumstances, receive a greater share of attention than Roads and Bridges—

Cuddalore,
15th June 1857

(Signed) A. Hall
Collector

(True Copy)
(Signed) Arthur Hall
Collector

B. No. 2898
Cross thereon.

489-490

The Board request that the Chief Engineer will favor them with a Copy of any instructions he may issue to his Department in consequence of the foregoing letter

To—

Fort St. George 15th July 1857.

No. 94.

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

491

B. No. 2643
From the Asst. Collector
of Ganjam.

Sir,

With reference to the Extract from the Minutes of Consultation No. 300. dated the 13th April last communicated in the Board's Proceedings of the 25th Idem, I have the honor to request that an Army List may be furnished for my Office—

Ganjam District
Collector's Office,
Chatterpoor 25th June
1857.

(Signed) W. Knox
Acting Collector

The

11553.

Fort St. George 15th July 1857.

Bd. No. 2399
To the Superintent
Male Asylum Press
491-492

Ordered that the following official memorandum be sent.

Official Memorandum

The agent to the

Male Asylum Press is requested

to forward to this Office

a Copy of the Army List

for the quarter ending 30th

June last. He will continue

to forward future issues as

regularly as published until

further Orders

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George,
15th July 1857

(Signed) I D. Sim
Ag. Secretary

To

11554.

Fort St. George 15th July 1857

No. 190

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

493

Bd. No. 2621.
From the Collector
of Chingleput

Sir

With reference to Para 8
of your letter No. 962 of the 30th March
last, I have the honor to forward
herewith a list showing the places at
a distance of 30 Miles from each
of the Salt Cotaurs in this District
on the main lines of Communication,
and request that the necessary notifi-
-cation may be published in the
Official Gazette intimating that
Rowannahs will be current from
the 15th instant only within the
area included by the places above
adverted to.—

Chingleput District
Collector's Cutcherry,
Sydapet, 2d July 1857.

(Signed) C. J. Shubrick
Collector

List

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No. 1.

List of Villages Situated at a distance of a radius of 30 Miles from the — Salt Pans in the Zillah of Chingleput.—

Names of Salt Pans	Names of Roads on which the Villages are Situated—	Names of Villages &c.
1 Chomambut—	On the Trunk Road leading to Chingleput in the North	Mammundoor Choultry of Carangooly Talook in Chingleput District
	Do. Do. leading to Vandiwash, Vamembady and Teroopettoor &c.	Vandiwash of Vandiwash Talook in the North Arcot District.
	Do. Do. leading to Mysore and Bangalore &c.	Teevaroor of Chatoopet Talook in the Cuddalore District—
	Do. Southern Do. leading to Trichinopoly and Salem &c.	Chendoor of Do. in Do.
	Do. Do. leading to Do. via Kuttoor &c.	Valoodavoor of Do. in Do.
2 Chayoor—	Do. Southern Trunk Road leading to the North	Chingleput and Collettoor of Chingleput Talook in the Chingleput District—
	Do. Do. leading to the South	Bauboorayenpettah of the Carangooly Talook in Do. and Tindivanum in Cuddalore District.
	Do. leading to Western Provinces	Ootramallore, Kelianagur, Pennagur and Padeeree of Ootramallore Talook, in Chingleput District, Culputtoo and Puttoor in North Arcot District—
3 Cyanoor and Cadombady—	On the Trunk Road leading to Bangalore &c.	Wallajabad in the Conjeveram Talook and in the Chingleput District—
4 Covelong	Do. Do. leading to Chittoor and Vellore &c.	Seevaram of Do. in Do.
	Do. Do. leading to Bangalore and Mysore &c.	Padapah in the Mouemungalum Talook in Do. and Poonamallee in the Poonamallee Talook in Do.
	South Western Road leading to Teroonamally &c.	Saulavankurn in the Ootramallore Talook in Do.
5 Vadasemmenjary	Do. Western Road	Tennary and Streeperoombooor of Mouemungalum Talook and Teroomooshee in the Poonamallee Talook in Do.
	Do. Southern Road leading to the South—	Sadras Teroocalee coondrum Chingleput and Alloor in the Chingleput Talook in Do.
6 Choonambocolum and Cabsamerdrum	Do. Do. leading to Cuddapah &c.	Calavadoo in the Calastree Zemindaree—
	Do. Do. to Mysore &c.	Soorottapullee of Do.
	Do. Do. to Chittoor &c.	Keelanoor in the Periapolliem Talook in Chingleput District.
7 Pongelum and Oppanelva—	On the Western Road leading to Cuddapah &c.	Calvadoo in the Calastree Zemindaree in North Arcot—
	Do. Do. to Mysore &c.	Soorottapullee of Do.—
	Do. Do. to Chittoor	Keelanoor in the Periapolliem Talook in Chingleput District—

Chingleput District
Collector's Cutcherry
Sydapet 2d. July 1857—

(Signed) C. J. Shubrick
Collector

The

11556 Fort St. George 15th July 1857.

493-494

Bd No 2387

Proceedings thereon. The Collector

will be good enough to

abstain from making any

alterations in the existing

practice until he receives

instructions from the

Board.—

To

11557 Fort St George 15th July 1857

No 67

To. J. D. Sim Esqre

acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

495

Bd No 2623 Sir,

From the Government Pleader - - - } With reference to the Extract

from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue 8th May 1857 as noted in the Margin,

No 1462 Revenue Department - and subsequent cor-

-respondence thereon, I have the honor to

report that on the 1st instant I filed in the

Court of Sudr Adalut the answer in the ap-

-peal Suit instituted on behalf of Hooghully vs

Rama Row and No 43 of 1857.-

Madras - - - } (Signed) C. Dale

3rd July 1857 - } Govt Pleader

Order thereon

495-496

Ordered to be recorded.

No 63

To J. D. Sim Esqre

acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

497

Bd No 2624 Sir,

From the Government Pleader - - - } I have the honor to acknowledge

receipt of an Extract from the Proceedings of the

Proceedings Board of Revenue 2nd July 1857 Board as noted in the margin,

No 2259 Revenue Department - and to state for the information

of the Board that I have not received any Instructions

from the acting Collector of Masulipatam on the

subject

Subject to which those proceedings refer.-

Madras - - -
3rd July 1857 - } (Signed) C. Dale
Order thereon Government Pleader
(497-498) Ordered to be recorded.

No 82

To J. D. Sim Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Court of Wards
Fort St George

(499)

Bd No 2760

From the Collector of Rajahmundry - }

Sir

I have the honor with reference to the Proceedings of the Court of Wards dated 22nd ultimo No 2119. to enclose the Promissory Notes noted in the Margin amounting to fifty thousand Rs (50,000) and to request that the receipt of the same may be acknowledged. The interest has been made payable from this Treasury.-

Five per Cent Loan of 1856/57 dated 1st February 1857 No 1021 to 1030 inclusive Rupees 50,000.

Rajahmundry District,
Collector's Office
Cocanada 4th July 1857. } (Signed) A. Parois
Collector

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.-

(500)

To The Collector of
Rajahmundry

Sir

Bd No 2403

To the Collector of Rajahmundry }

I am directed by the Court of Wards to inform you that the ten Government Promissory

Promissory Notes entered in the Margin belonging to the Minor Zemindar of Pittapoor, which accompanied your letter dated 4th July 1857 No 82 have been duly received in this Office.-

			Rs
No 1021 - 5 per Cent Loan of 1856/57			5000
" 1022	do		5,000
" 1023	do		5,000
" 1024	do		5,000
" 1025	do		5,000
" 1026	do		5,000
" 1027	do		5,000
" 1028	do		5,000
" 1029	do		5,000
" 1030	do		5,000
Total Rs Fifty thousand			50,000

In Cert 15th July 1857 - 2760.

Revenue Board Office. - - -
Fort St George 15th July 1857 - } (Signed) J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary

Ordered also that the following letter be sent.-

(499-501)

To The Accountant General

Sir

Bd No 2404

To the Accountant General - - - - }

Fort St George

I am directed by the Court of Wards to forward to you the ten Government Promissory notes entered in the Margin belonging to the Minor Zemindar of Pittapoor in the Rajahmundry District for registry in the Bond Department of your Office previous to their transfer to the General Treasury for deposit.-

			Rs
No 1021 - 5 per Cent Loan of 1856/57			5000
" 1022	do		5,000
" 1023	do		5,000
" 1024	do		5,000
" 1025	do		5,000
" 1026	do		5,000
" 1027	do		5,000
" 1028	do		5,000
" 1029	do		5,000
" 1030	do		5,000
Total Rs Fifty thousand			50,000

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It is requested that the interest

interest on these Bonds may be made payable at Madras.-

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St George 15th July 1857

(Signed) J. D. Sim
acting Secretary

No 192

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

Sir

At the request of the Company's Solicitor I have the honor to forward herewith copy of a letter addressed by him to me in reply to an application made to him for the recovery of the Abkarry Balances due by Messrs Henrick & Co under the Board's orders dated the 19th June 1857.-

502

Bd No 2713

From the Collector of Chingleput ---

Chingleput District,
Collector's Cutcherry,
Sydapet 6th July 1857.

(Signed) C. J. Shubrick
Collector

No 1
No 381

To The Collector of
Chingleput

Sir

With reference to my letter of the 2nd Instant No 379, I have the honor to annex a copy of my letter to Mr Adamson and

and Doveton Bamboo Row of the 2nd Instant No 378.-

Mr Adamson called at my Office yesterday on the subject of the Honorable Company's claim. I then read to him your letter to me of the 23d Ultimo No 458 and the Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue under date the 19th Ultimo No 2097 and dismissed the adjustment of the claim, and he left me with the understanding that in the Course of yesterday he should address a letter to me containing a modified proposal and an entreaty for further consideration that I should forward a copy of this letter when received to you for submission to the Board of Revenue and that pending their orders thereon I should stay all proceedings.-

Under these circumstances I was much surprised by the contents of Messrs Henrick & Co's letter to me of yesterday's date (but not delivered till this morning) and still more so by the very objectionable contents and tone of Messrs Henrick and Co's letter to the Board of Revenue of yesterday's date especially Para 2. seeing that that letter was written after

Mr

Fort St George 15th July 1857

Mr Adamson was fully aware of the contents of your letter to me above noted and the Extract from the Board of Revenue Proceedings No 2097.-

I would beg to suggest that a copy of this communication be forwarded to the Board of Revenue.-

4th July 1857 -

(Signed) J. R. Boyson
Hon Cos Solicitor

(True Copy)

(Signed) C. J. Shubrick
Collector

502-503

Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded with reference to the Board's Proceedings dated 8th Instant.-

No 171

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

504

After Bc No 2731

Sir

From the Collector of North arcot - - -

I have the honor to solicit the attention of the Board to the fact that the present abkary rent will terminate in 3 days and that I am as yet without instructions regarding the new lease.-

2

My letter detailing the offers

Fort St George 15th July 1857.-

received up to 12 O'Clock on the 20th ultimo was forwarded to the Board on the 25th idem.-

North arcot Collectors Cutchery
Chittoor 8th July 1857 - - - - -

(Signed) C. Whittingham
Collector

Order thereon.

504-505

Ordered to be recorded the Board's Proceedings on the subject having been forwarded on the 7th Instant.

Bc No 2727

From the Sub Treasurer - -

506

Received into the Honorable Company's Cash from the Board of Revenue the sum of Company's Rupees (132-5-3) One hundred and thirty two, annas five and pice three being the balance of the amount drawn by them for the repairs of the Shops of Saint Thomas Mount as per letter from the Accountant General under date the 20th Ultimo.-

Fort St George
General Treasury
8th July 1857 - -

(Signed) S. D. Birch
Sub Treasurer

Order thereon

506-507

Ordered to be recorded.-

Resolved that the following letters be despatched.-

To

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508

Bd No. 2382
To the Government Pleader

To
The Government Pleader
Sir -

With reference to the Minutes Consultation of Government under date the 18th February last, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that you will inform them when they may expect a communication from you relative to the proposed Act for "regulating the powers and duties of the Revenue officers in the Territories subject to the Government of Fort St George" which they suppose to be now under preparation by you under the instructions contained in the 31st Para of the Minutes of Consultation referred to above.-

2 With reference to Para 3 of that order they propose to forward for your consideration in the course of a few days an outline of the Provisions they think should be included in the Act constituting the Board of Revenue a Court of Wards.-

Revenue Bd Office
Fort St George
15th July 1857

Signed J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary

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509

Bd No. 2384
To the Collector of Ganjam - - - -
Vizagapatam and Madura -

To
The Collectors of
Ganjam
Sir

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that you will fill up and return the accompanying Statement as soon as possible- you will exclude the large Proprietary Estates from the return which should shew only the number average size &c of the Government Talooks of your District.-

Revenue Board Office. - -
Fort St George 15th July 1857 -

(Signed) J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary

Statement

Names of the Districts	No. of Talooks in which Tasildars are employed	Average area of each Talook in Square Miles	Average Population of each Talook	Average Number of Ryots or rent payers in each Talook	Average amount of Revenue collected by each Tahsildar
1	2	3	4	5	6
1 Ganjam - - - -					
2 Vizagapatam - - -					
3 Madura - - -					

These particulars should be given for Fasly 1265.

(Signed) J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary

Received

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Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous letters and Statements.-

570
Mr No 1490 From the Collector of Salem- Return of the Sheristadars and Tahsildars as they stood on the 1st May 1857

571
Mr No 1495 From the Collector of Trichinopoly- Comparative Statement Shewing

572
Mr No 1496 the Demand for Fusly 1265 and 1266.-

From the Collector of Trichinopoly- Comparative Statement Shewing the Collections on account of arrears and Current

573
Mr No 1497 of Fusly 1266-

From the Collector of Nellore- Return of fines imposed and stoppages made from the pay of the Public Servants for quarter ending 30th June

574
Mr No 1499 1857-

From the Offg Agent of Kurnool- Return of fines imposed and stoppages made

575
Mr No 1498 from the pay of the Public Servants for quarter ending 30th June 1857-

From the Actg Collector of Malabar- Return of fines imposed and stoppages made

576
Mr No 1491 from the pay of the Public Servants for quarter ending 30 June 1857.-

From the Collector of Rajahmundry- Return of Public Servants suspended or dismissed from employment during the quarter ending

Mr No 1492 30th June 1857

From the Collector of Malabar Return of Public Servants suspended or dismissed from employment during the quarter ending

518
Mr No 1486- 30th June 1857.

From the Offg agent of Kurnool- Reporting the non transmission of certain

529
Mr No 1488. Periodical Returns for quarter ending 30th June 1857.

From the acting Collr of Guntoor- Rain Report for June 1857.

Mr No 1487.

From the Offg agent of Kurnool- Rain Report for June 1857.

Mr No 1489.

From the Offg agent of Kurnool- Return of Persons charged with Offences under Regulation

522
Mr No 1494

From the Actg Collector of Masulipatam- Return of Villages Officers suspended or dismissed under Regulation

523
Mr No 1493. VI of 1831 for June 1857.

From the Collr of Malabar- Return of Village Officers suspended or dismissed under Regulation VI of 1831 for June 1857.

Proceedings

Fort St George

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Thursday the 16th July 1857.

Read the following Papers.

514
Br No 2528
From the Actg Secy to Government

Revenue Department

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 28th June 1857.

Resolving to transfer the Board's Proceedings with its accompaniments relative to the experimental plantations of Australian Trees on the Neilgherries and the attempted reclamation of the Khadars and Bailcard to the Conservator of Forests with a view to his investigating into the matter thereon treated of and reporting on the same to Government.

/See No 655 in Separate Volume/ Page 774

524-525
Br No 2409
Order thereon-

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Coimbatore-

526
Br No 2578
From the Actg Secretary to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 29th June 1857.
Public Works Dept Public

Desiring that the Collector of Madras be instructed to select in communication with the Municipal Commissioners

Commissioners in lieu of the Ground near the Friend in need Society's work Shop some other spot situated on either Side of the river for the purpose of being converted into a wood Depot. — / See No. 1266 in Separate Volume / Page 776

526-527
Bd No. 2417
Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector.

528
Bd No. 2608
From the Ag Secretary to Government

Revenue Department
Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 30th June 1857.

Approving of the instructions issued by the Board to the Acting Collector of Canara respecting the reform of the Village Police of that District and stating that Government will await the revised scheme which that officer has been called upon to submit. / See No. 664 in Separate Volume / Page 777

528-529
Bd No. 2410
Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Collector.

Bd No. 2000
From the Sg. Secy to Government

Revenue Department
Extract from the Minutes of Consultations under date 1st July 1857.

530
Detailing the course that will be observed in

in future in reference to the representations of the Government Pleader for his being furnished on all occasions in which the prevention or defence of a Suit is to be conducted at the public expence with an order of Government authorizing him to appear on behalf of the Officers. / See No. 669 in Separate Volume / Page 778

530-531
Bd No. 2408
Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Collector of Masulipatam.

Bd No. 2730
From the Acting Secretary to Government

Revenue Department
Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 8th July 1857.

532
Sanctioning the disbursements of the arrears amounting to Rupees 4554-5-10 due to Yeomiah dar Sitaramma of Kellore and the issue of her pension Rs 67-7-4 per annum in future / See No. 686 in seperate Volume / Page 779

532-533
Bd No. 2487
Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Collector.

534
Bd No. 2765
From the Sg. Secretary to Government

Revenue Department
Extract from the Minutes of Consultations under date the 9th July 1857.

Sanctioning the refund to

Colonel Carpenter —— of Rupees 50, the amount of Import duty paid by him on a box of Shawls erroneously sent out from England and on which Export duty had been paid in Calcutta —

/See Pls 690— Seperate Volume/ Page 780

534-535

Bd No 2413

Order thereon.

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Sea Customs.

JO.

536

Bd No 679

From the Collector of Madras

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

Sir,

1. I have the honor to report as directed by the Board's Endorsement received to day, on the subject of Petitions Nos 400 of 1857.

Reporting as directed by the Board's Endorsements on the subject of Petitions presented by certain Toddy Shop Rupers complaining against the Abkarry Superintendent in the mode of his charging them with tax on trees and representing the case of one Soobroyalooroy, a Beer & Wine Merchant

2. I could have wished that the Board had desired Petitioners to submit any Endorsements on the questions on which they complain, such Endorsements being invariably given to them, and to explanatory of the points at issue that I believe the Board would have been able to dispose of the petitions.

3. Whatever steps have been lately taken to check the frauds committed by

by the Toddy Shop Rupers have been directed by myself the Superintendent having only the Agent carrying out my instructions

4. I have been recently appointed by one and coming to preside over a Department — which had of late been neglected and endeavouring to introduce more order and regularity into it of course he has become obnoxious to the Shopkeepers, as interfering with the illicit gains they had so long enjoyed

5. Various rules in the Department have been enforced and the delinquents in some measure brought to account but the authorized penalties have not been stringently carried out as it was my wish to introduce Reforms with moderation.

6. The parties however see that a stricter system is commencing, and that it is worth while attempting to stave it off by addressing the authorities and employing Vakeels, to present exaggerated petitions, and being some of them wealthy men, it is currently reported that they are prepared to spend a round sum in the attempt to accomplish their object.

7. Although the present Abkarry System is in my opinion unsatisfactory, both to the Shopkeepers, and

and in a greater degree to the Government and although it is my wish as I have already reported to the Board to attempt a modification of it yet I am by no means certain that any great radical change can be effected - The record of the Board prove that many suggestions to that end have been put forward and found impracticable, and in consequence the system introduced by the Renter and the Shopkeepers themselves in 1826, as the best under the circumstances for the protection of their mutual interests has been continued until this time -

8. The alleged grievance therefore of the trees interspersed with those allotted to the Shop being changed as "Lajeck" when they arrived at working order is no new one - They have rented their Shops under a full knowledge of the existing practice in which I cannot recommend a change at the present time -

9. When any Superintendent has had longer experience of his duties

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duties it is my wish to endeavour to improve this practice, but as my predecessors have indeed on various occasions reported a large amount of revenue would be endangered by the request of the Petitioners being granted, and moreover it is unfair to the Government interests that this point should be ceded without the entire system being remodelled, and matters placed as regards both parties the Government and the Toddy Renters on an equitable footing -

I have already endorsed at some length a petition presented by Mr. Wilson, as Vakeel to certain Shopkeepers on the subject of these "Lajeck" trees, and their petitions so endorsed will probably be laid before the Board -

10. The other question the alleged grievance of Sobaray Grannies has also been brought before me by the same Vakeel, and has been fully

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fully endorsed.

12. The question so far as this Office is concerned is - I think a simple one.

13. Information having been given before me on oath, that deponent had on a certain specified date, bought some Arrack at the shop [licensed only for Beer and Wine] of the above Grainy - I signed a warrant under Section XX of Act XIX of 1852. for Search and Seizure for the spirituous liquor kept, as I had reason to believe in that shop. The warrant was duly executed, a certain quantity of Arrack was seized together with all the Beer and Wine in the shop which according to the opinion of the Advocate General [20th September 1853] is liable to confiscation under the Act.-

14 The case was committed to the Royapetta Police Court, and the Magistrate went some way into the examination of it, but finally ordered it to be taken on the following day to

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to the Town Police within the limits of which the alleged offence had been Committed.-

15 The Magistrates there examined the prosecutor only, and then finding that the case had been enquired into at the Royapetta Police Court forthwith dismissed it. In so doing, I believe that the Magistrates erred, no adjudication had taken place and it was I apprehend their duty, to examine the case anew and dispose of it.

16 The case having been dismissed by them a re-entering upon it was impracticable and I was obliged to be content with the Charge having dropped through in this unsatisfactory manner. As far as I know the case was a good one, and this Office has perhaps some grounds to be dissatisfied at its attempts to carry out the provisions of the Law being thus thwarted.-

17 As soon as I was informed of the disposal of the case, I directed the Return of the property seized

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seized, a list of which had been taken down on the spot by the Gomastahs of the office in the presence of the Granny and a Police officer. The goods were returned according to this list except one dozen bottles of Beer and Porter which the Shopkeeper declined to receive as not being his own—

18 A few days afterwards he petitioned through Mr. Wilson for compensation for alleged damage done to the liquor while in Custody and for the Return of sundry bottles of wine and Beer stated to be short received—

19 I replied by endorsement that nothing irregular had in my opinion taken place, that the Shop-Keeper had received all that was taken, save the small quantity above noticed, and that, if aggrieved he should seek Redress in the Civil Courts—

20 As he neglects to bring his action I think that I shall be able successfully to defend

6·12—

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defend it—

Madras — — —
17th February 1857 } (Signed) B. Cunliffe
Collector

B No. 2427

Proceedings thereon (536-537) The Board Consider Mr. Cunliffe's

explanations in regard to the various Com-
plaints preferred by the Petitioners Satis-
factory—

2 In his Endorsement dated 16th February he observes that he is aware that by Section XIX of 1852 — XIV of the Abkarry Act, it was not — Competent for him to seize the liquor in Soobbroy Chetty's Shop—

3 This the Board presume was not intended as an admission of his having gone beyond the powers vested in him by the act but merely to meet the plea — advanced viz: that forfeiture of licence and fine are the only penalties provided in that section—

4 It is clear that while under Section XIV of a act XIX of 1852 breach of any of the Conditions of the licence granted under the

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the act is punishable by fine & section XVI prescribes a separate penalty viz^t^ seizure and Confiscation the enforcement of which is imperative in every case and cannot therefore be Contingent on the provisions of Sections XIV having been first carried out-

5 The Board await the Reforms hinted at in para 9 on the subject of "Layids" Trees they would be glad to see a modification of the present practice by which the Soddy Contractors would be relieved from the interference of the officers of Government-

6 Ordered that the following Endorsement must be passed upon petitioners Rec^d^ 400-965-975- & 2270 of 1857-

1 "The Board have received a detailed Report from the Collector on the subject of these petitions and they do not see that the Petitioners have any grounds for Complaint-"

2 "The Custom of Charging for

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for "Layids" Trees of which they Complain has subsisted for 30 years and the Petitioners were fully aware of it when they rented their Shops The Board will take into Consideration any modification of the system that the Collector may think expedient-

3 "With Regard to the Complaint touching the seizure of Liquor and the proceedings subsequently held in the matter the Petitioners are referred to the Collectors endorsement of 10th February 1857 of which the Board approve"-

4 "The seizure of all liquor of every description found in possession of Soobroy Chetty was under the Circumstances perfectly legal section XVI of the

Ab Harry

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Al Karry Act rendering that
Course imperative and being as
Regards penalty independent of
Section XIV."—

5. "The other points set
forth in these petitioners of appeal have
been disposed of in the Collec-
-tors decision and do not
call for further notice."—

To

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No 49

No. 538
Bd. No. 2167
Answd. Agt. Collr. of Canara

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

Sir,

I have the honor to request that the Board of Revenue will be pleased to obtain for me the sanction of Government for the payment of a monthly rent of 6 Rupees for the Building now hired and made use of as a Civil Dispensary at Honore. This rent is now in arrears from July 1856, and as the old Jail building will not, from all I hear, be available as proposed for the purposes of a Civil Dispensary for some time, I solicit sanction to pay rent for the present building at the above rate during such time as it may be so occupied.

2. The hire of the present Dispensary was under Board's Orders dated 29th May 1854, defrayed up to the end of the past fusly closing on the 30th June 1856, out of the

Govt. 6th May 1854

accumulations

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accumulations of rent realized from a Government building at Honore called "Jack's Bungalow," this property having since been disposed of by public auction under orders of Government dated the 12th December 1854, and the proceeds of sale with the balance of rent then in hand, amounting to Rupees 1,432—5—4, placed to the credit of Government, it has become necessary to make provision for the payment of rent from some other source and to obtain sanction for charging the same in the accounts.

x In Cons. 15 Jan. 1858 Rs. 1175—0—0
Jan. 7/57 257—5—4
1432—5—4

3. The adaptation of the old Jail building at Honore to the purposes of a Civil Dispensary is now under consideration and will form subject of early report, but in the meantime I have the honor to solicit the permission of Government to charge the arrears and such further amount of rent, as may become due until the building be vacated, in my accounts.

Collector's Cutcherry
Mangalore
29th May 1857

[Signed] J. D. Robinson
Acting Collr.

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Bd. Cons. No. 2402

To the Actg. Secretary to Government Revenue Department dated 29th May 1857
In Cons. 16th July 1857 No. 2167

To
The Actg. Revenue Secretary

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to submit for the orders of Government the accompanying letter from the Acting Collector of Canara soliciting sanction for the payment of a monthly rent of Rupees six for the house occupied as a Civil Dispensary at Honore.

2. These premises were rented by the Collector in 1853 as a temporary arrangement until the completion of the new Jail then in course of construction, when the old Jail was to be appropriated as a Dispensary. Government approved of this arrangement and authorized the Collector to disburse the charge from the accumulated rent of a Government building called Jack's bungalow. This latter however was subsequently sold by public auction and the sale proceeds amounting to Rs. 1175 and

From Government 6th May 1854
In Cons. 29th July 1854 No. 429

To Government 30th Novr. 1854
From Bd. 12th Decr. No. 1624 Revn. Dept.
In Cons. 18th Decr. 1854

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and the balance of rent then in hand Viz.t 257-5-4 were carried to the credit of Government The Fund from which the rent of the building temporarily occupied as a Dispensary was to be defrayed is consequently no longer at the Acting Collector's disposal and he therefore requests sanction for charging the rent in the public accounts from 1st July 1856 until the old Jail is made available. The Board recommend that sanction may be granted accordingly. They remark however that the accumulated proceeds of the rent of Jack's Bungalow were only carried to account in January 1857 and the charge for the temporary building might have been defrayed from this source up to that date

3.

An early report is

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is promised by the Acting Collector on the alterations to be made in the old building in order to adopt it to the purposes of a civil Dispensary.

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Fort St.e George
16th July
1857

Signed J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary

No. 1

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

Sir,

In compliance with the instructions received from the Government and the Board I have the honor to submit a further report on the necessity for keeping up the Ummeravally spans and the Establishment required.

2 Agreeably to my orders the establishment now working these spans is as noted in the Margin, the Superintendant of Nowpada having the nominal Supervision the whole of the work and real responsibility resting with the Prishear who is an Official who

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B.d No.a 2264
From the Acting
Coll.r of Ganjam
Reporting further
on the necessity of
keeping up the
Ummeravally
salt pans

	Rs.	
Fixed		
1- Prishear	20	0
2- Goomastah	12	0
3. Sheroffe	10	0
4- Buffalers	10	0
5- Peons @ Rs. 6 each	6	0
24 Peons @ Rs. 4 each	96	0
6 Measurers @ Rs. 3 do.	18	0
	172	0
Contingent	10	0
	182	0

Additional
2 Raigues @ Rs. 12 each 24
20 Peons @ Rs. 6 each 120
1 Writer Rs. 4 4
Total 148
Contingent 10
158

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who receives 20 Rupees a month this is a system that has already been condemned and which I had hoped would not have again been tried. It is impossible for the Superintendent of Nowpadar with three platforms to look after another set of pans 24 Miles off advantage is taken of his absence at both places. This year he has not been able to visit Ummerally since the orders were received for him to take charge there were such Crowds of Brinjaries at Nowpada Clamoring for salt that his presence was urgently necessary to keep them quiet the more so, as there was every reason to fear that two hostile clans were preparing to fight out an old feud and I had to send up a body of Sebundies to prevent a recurrence of a faction fight

Since this was written he has been to Ummerally

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fight similar to one last year in which several lives were lost.

3. The number of pans and measurers has been calculated on the lowest scale to be efficient although we be gain very late in the season the amount of salt already made is maunds 69,430 taking this in round numbers at Rs 69,430 there will remain a profit to Government of Rs 59,662 after deducting 5 percent for wastage and the manufacturing charge Rs besides the profits on the salt made in May and June probably 30,000 Maunds or with a Superintendent at 100 Rupees a month Rupees 58,462 and as long as Government can realize this and at the same time give increased facility for the purchase of salt in all the Country round. I hold it not only

Gross Income 69,430
Deduct wastage at 5 per Cent 3,471
Remuneration 306
Establishment 2,745
Covering Gross 485
6,768
Net 59,662

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only their interest but their duty to make this expenditure and as far as possible remedy the evil of a monopy

I will state in as few words as possible my reasons for again urging that these pans be made permanent

They are:

First. The uncertainty of the seasons and the short time for making salt make it necessary that our supply should not be dependent on only 2 Calmers our rains begin here as the Board are well aware in may and we have often rains in February and April which throw back the work while the agricultural operations are not over till December and till then the ryots will not work at salt

Secondly. The great demand for salt to supply the Bringaries a demand which has increased and is sure to increase as the communications with the interior are opened the

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the profits in this trade is very great and competition would be much greater were parties sure of finding a supply ready for them. On this head I would refer to Colonel H. Cotton's remarks on the obligation we are under to keep up the supply and afford facilities to the trade so that the salt may be sold as cheaply as is possible.

Third The difficulty of meeting this demand.

The Board complain that they have only my assertion before them but this is founded on experience and the Board will see by the accompanying statement how often the old salt has been expended before the new Crop has been got in and how

how the sales have risen to 5 lac
or nearly 6 lacs from 2 3/4 lacs
from 1262. To keep a years supply in store
has been utterly impracticable and I have
had to refuse frequent applications
for salt for shipment to Calcutta this
branch of the trade will be a very
popular one with Native shipowners
if a supply is kept up.

Fourthly The closing the salt
pans in the Vizagapatam district will
naturally throw the trade into this.
Very large quantities are yearly taken
by Merchants to Paravatepoor to
barter for Ilyram with the Brin-
garies and Banwars and others
who supply the Hills with
salt and other such necessaries.
The Ummervelly salt though
not as good for carriage is much
liked by the people and would
be

be consumed in large quantities
leaving that at Nowpada for
export either by land or sea the
latter will be comparatively easy
when the Canal is finished to
Calingapatam.

Salt is now selling at a very
high rate and this must even be
the case till there is a large supply
in store to keep the retail dealers
supplied with old salt. The being
obliged to sell new salt during the
time of manufacture gives immense fac-
lities to smuggling but it cannot be
avoided till we can make more
than a years supply.

Again the pans at Ummervelly have
always been more easily guarded and
the ryots less inclined to defraud Go-
vernment than those at Nowpada
these pans are capable of great
enlargement

enlargement. I have lately been talking over the subject with Lieutenant Palmer the Executive Officer who had his attention called to a new line of channel to supply salt water he has been over the ground with the principal manufacturers and all are satisfied that if this new channel be made they could nearly double the present yield. The cost of this channel would be about 10,000 Rupees It is some two & half or three miles long.

Lastly. I fear the out turn at Ganjam pans will not turn out as well as was expected unless Government will increase the rate per Garce. The ryots there Complain that they can make more money in Bengal they get there 20 Rupees a Garce but the salt is made by evaporation and boiling there, and cannot be compared accurately with that made solely by evaporation

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The Ganjam salt is the most expensive to Government in the District as there are natural difficulties to be overcome the ryots knew that Government required more salt than usual and they all but struck work in hopes of forcing Government to give a higher rate per Garce it was only by great exertion on the part of my Assistants and the Superintendent that men were got to work the pans I think it will be more economical and better for Government and the people that the Ganjam pans be no more extended but that those of Nammeravelly be kept up they can easily be shut up when the supply exceeds the demand till then justice and policy require them to be worked.

With reference to the Extra Gomastah I beg to explain that his duties are not so much to prevent smuggling as to assist

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in taking down the account of each days manufacture all the salt is brought in about the same time between 3 and 5 and there should be a Gomastah at each platform for this duty as also to keep the account when the salt is measured as the heaping must go on all the platforms simultaneously as the work will not be done before the heavy N. E. Monsoon sets in, under this explanation I hope the appointment will be sanctioned.

I have as ordered reduced the Golah peons to Duffadars on 10 Rupees the saving Rupees 6 should I think be expended in an allowance of 2 Rs. per Mensem for house rent till suitable Cutcherries are built an increase of Rupees 2 for Sundar ward and the 2 might be given to encrease the pay of two of the most active peons giving them rank as Naicks.

Ganjam District
Collrs Office
Chetterpore
30th May 1857

Signed W. Knox
Ag. Collr

Extract from General Observations of Lieut W. C. Palmer for April 1857.-

3 Inspected the salt pans at Ooneroilly and the repairs. The ryots state that the supply of sea water is above the average supply of former years. They urgently request that a new channel may be given them from the sea to increase the supply of sea water, I inspected the place on the sea shore where they wish the new channel taken from it is an opening in the sand hills caused by the discharge of the water of the Byree Daree Channel into the sea and about 2 miles distant from the pans. The cost of the main channel which appears quite practicable and the smaller Channels would be about

10,000

10,000 Rupees including a Calingulah
across the main Channel so
to retain the sea water after
the high tides, were this
Channel dug, the ryots state
they could make 3 times the
amount of salt that they
do now. The average revenue for
the last 5 years from the
salt at these pans amounts
to Rupees 99,049 and were only
double the amount of salt
made it would add one lac
of Rupees to the revenue
a greater return than would
be

be obtained by the ex-
penditure of many lacs of
Rupees on irrigation works
and I have to observe that
the supply of salt is very
greatly below the demand
for the article.

Coll'rs Remark "I think this deserving of much conside
ration, I strongly advocate keeping up these
pans and will send a Copy of this
to the Board of Revenue."

/Signed/ W. Knox
Ag. Coll'r

/True Copy/
/Signed/ W. Knox
Ag. Coll'r

Memo

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A Return showing the date on which the Salt of the Year was commenced.

Return showing the date on which the Salt of the Year was commenced.

Number	Year	Name of Station	Date on which the Salt of the year was commenced	Date on which the Salt of the previous year was commenced	Remarks
1	1856	Nowpadah	1st May	1st May	
2	1855	Nowpadah	1st May	1st May	
3	1858	Nowpadah	1st May	1st May	
4	1859	Nowpadah	1st May	1st May	
5	1860	Nowpadah	1st May	1st May	
6	1861	Nowpadah	1st May	1st May	
7	1862	Nowpadah	1st May	1st May	
8	1863	Nowpadah	1st May	1st May	
9	1864	Nowpadah	1st May	1st May	
10	1865	Nowpadah	1st May	1st May	
11	1866	Nowpadah	1st May	1st May	

Ganjam Collectorate
Chatterpoor
30th May 1856

Signed W. Stevenson
Sg. Collr.

Proceedings

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Bd. No. 2411

Proceedings thereon. 1.

In this communication the Acting Collector submits a recommendation, with the reasons on which it is founded for the permanent continuance of the Womaravilly Salt Pans.

Requesting the Acting Collr to furnish information on various points and to report more fully with reference to his proposition for the permanent continuance of the Womaravilly Salt Pans.

2. Before they can lay the matter before Government the Board require to be informed more clearly of the establishment which the Kuroy considers necessary for the purpose. By the margin to the 1st and 2nd Paras of his letter, he has noted the establishment now employed, but a part of this is termed fixed, and a part additional, and in Para 3 he intimates an opinion that without a Superintendent, seperate from that at Nowpadah, on Rs 150 a Month, full efficiency cannot be obtained. The Board apprehend that the government will not sanction any servants under so vague a terms as additional. If it means only, it should be so stated and the necessity explained and if on full consideration the Kuroy is of opinion that the public interests require that there should be a seperate Superintendent on a high salary at Womaravilly, he should make a clear and specific recommendation to that effect.

&c

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He will be pleased to shew the establishment he would propose in a separate statement to be enclosed in his report in answer to these Proceedings.

3. This report should be accompanied by a small Sketch Map exhibiting the various Salt Cotaurs of the District and the lines of road by which they communicate with the interior.

4. At the same time he will furnish the Board with his opinion on the suggestion of Lieut. W. C. Palmer to form a new Channel for the supply of Sea water to the Womaravelly Pans.

5. It is alternatively is also called to the request contained in the Board's Proceedings of the 18th February last, that he should report fully on the various points having relation to the expediency of forming a Depôt at Calingapatam with a Canal from Nowpadah to that place. In closing so he will not omit to notice the effect which the carrying out of this project would have on the necessity of maintaining the Cotaur at Womaravelly.

6. With reference to the last para but one of the Collector's letter the Board request that he will shew

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by reference to former correspondence to what Gomastah he alludes. The Board regret to have to observe the frequency with which Mr Ravy omits to afford this necessary aid to the disposal of the reports he submits to the Board. The present communication introduces the subject of Womaravilly Pans without any reference to the dates of the orders of Government or the Board to which it professes to be a reply.

7. The two last paras of the Collector's letter also are without numbers.

8. Adverting to the concluding para the Board observe that they do not understand what the Acting Collector means by the reduction of the Golah Pons to Duffadars on 10 Rupees. The Government desired that the Golah Pons should be dispensed with altogether, but permitted such an additions to be made to the pay of 2 of the 4 Duffadars then on the list as would increase their pay to 10 Rupees. It should be explained whether more than 4 Duffadars have been entertained. It is presumed that the Rupees saving, mentioned by the acting Collector, is at each Cotaur. The appropriation of a portion of it to the temporary purposes of Rent of Cutcherry and Sadarwaud seems objectionable and the Acting Collector will therefore be pleased to reconsider the matter and submit

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Submit a fresh proposition.

9. A fear is expressed by Mr Knox — that the outturn of the Pans at Ganjam would be deficient unless Government should increase the rate of hire to the manufacturers was omitted to be noticed in the proper order. It is not clear that it is Mr Knox's wish to grant an increase for he makes no specific proposition to that end, but only states that he thinks that it will be more economical and better for Government and the people that the Ganjam pans be no more extended, but those of Vomeracolly kept up. If he deems it necessary to increase the cultivators' hire, he should state the rate now paid and when it was fixed, on what calculation and the augmentation considered necessary.

10. In laying before Government a proposition for a permanent increase of the Salt Establishment in Ganjam, it will also be proper to shew by a Statement whether the Sales, have increased or decreased of late years. The Acting Collector will accordingly be pleased to furnish the Board with one prepared in the manner which he deems best adapted to put this matter in a proper light.

J.

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No 192.

To

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

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Vide No 2316
From the Collector of
Vizagapatam ... 3

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that a report having been received in the Month of February 1856, that certain timber had been cut on the Vickramasingapooram Hills in the Bromma-Sum Talook without permission, the same was confiscated and sold by Public Auction by order of the Sub-Collector for Rs 28-0-, and the amount carried to the credit of Government included in the demand for November 1856. Now as the Sub-Collector recommends that half the Sale amount, or Rupees 14, may be paid to the informer, I request you will be good enough to furnish me with the necessary sanction for the payment of the same.

Signed J. Silver
Collector.

Vizagapatam,
10th June, 1857.
Rs No 2381

Resolution thereon
522-543

Resolved that the foregoing letter be submitted for the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, with the Board's recommendation that Sanction be granted for the payment to the informer, of Rs 10-3-0

being

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being half the amount of the Sale proceeds which have been carried to the credit of Government of certain Timber that had been cut on the Vellera-=masingaporam Hills in the Bimmanatam Talook without authority.

No. 6.

I &c.,

J. D. Sim, Esqre
Acting Secretary Bd of Revt
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 2048 of the 16th Instant which reaches me late last evening.

2. On the 18th Instant, I received the instruments noted in the margin of your letter under reply with the exception of the following articles, which have not reached me.

1 Measuring Chain (100 feet) with 11 arrows
1 Do. (50 feet) without "
1 Spare Divider.

I have the honor to be Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) R. W. Sullivan
Sub-Collector

North Arcot
Sub-Collector's Office
Vellore 20th June, 1857

524
Bd No. 2390
From the Sub-Collector of North Arcot
Railway Returns

524-525
Bd No. 2389
To the Sub-Collector of North Arcot

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.

To
The Sub-Collector of
North Arcot.

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated 20th

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20th Ultimo acknowledging receipt of all the Survey-Instruments despatched for your use from this Office, except the two chains and one Spare Divider included in the list forwarded with the Board's letter, I am desired by the Board to explain that the chains were not sent thro' an oversight and that the Spare Divider will be found in the case of Mathematical instruments where it was put for security.

2. The chains will be forwarded by tomorrow's train to Vellore and you are requested to acknowledge their receipt.

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(Signed) J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary.

No. 64.

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

526
Bd No. 2538
From the Collector of Bellary

Sir,

Fort St George

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Board's Proceedings of 19th Instant No. 2093, conveying Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 5th Instant approving of the scale of Police Establish-=ment proposed by me for the Eastern Port

of

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of the town of Bellary which has been ordered for transfer to the Civil Authorities from the Military Cantonment, and directing to submit a Tabular Statement in the prescribed form for the same - I accordingly beg to enclose a Statement for the full cost of the Civil Police Establishment proposed to be entertained in the town of Bellary and beg to request that the Board will be pleased to obtain the necessary sanction for the same.

Bellary, Collector's Office,
25th June, 1857 .....

Signed C. Pelly,
Collector.

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply

To,

The Collector of Bellary.

546-547

Bd No 2386
To the Collector
Bellary

In Cons 16th July 1857.
2538.

Sir,

I am desired by the Board of Revenue to return your application dated 25th ultimo for a Civil Police Establishment for the Eastern Pollahs lately transferred to your charge from the Military Cantonment of Bellary, and to request that you will forward another at an early date drawn up in the manner directed at

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at the conclusion of Extract Minutes of Consultation No 557, Revenue Department, dated 5th June 1857.

In Cons 19th June 1857.

2. The statement should be prepared in the manner shown in red ink, and the amount of the Abkarry Funds of the Pollahs should also be mentioned in the Column of remarks as suggested by Government.

3. The Gross and Net amount of these Funds in the transferred Pollahs will be given in the Collector's letter as well as particulars of the charges disbursed from them.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St George,
16th July, 1857 ---

(Signed) J. D. Sim,
Acting Secretary

No 132.

To,

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

528

Bd No 2724
From the Collr of
South Arcot

Sir,

I do myself the honor to forward for submission to the Board of Revenue the accompanying copy of a letter, dated 2nd instant, from Captain J. B. Priestly, representing the

the inconvenience to which his Establish-
= ment is exposed by not having Tents
to shelter them, and the Records.

2. I beg to solicit that steps
may be taken to expedite the supply of
Tents sanctioned by Government on
the 11th March 1857, and communicated
with the Board's Proceedings of the
19th Idem.

South Arcot,
Collector's Cutcherry,
Cuddalore,
6th July, 1857.

(Signed) A. Hall,
Collector

A.G.
A.69.

Sir,

As it is more than six months
since the date of the application for tents for
the Survey Department, and as nearly four
months have elapsed since their being furnished,
we ask

was authorized by the Madras
Government, I have the honor
to request you to be so kind
as to have enquiries made
respecting the delay in providing them.

Some rain has already
fallen, and I believe more is expected.

The only shelter at present
for any Office establishment con-
= sists of the inner flies of
three old single poled tents, which are
in so dilapidated a condition that they
cannot, I think, be even again pitched,
the outer flies have disappeared pea-meal.

I have constructed a small
thatched hut, in which to keep records
not in use every day, and a small
store of Stationery and drawing paper,
but a large number of maps and
accounts are necessarily kept in the
Office

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Office tents.

It has frequently been necessary for months at a time to use the private tents of the Officers in the Survey for the public service.

Camp Poleem Cottah
2d July, 1857 ---

(Signed) F. B. Priestly, Capt
Superintendent Revenue Survey

(True Copy)
(Signed) A. Hall,
Collector

Bd No 2896
Order thereon
548-549

Ordered that a copy of Captain Priestly's letter be forwarded to the Commissary General with a request that the 2 Field Officers' and 1 Subalterns tents, sanctioned by Government in Ft St George Minutes of Consultations No 246, 11th March 1857, Revenue Department, may be despatched to Captain Priestly with as much expedition as practicable.

A. B.

Resolved

11611

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Resolved that the following letters be despatched.

550

Bd No 2101
To the Secy to Government
Revenue Departt
Reporting on the Subject of Petition No 1276 of 1857.

Endorsement dated 7th July on Petitions
3135 of 1856
130 / 1232 } - 1858
803 - - 1857.
In 6 vols 23d July 58.

To The Acting Secretary to Government

Sir,

With reference to the Endorsement of Government dated 15th Ultimo on Petition No 1276 of 1857, I am directed to submit the following report.

2 The Collector it appears considered that in Bernard's Tarapady and other standard accounts Rama Woodian and others the opponents of the Petitioners were clearly recognized as Meerassidars, he also states in his letter of 26th August 1856 that Rama Woodian was appointed a Puttah Monigar of the Village by the former Collector, on the understanding that he was a Meerassider he accordingly issued to them the Meerass Puttah.

3 Having thus disposed of the cas according to his own view of the relative claims of the disputants he had no alternative but to refer the aggrieved party to the Civil Court and as the question more properly adjudicable by the Civil Tribunals the Board did not think fit to interfere.

4 The Petitioners plead that the Collector's

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Collectors decision is at variance with the decree passed in South Arcot Suit No 61 of 1839 which they allege, established their Meerassy right in the Villages named.

5 On referring to this decree it will be found that the Original Suit was instituted for recovery of the Meerassy lands and that the Plaintiffs, the parties to whom the Petitioners now abject, were then non-suited on the ground that the question at issue could not be disposed of until the main point in the case, Viz:, the Meerassy right in the Villages had been established, and that this could only be done by bringing a fresh liti-

6 Whatever may be thought of the relative value of the claims as set forth in these decrees, and the Board are disposed to view that of the Petitioners with the more favor- it is clear that the civil courts judgment did not contemplate a final disposal of the Plaintiffs claim and did not pronounce a decision in favor of either party.

7 The Collector therefore was unfettered in his decision by any previous order or decree, but the Board think

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think sufficient ground has hardly yet been shown for his transfer of the Meerassy puttah from Petitioners to their opponents.

8 It appears from the original decree / confirmed in Special Appeal / that a Cowle granted in 1790 recognized the 1st Defendants father / 1st Petitioners grand father / as Meerassidar and that the Defendants continued to be entered as Meerassdars. It also appears from the special Appeal decree that in 1829 the Defendants sued the Woodiars, their adversaries of the present Petitioners, for the value of the produce of certain Manaiem lands, apparently the same as those in issue in 1840, pleading as now, their Meerassy right, and that although no decision was given, in respect to the Meerassy right itself, a portion of the sum sued for was adjudged to them.

9 The Petition No 1276 is herewith returned.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort Saint George, 16 July 1857

/ Signed / L. Forbes,
Actg Sec.

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P.C. No 2297
To the Chief Engineer
Department Public Works

Official Memo.

The Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to request that

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that the Chief Engineer, Department Public Works will be so good as to forward the rain Reports received from the Districts named below for the months specified opposite each-

As these reports are urgently required to complete a Rain Register for submission with the Board's General report now ready, it is requested that they may be forwarded as early as possible.

Ganjam — From April to 31st July 1855
Vizagapatam Do Do "
Rajahmundry Do Do "
Masulipatam Do Do "
Guntoor Do to 30th August "
Nellore Do to 31st July "
Cuddapah Do Do "
Bellary Do Do "and 15th February & March 1856
Kurnool Do to 31st July "
Chingleput Do Do "and March 1856
North Arcot Do Do "
South Arcot Do Do "
Tanjore Do Do "
Trichenopoly Do Do "
Madura Do Do "
Tinnevelly Do Do "
Coymbatore Do Do "
Salem Do to 15th Septr & 1st March 1856
Canara Do to 31st July "
Malabar Do Do "

Madras — From April 1855 to 31st March 1856.

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(Signed) I. D. Sim
Asst Secry.

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Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous Letters and Statements-

552
My No 1509 — From the Collector of Salem: — Return of Fines imposed and Stoppages made from the pay of the Public servants for Quarter ending 30th June 1857.

553
My No 1502 — From the Agent of Ganjam — Return of Public servants suspended or dismissed from employment during the Quarter ending 30th June 1857.

554
My No 1571 — From the Agent Collector of Tanjore — Informing that no revenue Defaulters have been confined in or released from the Jail from 1st April to 30th June 1857.

555
My No 1503 — From the Collector of Chingleput — List of letters addressed to the Board and remaining unanswered up to 30th June 1857.

556
My No 1504 — From the Collector of Chingleput — List of letters from the Board of Revenue up to 30th June 1857.

My No 1508 — From the Collector of Rajahmundry — Abstract of Demand Collection and Balance of current Revenue of the estates under the Court of Wards for

557
May 1857.

558
My No 1506 — From the Collector of Salem — Average Bazar Prices of Grain for June 1857.

559
My No 1507 — From the Collector of Malabar — Average Bazar Prices of Grain for May 1857.

560
My No 1513 — From the Collector of Vizagapatam — Rain Report for May 1857 From

P. No. 2602

From the acting Secretary to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 30th June 1857

570

Issuing instructions for communication to the acting Collector of Canara with regard to the terms on which he should procure from the ryots of his District the supply of Hemp required by the Honorable Court

/See No. 665 in Separate Volume/ Page 783

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P. No. 2423 Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Collector with Copy of the Board's Proceedings

No. 85.

To,

S. D. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue Fort Saint George

572

P. No. 826 From the Collector of North Arcot

Sir,

With reference to the Board's Proceedings of the 21st November last affords the further information therein required on the subject of Petition No. 2486 and 5024 of 1856 from two ryots of Esakapoliem in the entwaid Talook

Transmitted forwarded

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of an Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 21st November last requesting with reference to my letter of the 23d October last some further information on the subject of Petition No. 2486 and 5024 of 1856 from two Ryots of Esakapoliem in the Sutwaid Talook.

2 It has ever been the practice in the Village in question to issue a puttah for as much land as is Cultivated, in the name of the Monigar of the Village, who pays to the Circar the full Assessment of the

land cultivated, receiving from the ryots the Mailwarum and Sawmy bogum in Kind a similar practice obtains in the Village of Paullacooppum in the same Talook, and in no other Village in this District.

3 However objectionable this description of tenure may appear, it has the sanction of long usage, and the ryots, who from time to time take up new land for cultivation are aware of its existence and that the puttahs will not be made out in their names.—

4 In fusly 1264, the petitioners submitted a tender /durkhast/ to the Tahsildar to cultivate some land in the Village. The Tahsildar allowed them to occupy the land, and without consulting the Mottapuddar, or making a reference to me, directed that separate puttahs for the land cultivated by the Petitioners should be made out in their names. This unauthorized infraction of a long established usage having been brought to my notice during the Settlement of the District, I gave orders that the direction of the Tahsildar should be cancelled, and that the extent of land cultivated should as heretofore be included in the Mottapuddah.—

5 The validity of the tenure of yaikabogum Villages, and the effects of such tenures on the prosperity of the people, are referred to in paras 64, 68, 69 and 70 of the letter dated 23d October 1856 addressed to

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to the Board of Revenue by my Predecessor, who seems to have entertained the opinion that such a system produced good effects.

6 Copy and Translation of the Mottaputtah is herewith forwarded agreeably to the Boards desire.

North Arcot
Collectors Cutcherry
Trivettoor
23d February 1857

Signed C. Whittingham
Collector

Enclosure No 1.

Puttah issued by the Honorable Company to Paderla Nagava Reddy and Payra reddy Ryots of Esooca Pollium in the Suttivaid Talok No 64

Particulars of the land which you agreed to cultivate in Fusly 1264 year Amundanama and pay the Circar demand are as follows.

Cultivation of Poonjah one Crop land in July by means of Rain manavary.

			Cawnies	as	b	Rs	as	p
No 22	1st Class	1 Crop Raghy	2	8	12	2	3	8
" 41	1st Do	1 Do Cumboo	"	12	"	"	10	6
" 62	1st Do	1 Do Do	1	2	"	"	15	9
" 68	1st Do	1 Do Do	1	14	"	1	10	4
" 76	1st Do	1 Do Do	1	5	12	1	3	1
" 77	1st Do	1 Do Do	"	8	8	"	7	5
Total Poonjah			8	3	"	7	3	1

Cultivation

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Cultivation of one Crop Nunjah land by Tank Irrigation.

			Cawnies	as	b	Rs	as	p
No 2	1st Class	1 Crop Raghy	2	"	"	18	7	6
" 10	1st Do	1 Do Do	5	8	8	10	14	1
" 16	1st Do	1 Do Cumboo	"	14	8	1	13	1
" 18	2d Do	1 Do Do	2	8	"	21	1	4
" 52	1st Do	1 Do Do Raghy	1	11	8	3	7	4
" 55	1st Do	1 Do Jowa Raghy	1	8	12	14	4	8
" 56	1st Do	1 Do Do	2	"	"	3	15	"
" 57	1st Do	1 Do Do	"	16	"	"	10	11
Total Nunjah 1 Crop			16	13	4	74	9	11
Total Poonjah and Nunjah			25	"	1	81	12	11

Cultivation of Poonjah 1 Crop land in October by the Rains.

			Cawnies	as	b	Rs	as	p
No 8	1st Class	1 Crop Arooga	2	"	"	1	12	"

Nunjah 1st Crop land by Tank Irrigation.

			Cawnies	as	b	Rs	as	p
No 1	1st Class	1 Crop Hur	"	12	12	7	5	8
" 3	2 Do	1 Do Do	"	10	"	4	9	3
" 4	1st Do	1 Do Do	"	1	8	"	9	"
" 5	2d Do	2 Do Do	1	15	"	0	8	6
" 6	1 Do	1 Do Do	"	10	"	6	14	11
" 8	2d Do	2 Do Do	1	"	12	6	7	6
" 9	2d Do	2 Do Do	"	13	"	1	10	2
" 10	2d Do	1 Do Do	1	15	12	14	9	"
" 11	2d Do	2 Do Do	"	3	8	1	5	8
" 12	3d Do	1 Do Do	1	10	4	12	0	6
" "	2d Do	2d Do Do	"	1	8	"	9	2
" 13	3d Do	2 Do Do	"	2	8	"	15	6
" 14	3d Do	1 Do Do	"	8	"	2	7	7
" "	3d Do	2d Do Do	"	8	8	1	15	9
" 15	1st Do	1 Do Do	"	8	"	1	"	2
" 16	3d Do	1 Do Do	"	6	"	1	13	9
" "	3d Do	2d Do Do	"	7	"	1	10	"
" 17	1st Do	1 Do Do	3	15	12	8	"	5
" 21	2d Do	1 Do Do	"	13	"	5	15	4
" 23	3d Do	1 Do Do	"	10	12	1	15	4
" 24	2d Do	1 Do Do	"	7	4	3	5	3
" 26	2d Do	2 Do Do	"	8	12	4	"	4
" 29	1st Do	1 Do Do	"	8	4	4	12	2
" "	1st Do	2 Do Do	1	8	"	12	"	1

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No. 42	4th Class	Ha	Cawnies at 6							
			2		8			1		5
" 43	4th Do	1 Crop Do	"		7		12	"	15	6
" 44	3d Do	1 Do	Do	2	2		8	10	15	11
" 45	1st Do	1 Do	Do	1	2		"	10	6	3
" 47	4th Do	1 Do	Do	1	4		4	2	8	11
" 49	4th Do	1 Do	Do	"	12		4	1	8	9
" 50	1st Do	1 Do	Do	"	15		4	8	3	"
" 53	4th Do	1 Do	Do	"	11		8	1	7	2
" 78	4th Do	1 Do	Do	4	4		"	8	8	1
Total Nunjah				54	12		"	265	13	6

Cultivation of Tolacal land by Tank Irrigation

No. 69	Paghy		Cawnies at 6				At			
			"		"		8	"	6	9
" 70	Do		"		"		12	"	7	10
" 71	Do		"		1		4	"	13	1
" 72	Do		"		"		12	"	9	9
" 73	Do		"		"		12	"	9	"
" 74	Do		"		1		8	1	"	"
" 75	Do		"		"		12	"	8	1
Total Tolacal				"	"		12	"	9	"
				"	6	4	4	5	9	

Cultivation of Poonjah Crop land in February by the rains.

No. 80	4th Class	1 Crop	Paysalee	Cawnies at 6			Rs at 0			
				4	4	"	3	8	"	
" 80	4th Do	1 Do	Pasoopee	6	8	"	5	11	"	
Total Poonjah				10	8	"	9	3	"	

Cultivation of Nunjah 1 Crop land by Tank Irrigation

No. 5	4th Class	1 Crop	Paysalee	Cawnies at 6			Rs at 0			
				4	3	4	1	7	5	
Total Poonjah and Nunjah				14	11	4	17	10	5	

Cultivation of Nunjah land in March irrigation by private Well.—

No. 55	1st Class	1 Crop	Nabe	Cawnies at 6			Rs at 0			
				"	4	"				
" 56	4th Do	1 Do	Do	"	8	"				
Total Nunjah				"	12	"				
Total Poonjah				20	11	"	18	2	1	
Nunjah				58	15	4	27	4	11	
Tolacal				"	6	4	4	5	9	
Total				80	"	8	296	12	9	

Bogajasty

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Bogajasty as per Statement No. 20	Rs	As	P
	1	2	4
Total including Bogajasty	297	15	1
Mullacummy remission as per Statement No. 16	15	7	8
Remaining	282	7	5
As per Statement No. 18	2	13	3
Total	285	4	8

Ain Rupees 266 - 4 - 9

Reddy marah 3 - 15 - 11

Curanum Do 15 - " - "

Total marah 18 - 15 - 11

Total	285	4	8

You are to pay this sum of Rupees Two hundred and Eighty five annas four an Pice Eight according to mamool Kistbundy thro the Circar Monigar and obtain his receipt on the stamped cowgar and obtain his receipt on the stamped cowgar and obtain his receipt on the stamped cowg

Enclosure No. 2 in Telegoo
No. 82

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

573

B. No. 925
From the Collector of North Arcot

Sir,

I have the honor to forward a Petition No. 3024 of 1856 which is one of the two petitions referred to in my letter of the 23d Ultimo No. 36 and which was not forwarded with that letter by the neglect of my Office.—

North Arcot Collectors Circuit Cutcherry
Mundawash
7th March 1857.

Signed C. Whittingham
Collector

B. No. 2422
Proceedings thereon

572-574
Vide from N. Arcot 7th March—
Letters 17th July 1857—925.

As the rights of several individuals are concerned in the decision that may be passed on the subject of the foregoing letter, the Board would wish further enquiry to be made as to the exact relative position of the Puttahdar, when and under what circumstances the practice of giving him a general Puttah for the whole Village originated, and particularly when Swamy Bhogum was first paid The enquiry should embrace Paullacoopum the only other Village in which a similar argument is stated to obtain.—

2 If these Villages are really Yaikabogum whether

whether as so constituted originally or as having become so subsequently with the consent of the other Ryots of the Village, the Board are of opinion that it would be unjust to disturb that tenure but they wish the point to be cleared up by a full enquiry.—

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M. B. No. 821
From the Collector of South Arcot.

Read again List from the Collector of South Arcot dated 11th and Entered in Miscellaneous Consultation 20th April 1857 of letters received from the Board of Revenue and remaining unanswered up to the 31st March last.—

575. 576
B. No. 2444
Proceedings thereon

With reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 21st January 1857. the Circular dated 9th February 1857 No. 166 should not have appeared as an arrear in the above list.—

Read the following Papers

No. 81

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

577

B. No. 2354
From the Collector of Salem.

Sir,

With reference to the Board's letter of the 12th Instant No. 2025. calling for the annual Report on the Local Funds of my District, which ought to have been submitted within one month after the close of the Official year, and requesting me to despatch it as early as possible, I have the honor to state that the Report is delayed because I have not yet received

1026 Fort Saint George 17th July 1857

Received from the District Engineer the certified accounts of the expenditure which he is required to furnish under rule VI of the Rules for the management of the Local Funds.—

2 As soon as I have received these accounts, which I have applied for more than once, it will be in my power to submit the reports, and as further time will be lost in doing so.—

Salem Collector's Office
Salem 15th June 1857 } (Signed) H. A. Brett
Collector

Order thereon
(577-578)

Ordered to be recorded

To
No. 98
I. D. Sim Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George

(579)
Bd. No. 2490
From the Acting Collector of Malabar }

Sirs,

The several Statements and accounts which were only furnished to the Board annually having under the present system of audit to be prepared and submitted every month to the Civil Auditor involving thereby additional labour which can be ill performed by my Establishment I have the honor to request your instructions whether the annual Statement of charges incurred under, with, and without estimate in the Revenue Magisterial and Forest Departments alluded to may not under the present arrangement be dispensed with.—

Calicut
19th June 1857 } (Signed) W. Robinson
Acting Collector
Bd. No. 2405
Proceedings thereon
(579-580)

The Collector is informed that under the new system of monthly audit the accounts alluded to in the foregoing letter need not be transmitted to this Office hereafter.—

To

1027 Fort St. George 17th July 1857.

No. 173.

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

(581)
Bd. No. 2484
From the Collector of Chingleput. }

Sir,

I have the honor to request transmit duly amended, the accompanying Statement of Lands occupied by the Eastern Coast Canal returned with your letter No. 2037 of the 13th Instant.—

Chingleput District
Collector's Cutcherry.
Sydapet, 24th June 1857 } (Signed) B. J. Shubrick
Collector.

Statement

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Statement Shewing the Lands included in the Eastern Coast Canal and those proposed to be given in exchange for them in the Zillah of Chingleput.—

No. 1.

	Description of Lands included in the E. C. Canal			Description of Lands to be given in exchange		
		Extent			Lands Nos.	
Nadoocuntavetta Venoygoondu	35 D°	" 4 12	1 64	215 D°	" 2 12	132
				30 D°	" 1 14	92
					" 4 10	1 64
Audoocasavapermau Do	16 D°	" 44	1 142	270 D°	" 42	1 38
Jadathory Do	277 D°	" 68	1 15	264 D°	" 24	" 106
				216 D°	" 3 10	1 14
	278 D°	" 66	1 142	269 D°	" 2 14	" 132
				279 Do	" 42	1 37
		" 12 14	3 132		" 12 14	3 132
Boundary Do	40 D°	" 4 12	1 64	264 D°	" 4 12	1 64
	41 D°	" 4 12	1 64	77 Do	" 44	1 47
				270 D°	" " 8	" 19
		" 9 8	2 128		" 9 8	2 128
		" 5	" 1 16		" 4 12	1 " 8

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Malamalagalegemmah	305	1st	"	44	1	13	9	307	1st	"	44	1	13 9
Village Munneyarm	299	Do	"	144	5	11	"	310	2d	"	10	10	3 3 2
								311	Do	"	44	1	5 "
										"	144	4	8 2
Totals			6	122	9	5	6			6	6	2	8 2 2

Domercy and Myore.

Soobbama Parasoorama Moodelly	151	Do	"	64	1	5	10	213	"	"	3	12	" 132
								218	"	"	28	-	8 8
										"	64	1	5 10
Sabapatty Moodelly	144	"	"	1	12	"	6	174	"	"	2	14	" 131
	146	"	"	1	14	"	6	155	"	"	"	12	" 27
			"	3	10	"	12	8		"	3	10	" 12 8
Terroovengada Pillay	188	"	"	40	"	15	4						
	144	"	"	"	6	"	14	141	"	"	412	1	" 8
			"	412	1	"	8						
M. Parasoorama Moodelly and Chinnia Moodely's Enam	152	"	"	5	12	1	1	11	216	"	"	"	6 " 13
								217	"	"	26	"	8 4
								179	"	"	26	"	8 4
										"	52	1	1 11
Sabapathee Soobbroya Moodelly	146	"	"	12	"	3	11	159	"	"	12	"	3 11
Soondra Moodely	150	"	"	3	"	10	6	183	"	"	3	"	" 10 6
Vadachella Moodely	145	"	"	24	"	7	10						
	142	"	"	16	"	4	10	173	"	"	34	"	11 5
	143	"	"	16	"	4	10	177	"	"	18	"	5 3
			"	5	"	1	16			"	412	1	" 8

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Bd. No. 2424.

Proceedings thereon.

(581-582)

Inl. 21st February 1857

The Collector requests authority for granting Cawnies 8-10 as cs 12 assessed at Rupees 37-6-7 to certain Enamdars in the Villages of Comery, Mystore, Mysore and Sadras in the Chingleput Talook of his District in exchange for Cawnies 8-12 as cs 10 assessed at Rupees 38-12-10 which have been taken up by the Eastern Coast canal.

2. The Board recommend that he be allowed to carry out the proposed exchanges as detailed in the Tabular Statement accompanying his letter.

No. 177.

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

583

Bd. No. 2481.

From the Collector of Chingleput..... Sir,

I have the honor to inform the Board, with reference to Extract from their Proceedings No. 2163 of the 24th Instant, that they have rightly conjectured that crime has diminished in the District. I did not previously know that it was necessary for me to

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Veradauny Naidoo	1435	"	24	"	7	10	0
Tavanumudi	150	"	38	"	12	3	14
Mootoodauny Moodelly	1411	"	6	"	14	14	188
Vaydheree Pillay	132	"	10	"	15	2	9
Total			2446		102	2	214

Sadras

Govindy Moodelly	1	"	3	"	10	1	108
Paul Thevar Mooneb	2	"	24	"	11		
Eswaran Eamanan	3	"	24	"	10		
			78		103		
Grand Total	8	12	37		07		

Chingleput District
Collector's Cutcherry
Conjeveram, 31st January 1857.

(Signed) G. J. Hubbuck
Collector

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to acquaint them with it.

Chingleput District,
Collector's Cutcherry,
Sydapet, 25th June 1857.

(Signed) C. J. Shubrick,
Collector.

Order thereon.—

583 584

Ordered to be recorded.

No. 197.

To,

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

585

Bd No. 2494.

From the Collector of Sea Customs Madras

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extract Proceedings of Board of Revenue dated 23d Instant No. 2142 and to state I do not recollect any instance of goods being exported from or exported direct to Muskat. The Trade with Madras is carried on circuitously either through Bombay or the Malabar coast.—

With reference to the question regarding the grant of Drawback on goods re-exported from Muskat, I am not aware of any grounds which would warrant it being withheld as the goods pay duty on importation, and Muskat

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Muskat cannot be considered the "continent of India"

Sea Custom House
Madras, ———
25th June 1857...

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

Bd No. 2412.

Proceedings thereon.— Communicated to the acting Collector of Malabar with reference to his letter dated 10th June 1857. No. 94.—

585 586

The Board concur in Mr Underwood's view of the case.—

No. 85.

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

587

Bd No. 2814.

From the Collector of Rajahmundry

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25 May last calling for information as to the existing practice in regard to the provision of supplies for troops and travellers—

2. Owing to the limitted number of troops

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troops in the Northern Division and to the facilities afforded for transport by Sea, but few Regiments have passed through this District within the last few years, though Detachments from the Regiment stationed at Samulcotta are frequently moving backwards and forwards At the larger towns on the line of road it is not generally found necessary to do much more than give notice that troops are expected on such a day and the supplies required are, without any great amount of interference, forthcoming-At the smaller Stages advances are, especially if a whole Regiment is expected, obliged to be made which are recovered on the sale of the articles-

Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 4th March 1857.-

I am unable to say that evils do not still attend the present system of providing supplies, but I have reason to believe they have of late years been much mitigated and the extent to which interference is exercised is much diminished.-

3. Except at a few of the smaller

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smaller halting places, I believe that both troops and travellers would be able to procure all ordinary supplies without the intervention of the Civil authorities. At first no doubt some little inconvenience would be felt, but I think all difficulty would soon be removed, indeed, if I mistake not, supplies would be more readily procurable than at present, as soon as the dealers fully comprehended that no interference on the part of the Bungalow peon, or other petty Official, would be allowed.-

4. Requisitions for carriage for troops are not of frequent occurrence in the District. When carriage is provided the rates are perhaps a trifle higher than would be paid by private parties, but no allowance for detention or return hire is made- Batta from the day the carts are taken possession of by the Talook Officers, to the day on which they start on their journey, should in my opinion always be paid.-

Rajahmundry District, Collectors Office
Cocanada, 9th July 1857.....

Signed, A. Parvis
Coll.

Order thereon.-

Ordered to lie over.

(587-588)

11638 Fort St. George 17th July 1857.

No. 173.

To,

I. D. Sim, Esqre.

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue,

Fort St. George.

589

Bd. No. 2751.

From the Collector of North arcot

Sir,

I have the honor, with reference to my letter of yesterday's date No. 171. to state that the orders of the Board on the subject of the new lease of the Abkarry farm of this District were this day received by me

North Arcot, ...
Collector's Cutcherry. ....
Chittoor, ...
17th July 1857. ....

/Signed/ C. Whittingham
Collector

Order thereon. Ordered to be recorded

589-590

Resolved that the following Statement be despatched.

Statement

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11637 Fort St. George 17th July 1857.

Bd. No. 2420.

Statement showing the state of the season in the undermentioned Districts for the Month of June 1857.

Districts and Dates.	Rain fall	State of the crops and the cultivation thereof	Prices whether high or low, rising or falling &c.	Sanitary remarks
South Arcot dated 2nd July 1857	Skrimmed more or less on every part of the District the heaviest fall was in the Southern Talooks. There were freshes in all the rivers and a considerable number of tanks received a supply of water. The information required by Government regarding the exact quantity of rain falling on fixed localities has not as yet been obtained.	Wigh last more or less on every part of the District the heaviest fall was in the Southern Talooks. There were freshes in all the rivers and a considerable number of tanks received a supply of water. The information required by Government regarding the exact quantity of rain falling on fixed localities has not as yet been obtained.	Wigh last most averages much from the last month. The demand for Cotton was kept up by very active exportation of that grain by Sea-Sandigo and oils are priced high, but have had no purchasers.	There has been sufficient rain for the time, but more are to be shortly required to bring on the Ploughing which has commenced since the rains and is now in many places. The information required by Government regarding the exact quantity of rain falling on fixed localities has not as yet been obtained.
North Arcot Dated 6th ins.	There was an average fall on the 4 days of 2 3/4 ins.	Of the crops already sown Mamoondy is fair, being however a little backward. The average rate at which Paddy		
7th July 1857. No. 1388.	District. do.			

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District and date.	Rain fall	State of the crops and the cultivation operations.	Prices whether high or low rising falling &c.	Further remarks.
	the heaviest fall was 6 ins. in the Chengalpaty and the slightest 1½ inches in the Pandivash Taluk. The tanks provided with supplying channels have received from 15 to 30 days' supply of water	In dry lands Cumboo, Cholum, Gungelly, Nargoo have been sown and Nath Raggy has been planted where irrigation by wells was practicable. In the wet lands Nath Raggy and annay car have been cultivated. Indigo, sugar Cane, and Cotton have been cultivated to a very limited extent.	Paddy and Rice sold in May and June are as follows. Paddy 38½ 39 } Madras measures per rupee Rice 17⅛ 9⅜ }	
Madura dated 3d in Cons. 7th July 1857. No. 1386.	There was a fall of one inch on the high lands and no rain in the Valleys no report from the coast reached the Collector. The rain generally was deficient throughout the District.	The late crops of the past fusly are being reaped. The early crops of the present fusly are being cultivated in places where water is available.	High and Stationary.	
Guntoor dated 2d Inl Cons. 7th July 1857 No. 1387	The falls in various parts of the District were as under. In Tenths Paluad 2–7 West 7–6 Central 6–1 East 1–„ Coast 7–6 making an average fall of 5 inches.	The early dry crop is being cultivated briskly and lands are under preparation for the wet crop.	Paddy, horse-gram, wheat, and some other gram have risen variously, from 3 to 14% above last month. Jonna has fallen 15%. Exportations by 5 Vessels and importations from 3 took place during the month	Cholera has appeared in one taluk. forage and water for cattle are abundant.
	The tanks have generally received supplies of water and the Kistna in ordinary freshes.			
Masulipatam dated 3d in Cons. 8th July 1857 No. 1399	There were heavy falls amounting to 9–7 in Sunder.	Preparations for the cultivation of the early crops are being made.	With the exception of Jonna and Horse Gram, which are stationary in prices, the other articles have risen a trifle. the rise is owing to the rains which prevent communication with the District and induce the merchants, in the absence of fresh importations into the market, to raise their prices at pleasure.	
	Reports from other selected localities in the District have not reached.			

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District and date			
Coimbatore dated 4th inst. Qrs 4 July 1857 No. 1413	Rain fall	State of the crops &c operations	Further re. marks
	Slight reports of rain in some parts of the District	Crops on these lands are looking well	Prices whether high & on the rise or falling &c
	Dry		
	formerly with the exception of a few showers in some places	Rising above	Trade is prospering as usual.
	recent instances	Garden lands. The	
	of Government	where there is water	
	will be forwarded	is none. Some of the	
	set in future.	cultivated for want	
		The cultivation in	
		where the lands are	
		July of water when	
		ever is being commenced, but not so	
		been done yet. Sparingly. All seed crops are fair as some	
		are in need of rain. Sand years dry as some crops have	
		is being undertakings of the Cane are being planted	

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
17th July 1857

(Signed) S. Forbes,
Acting Sub. Secretary.

Sd.

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The Board proceed to take into consideration the Statements noted below and to record their remarks thereon.

592 Bd. No. 4162 From the Acting Collector of Nellore. Statement of actual charges incurred under estimate in the Revenue Department of his District for Fusly 1265.

593 Bd. No. 4163. From the Acting Collector of Nellore. Statement of actual charges incurred under estimate in the Revenue Department of his District for Fusly 1265.

594 Bd. No. 4164 From the Acting Collector of Nellore. Statement of actual charges incurred without estimate in the Revenue Department of his District for Fusly 1265.

595 Bd. No. 4165. From the Acting Collector of Nellore. Statement of actual charges incurred under estimate in the Magisterial Department of his District for Fusly 1265.

596 Bd. No. 4166. From the Acting Collector of Nellore. Statement of actual charges incurred without estimate in the Magisterial department of his District for Fusly 1265.

Order

Fort St. George, 17th July 1857.

Order on the 5 abovementioned Statements. Ordered that the necessary remarks of the Board be inserted in the proper Column of the abovementioned Statements and submitted for the Sanction of Government.

592-597

Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous letters and statements.

598

Mr. Asstt. No. 1521.
From the Acting Collector of Malabar. Estimate of charges on account of additional establishment in Fusly 1267.

599

Mr. No. 1522.
From the Collector of Rajahmundry. Return of Fines imposed and stoppages made from the pay of the public servants for the Quarter ending 30 June 1857.

600

Mr. No. 1518.
From the Collector of Madura. List of letters addressed to the Board and remaining unanswered up to 30th June 1857.

601

Mr. No. 1519
From the Collector of Madura. List of letters received from the Board and remaining unanswered up to 30th June 1857.

602

Mr. No. 1527.
From the Collector of Canara. Reports the Return of Revenue defaulters confined and released is blank

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blank for last Quarter 30th June 1857.

603

Mr. No. 1528.
From the Acting Collector of Ganjam... Diary for the Month of June 1857.

604

Mr. No. 1529
From the Collector of Vizagapatam. Account current of Salt for June 1857.

605

Mr. No. 1530.
From the Collector of Madras. Account current of Salt for June 1857.

606

Mr. No. 1521.
From the Collector of Rajahmundry. Rain Report for June 1857.

607

Mr. No. 1520
From the Collector of Masulipatam. Reporting that no import or export of Gold and Silver Bullion and Specie has taken place during the Month of June

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608 June 1857.

Mg. No. 1523

From the Acting Collector of Nellore } Register of Petitions for June 1857.

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Mg. No. 1524

From the Acting Collector of Madura } Register of petitions for June 1857.

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Mg. No. 1526

From the Collector of Tinnevelly } Informing that no person was charged under Regulation IX of 1822 during last month.

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Mg. No. 1525

From the Collector of Tinnevelly } Informing that no person was in confinement during the last month under Regulation IX of 1822.

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue,

Saturday, the 18th July 1857.

Read the following papers.

612

Bd. No. 2388

From the Actg Chief Secy to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Financial Railway Department under date the 15th June 1857.

Sanctioning the compensation paid for lands &c taken up by the Madras Railway in the Chingleput District during the 1st quarter of 1857 amounting to Rs 7888-5-9. } See No. 310 in Separate Volume Page 784

612-613

Bd. No. 2429

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

Bd. No. 2626

From the Actg Secy to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 2d July 1857.

614

Sanctioning the estimate of extra charges proposed to be incurred in Fasly 1267 in the Districts of Rajahmundry, Kurnool, South Arcot and Orissa Agency, amounting to Rs 2703. } See No. 571 in Separate Volume Page 785

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614-615

B.P. No. 2443

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Order thereon Ordered to be communicated to the several Collectors and the Agent Hill Tracts of Orissa with copy of Board's remarks dated 23d June 1857 No. 2144.

616

B.P. No. 2690

From the Asst Secy to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 6th July 1857.

Sanctioning the actual charges incurred in the Coimbatore District during Fasly 1265 amounting to Rupees 19912-8-8 with remarks as regards the charges on account of Survey apprentices and an almanac.

See No. 580 in Separate Volume Page 786

B.P. No. 2644

Order thereon Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of Coimbatore with a copy of Board's remarks, dated 18th June 1857 No. 2085 and 2086.

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2 The Collector's attention is called to the observations of Government in Para 3.

To

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No. 82

To

R. I. D. Sim, Esqre

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

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After B.P. No. 1577

From the Collr of South Arcot } Sir,

In returning the accompanying Petition No. 14 of 1857, presented to the Board of Revenue by Muddoovaraya Chetty and others of Trecalore requesting permission to be allowed to enjoy certain land, amounting to 40 Cawnies, according to the tenor of the Nabob's Purwanah and permanent Ejara granted by Mr. Hyde, I have the honor to state that the land in question is that alluded to in my letter to the Board dated 23d December 1856 disposed of by the Board by Extract from their Proceedings under date 8th January last No. 82.

No further orders are required.

South Arcot, Collector's Cutcherry, Cuddalore, 30th April 1857. } (Signed) A. Hall. Collector.

Ordered

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Ordered that the following Endorsement be passed upon the above Petition.-

Bd. N. 2448
Proceedings thereon
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Petitioner is informed that the imposition of additional assessment was in accordance with the orders of the Board.

2. The 3 documents produced by him in support of his claim to enjoy this land on an easy rent of Rupees 52-8- confer no right to a continuance of that indulgence - the principal one Viz. the Cowlenamah granted in Fasly 1198, by the Nabob of the Carnatic, expressly limiting the duration of enjoyment on those terms to 5 years.

3. The Board observe that while the full Teerwah, according to the rates hitherto in force, is Rupees 199-2-11- the land has been charged with a modified assessment of Rupees 161-4-3.-

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N. 89

To, J. D. Sim, Esqre
Ag Secretary to the Bd of Revenue

620
Bd No. 2338
From the Civil Auditor
Contingent Dept.

Sir,

In returning passed for payment the accompanying bill for Rupees 94-1-1 for contingent

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contingent charges incurred in your office for May 1857, I have the honor to inform you that I have struck out from it Rupees 35, the charge for an 8-day American Lever Time piece, which not being of the nature of the ordinary and usual contingent charges which I am authorized to pass, I would beg to suggest your submitting the charge for the sanction of Government.

Civil Auditor's Office
Fort St. George,
15th June 1857.

(Signed) F. Lushington,
Civil Auditor.

Enclosure 1 Bill

Ordered that the following letter be addressed.

To, The Ag Secretary to
Government,
Revenue Department.

620-621
Bd No. 2423
To the Ag Secy to Government

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that the sanction of Government may be granted for the purchase of a clock for the use of their Office at a cost of Rupees (35) Thirty five.

The want of a clock has caused

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much

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much inconvenience and they have ventured in anticipation for the sanction of Government to procure one at the price above named.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
18th July 1857.

(Signed) I. D. Sim,
Acting Secretary

No. 86.

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

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Bd No. 2435
From the Ag Collr of Nellore

From Collr to Board 25th March 1856 Para 16
Extract Minutes Consultation 11th February 1857 Para 8
From Collr to Board 25th March 1857 Para 2
From Bd to Collr 25th April 1857

Sir,

I am directed to the correspondence noted in the margin, relative to the copying for the use of this Office, of that portion of the General Index kept in the Board's Office which relates to this District, I have the honor to request you will be so good as to issue the necessary instructions for the entertainment of a competent writer on a salary of 21 Rupees per month and for the work being proceeded with from the 1st Proximo.

2 The salary of the writer will be forwarded to you monthly in Accountant General's Bills.

Nellore, Collr's Office,
18th June 1857.

(Signed) G. N. Taylor,
Ag Collector.

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Bd No. 2432
Proceedings thereon

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The Acting Collector is informed that arrangements have been made for the transcription of that portion of the abstract Index of the Board's Office which relates to Nellore. The work commenced from the 10th instant. The Index for 1856 being first copied.

The Stationery will be supplied from this Office.

No. 98.

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

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Bd No. 2525
From the Collr of Coimbatore

Sir,

With reference to the Acting Secretary's letter of the 10th instant No. 1964, I have the honor to forward a Memo. containing the information therein called for, to be appended to my account Particulars No. 2 of Batta paid to the Huzoor Cutchery servants while on Circuit in Fasly 1265.

(Signed) E. B. Thomas,
Collector.

Coimbatore, Collr's Office,
Ootacamund, 23d June 1857.

Encl 1

Memorandum to be appended to the account Particulars No. 2 of Batta paid to the Huzoor Cutchery servants of the Coimbatore Collectorate while on Circuit in Fasly 1265.

I do hereby certify that no Batta was paid

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paid to Public servants while residing at the Buzoor Station whether on Samabundy duties or otherwise employed..

Coimbatore, Coll'rs Office, 23d June 1857. } (Signed) E. B. Thomas, Collector.

624-625 Order thereon — Ordered to be recorded, the Memo alluded to having been appended to Ms. P.C. No 2.

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

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B. No 2669 From the Collr of Cuddapah } Sir,

I have the honor to transmit a Bill of exchange No 25 on the Accountant General in your favor for Company's Rupees (15-9-0) Fifteen and annas nine, being the value of 6 lbs of black printing Ink forwarded with your letter of the 10th March last..

Caddapah, Coll'rs Office On Circuit at Muddenpully 1st July 1857 } (Signed) A. Murray, Collector.

Encl 1 Bill

Order thereon — Ordered to be recorded.

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To

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

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B. No 2818. Sir

From the Acting Collector of Canara } With reference to the correspondence noted in the Margin, I have the honor to submit the following remarks on the expenditure of the Local Funds of this District during the Official year ending 30th April last.

From Board of Revenue 12 June 1857 and To Coll 4 July Salem

Account Current marked A and Statements C & D called for in C.O. dated 15th September 1856. marked B.

2. The particulars of outlay are given in detail in the tabular Statement herewith enclosed.

3 A Statement of operations proposed to be carried out during the ensuing working season is, as required by rule IV likewise submitted.

4 The Local Fund of Canara is defined in Rule I, for the management of the same and is composed of the proceeds of the Ferry farms and Cart tax.

5 The proceeds realized from these two sources were, under certain rules and restrictions, made available for local improvements by

by Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 9th January and 14th June 1855.—

6 The particulars of outlay incurred in the maintenance of ferries—payments of charges for toll houses, and Establishment, along the Dharwar and Coompta lines via Yellapoor and Sirsy /items 8 9 10 11 23 & 25/ explain themselves, and do not call for comment—Of the remaining items, I shall take such as require explanation in the order in which they stand in the account Current.—

7 My predecessor has given in paras 5 and 7 of his last report the history of the origin and purpose of the Oolaul road—since that was written, little progress is reported, and I find by the accounts that for the 1 Mile, 5 furlongs and 208 yards since worked out by the Engineer's Department, an outlay of Rupees 1601—13 has been incurred.—

8 I have not myself had an opportunity of inspecting this piece of road, but presume from the cost that some heavy revetment work has been found necessary—I have however called the District Engineer's

Engineer's earnest attention to the costliness of recent operations on this, and other portions of the coast line, and trust that when these are resumed, greater economy and despatch may be apparent in the result of the ensuing season.—

9 Of the utility of this road, as facilitating the inter communication between this and other thriving towns in the South, there can be small question.—

10 When speaking of this portion of the coast, it may not be out of place to call the attention of Government to the exceeding desirableness of continuing the canal communication now open between Billeapatam /near Cannanore/ and Hosdroog, northwards to the Mangalore river.—

11 Having seen little of the Southern division of Canara, I am unable to state all the pros and Cons of the question, but believe I do not speak unadvisedly, when I allege that the undertaking is most feasible, and the advantages to be secured, such as abundantly warrant the expenditure.—

The

12. The value of such a work is particularly apparent at this moment, when in consequence of the unusually early Monsoon, Malabar has been cut off from the rice-stores of Canara, and the Collector writes in dread of prices reaching famine rates. But to return to the more immediate object of the present report.—

13 The next items of Rupees 76-15 is for the widening a portion of the Coombla and Cassergode road near the old fort of the former place, for which an advance of Rupees 50-- was made in the previous year. Thus at the small outlay of Rupees 126-15-, has a better communication between the cashab station of the Tahsildar and Moonsiff and Coombla, itself a thriving place been effected.—

14 The Soolgherry Bridge at Bhuttkul mentioned in para 10 of Mr. Fisher's last report as not quite finished, has been completed during the year under review at a further outlay of Rupees 495-14- making the total expenditure Rupees 2501-10-8 With this bridge, and the new approaches North and South, this thriving, but hitherto almost inaccessible town, may now be said to enjoy every facility it could desire.—

15 A small branch road from the main line to the Travellers bungalow at Oodapy has

has been made at a cost of Rupees 22-- -- --

16 Nothing has, I regret to say, been done during the year under report towards laying out and constructing the Kattegaul Quay and wharf so fully discussed in Mr. Fisher's last report, beyond the collection by the Engineers Department of materials at an outlay of Rupees 249-15-

17 The new approach to the land taken up for the above purpose, has however made some small progress and 1 furlong and 56 yards have been constructed at a cost of Rupees 799-3-11. This is a heavy charge but the road has been carried across some very low lying paddy land, and a high embankement with costly revetment has become necessary. The latter portion of this approach however should be easy and comparatively inexpensive.—

18 The construction of Quays and Wharves at Kattegaul and Suddry is in my opinion, the most important of all the minor works in North Canara, and the trade at both places is such as deserve all that skill and money can effect towards providing for its convenience and comfort.

19 From what I gather, these words are not unlikely to be still in abeyance for another season owing to the paucity of Executive Officers such

such a prospect is greatly to be deplored, but in the meantime Rupees 5000— have been set apart in Statement B for these works, and I am in hopes that means may yet be found of commencing operations at both places during the ensuing working season—

20 The above are the only new works except some trifling outlay on the Cassergode Sea Customs & House road, Jubbencody and Cotegoodday road, and temporary bridge at Kuttpandy— which have been in activity during the year under review; the remaining items are for repairs of roads &c.

21 The Board will perceive that the largest outlay in the shape of monsoon repairs has been incurred on the Byendoor and Moordeshwer, and Munkyhyle and Coompta roads, the former 18 miles in length, and one of the remodelled portions of the great coast line— the latter the piece of road 17 miles long which leads from the foot of the Nelcoond Ghaut to the town of Coompta, and which only waits for bridges to be in every respect a first class line—

22 Two other items of Rupees 19—8—. and Rupees 127—1—8 for the Sekkeet and Gungoly and Byendoor roads respectively concern likewise separate portions of the great coast line North of Mangalore—

23 Rupees 29—8—4 have been expended on monsoon

monsoon repairs on the Dolarel road, likewise a portion of the coast line south of Mangalore—

24 The other small items are for repairs of various lines of road and do not call for remark.—

25 Items 1st and 2d in Statement B are for general repairs and the prosecution of operations on different portions of the great Coast line—

26 The work to which item 2 refers is particularly important, as by it the coast road will take a more inland and direct course, and there will be thus opened up a long stage, which at present is little better than a scramble among sand and rocks—

27 The improvements contemplated under item 3 are also most important, and I shall be much gratified, if, at the close of the working season, it can be shown that our funds have been employed in so useful a manner—

Collectors Cutcherry
Mangalore
9th July 1857—

Signed J. D. Robinson
Acting Collector

Account

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Dr. Account Current of the Local Fund of

18th July 1857.

the Canara District ending 30th April 1857 ——— Cr.

		Rs	As	Ps	Rs	As	Ps
To Balance on the 30th April 1856					1856	8	5
Ferry Fund							
Receipts							
Fasly 1265							
To amount of rent for Fasly 1265	8966	10					
Deduct							
Amount collected upto 30th April 1856	5612	13	7				
Ditto Amount to be hereafter collected	3	9	3				
	5616	6	10				
	3350	3	2				
To amount of temporary ferries Fasly 1266	111	8					
	3461	11	2				
Amount of rent for Fasly 1268	9978	2					
Outstanding balance on the 30th April 1857	2708	13	6				
	6869	4	6				
Recovery of Interest on arrears of rent							
Commission for sale of property for arrears of rent					4	8	9
Sale proceeds of unserviceable Boats					183	7	2
					18375	8	
Carried Over					18375	8	

Ferry Fund.

By Amount of expenses incurred in the opening and improvement of Roads &c. Viz.

1	Cost of opening a road to Coomble on the Coast line by Polal. Pochil and Mangalpaddy	1601	13		
2	Altering and improving the Coast road near the fort at Coomble	76	15		
3	Ditto road on the South side of the Travellers Bungalow at Oodipy	22			
4	Ditto road near the Sea Customs House at Caspergode		82		
5	Erection of a temporary bridge at Cut-sandy on the Oodipy and Mangalore road	1	10		
6	Construction of Soolguerry bridge &c. at Butkul on the coast road between Cundapoor and Honore	495	14		
7	Repairs to the road at Jubincode and Cotegoor	2	8	1	
8	Purchase of Boats	438	12		
	Trimming of Ditto	312	11	3	
	Conveyance of Ditto	91	9	9	
	Shed for Boats	20	4	10	863 5 10
9	Annual repairs of Ferry Boats and Jungars &c.	204	4	9	
	Carried Over	3268	14	10	

Toll

Fort St. George

	Brought over		18375 8 .
	Toll Fund		
	Fusly 1266		
	To amount of Tolls collected on undersized Carts during Fusly 1266.		
	Toll bar at Sircy	221 10 .	
	at Yellapoor	447 8 .	
	at Moondgode	2659 . .	
			3328 2 .
	Amount collected and refunded from the advance made in last Fusly for procuring 40 boats		58 11 .
	Ditto Ditto from the advance made in last Fusly for the construction of a Quay at Suddry		28 15 6
			3415 12 6

Company's Rupees 21791 4 6

Canara Collector's Cutcherry Mangalore 9th July 1857.

	Brought over		3268 14 8
10	Annual repairs of sheds over Jungars and ferry boats	43 13 11	
11	Rent of shed and hauling up Jungar	3 . .	
12	Repairs of road leading to the Travellers Bungalow at Codipy	10 13 10	
13	Ditto of Shivullybyle road, in the Talook of Codipy	9 12 8	
14	Ditto of Colaul road	29 8 4	
15	Ditto of Tokkot and Gungoly road	19 8 .	
16	Ditto of Gungoly and Byendoor road	127 1 8	
17	Ditto of Byendoor and Moordeshwer road	327 13 7	
18	Ditto of Munkybyle and Coonta road	318 10 3	
19	Ditto of Munjagoony road	21 1 4	
20	Ditto of near Cundapoor ferry	19 8 4	
21	Ditto of revetment near Travellers Bungalow at Cundapoor	3 8 8	
22	Advance made to Tahsildars for repairs of Jungars and boats to be adjusted hereafter	276 3 4	
			4479 6 9
	Toll Fund		
23	By Establishment maintained for the levy of the toll	832 9 5	
24	By Contingent Charges	18 1 10	
25	By Monsoon repairs of toll houses	8 1 1	
26	By repairs and improvement to the Quay at Cuttegaul	249 1 5	
27	Ditto Ditto to the road at Cuttegaul	799 3 11	
28	Cost of Printing Passports	6 13 .	
			6393 5 5
	By Balance on the 30th April 1857		15397 15 1
	Company's Rupees		21791 4 6

[Signed] J. D. Robinson
Ag. Collector

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B

Local Funds

Statement showing the operations proposed to be carried out in the District of Canara during the working season of 1857/58.

Number	Name of Works	Proposed outlay	Remarks
1	Coast roads north and South of Mangalore, viz: the Sheddiya and Colaub roads	3000	These works were in progress during the past year.
2	Continuation of road from Cotegoodday to South bank of Honore river (12 Miles)	2500	
3	Repairs and Improvement of Road between Honore and Compta (11 Miles) Honore and Kuttegaul (18 Miles) and Honore and Santgal (8 Miles)	1,750	
4	Suddry and Kuttegaul Quay	5,000	
5	Contingencies	1,400	
	Total Company's Rupees	13,650	

Canara Collector's Cutcherry
Mangalore
9th July 1857.

(Signed) J. D. Robinson
Acting Collector.

Abstract

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D

Statement shewing the particulars of the expenditure from Local Funds in the District of Canara for the year 1856/57.

	Line of Roads	Nature of the work performed	Amount expended	Remarks
	1	2	3 Rs. A. P.	4
1	Coast line by Colal, Aochiland Mungulpuddy	Opening	1601 13 -	
2	Ditto near the fort of Coomba	Altering and improving	76 15 -	
3	Road on the South side of the Travellers Bungalow at Codipy	Ditto Ditto	22 - -	
4	Road near the Sea Custom House at Baspergode	Ditto Ditto	- 8 2	
5	Temporary bridge at Cutpaudy on the Codipy and Mangalore road	Erecting	1 10 -	
6	Soolguerry bridge &c. at Bulkul on the Coast road between Cundapoor and Honore	Constructing	495 14 -	
7	Road at Jubincode and Ctegoodday	Repairing	2 8 1	
8	Boats	Purchasing trimming conveying and Shed	883 5 10	
9	Ferry boats and Jungars &c.	Annual repairs	204 4 9	
10	Ditto Ditto	Ditto of Sheds	43 13 11	
11	Jungars	Rent of shed and hauling up	3 - -	
12	Road leading to the Travellers Bungalow at Codipy	Repairing	10 13 10	
13	Shirully byle road in the Talook of Codipy	Ditto	9 12 8	
		Carried Over	3336 7 3	

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Fort St. Geo. 18th July 1857.

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Abstract Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements on account of the Local Fund in the District of Canara for the year 1856/57

Current receipts

District	Balances last account brought forward	Ferry boats and Sales	Road Fund	Sundry items	Total	Deduct Cost of Sea = sons	Balance remaining
		3	4	5	12	10	
Canara	1856	8 5	1035 8	15 7	1058 12	22 10	1035 12
Total	1856	8 5	1035 8	15 7	1058 12	22 10	1035 12

Canara Collector's Cutcherry
Mangalore
18th July 1857

Signed D. Robinson
Acting Collector

	Line of Roads	Nature of the work performed	Amount expended	Remarks
	1	2	3 Rs A P	4
		Brought Over	3336 7 3	
14	Colaul Road	Repairing	29 8 4	
15	Tokkot and Gungaly road	Ditto	19 8 .	
16	Gungoly and Byndoor Road	Ditto	127 1 8	
17	Byendoor and Moordeshwer Ditto	Ditto	377 13 7	
18	Munkeybyle and Coomta Ditto	Ditto	318 10 3	
19	Munjagoony Ditto	Ditto	21 1 4	
20	Near Cundapoor ferry	Ditto	19 8 4	
21	Revetment near Travellers Bungalow at Cundapoor	Ditto	3 8 8	
22	Advance made to Talookdar on account of Jungars and boats to be adjusted hereafter	Ditto	276 3 4	
23	Establishment	For the Year	832 9 5	
24	Contingent Charges	"	18 1 10	
25	Toll houses	Monsoon repairs	8 1 1	
26	Quay at Coottegaul	Repairs & Improvement	249 1 5	
27	Road at Ditto	Ditto	799 3 11	
28	Cost of Printing Pass Ports		6 13 .	
		Company's Rupees	6393 5 5	

Canara - - - -
Collector's Cutcherry
Mangalore - -
9th July 1857

Signed J. D. Robinson
Acting Collector

Order thereon — Ordered to Licence

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To

No 101

To

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

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Mr. No 2832.

From the Collector of Salem

Sir

I have the honor to submit my Local fund Report for the Official year ending 30th April 1857. with two * Statements, one shewing the receipts and disbursements and the other the particulars of Expenditure prepared in the prescribed forms.

* Nos 1 and 2.

* Extract Mr. 29th august 1856 No 911 Board's Proc. 15th Sept. 1856 No 3072.

2. The total receipts from the Ferry rents and Cart tax during the Official year 1856/57 amounted to Rupees 4,622-2-6 the bulk of which Rupees 3,649-8-6. appertains to the Cart tax, Compared with the Collections of the past year, there is a decrease of Rupees 169-12-10 during the year under report, as shewn in the Margin.

3. The balance in hand at the Commencement of the year was Rupees 2,521-15-9. If this is added to the Current receipts the total sum amounts to —

Rupees

* Sorry Rent 1855/56 1856/57 Annual Charges
Cart Tax 3,649-8-6 3,972-10-10 1852-11-0
Net Inc. 322-2-4 965-2-4 814-15-9
169-12-10

Rupees 7,144-2-3. The expenditure incurred on account of different works including Charges of Establishment, came to Rupees 3,473-6-1. This sum being deducted from the total Collection inclusive of the balance, the remainder is Rupees 3,670-11-11.

4 The expenditure on works executed during the present Official year shews a decrease of Rupees 1693-12-8 below the past year. Work to the full amount of the means at my disposal was sanctioned, but from difficulties in procuring labor the Tahsildars failed in many instances to carry out the work entrusted to them.

Bills 1853/56-5167-2
Do: 1856/57-3473-6-4
Decrease—1693-12-8

5 Besides the two items, Ferry Boat and Cart tax, I have entered in the statement a new item, Viz, the rent paid for cattle manure in the Cart halting ground at the Village of Sheveypett adjacent to the town of Salem. This rent appeared as a new item in the Extra Revenue accounts for Fasly 1262 and for that year was carried to the Account. In my report dated 16th Novr number 1854, I requested the Board's permission to expend the rent on Local purposes, as building a shed at the halting ground

Contract No: 15 Dec: 54 Board's Prog: 14th July 1855 Dept. dated 15th June 1855. Ex: In: C: 3d Nov: 1856 Board's Prog: 23d Dec: 1856

ground for the convenience of the bandymen, and digging a well. This measure was sanctioned by Government, and eventually by the Honorable the Court of Directors, and the manure rent from that item has been excluded from the Cart head the proceeds being devoted to the local objects stated above, I propose from the beginning of this year to treat this item in the same way as other local funds, and credit it in my accounts.

6 The average annual rent from Fasly 1262 to Fasly 1266 has amounted to Rupees 51-6-2. The balance in hand at the Commencement of the Official year was Rupees 29-0-0 the current receipts Rupees 71-8-0 making a total of Rupees 100-8-0. The expenditure amounts to Rupees 57-15-1. of which Rupees 13-5-0 was paid towards the Cost of a shed newly erected in the halting ground, and Rupees 16-10-1. on the repairs of the wall surrounding the halting ground. The balance left in hand at the close of the Official year, after making the foregoing expenditure, is Rupees 42-8-11

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7. The several works executed from the Ferry Rents and Cart tax were carried out partly under my Superintendence and partly under the superintendence of the District Engineer, an account of total expenditure with Certified Accounts and Bills for each separate work will be forwarded to the Chief Engineer as prescribed in Section XI.

8. The entire expenditure for the year includes a sum of Rupees 78, being the pay for 7 Months from July 1856 to January 1857, of the Ferry Establishment at Moyaroor adverted to in Para 3 of my last Official report. A statement exhibiting the particulars of this item of charge is sent with my Report as required by Section VIII

dated 11 June/58 No. 63.

9. With reference to Section IV of the rules, I beg to annex a statement shewing the proposed lines of road on which repairs will be made during the Current Official year, the Estimated Cost comes to Rupees 1,850. This statement has been prepared in Communication with the District Engineer, who Concurs with me that the roads entered in the Estimate are those on which the sum at our disposal can best be expended. Any balance in hand will be denoted to other roads as Circumstances may require.

Salem Collector's Office
Salem
11th July 1857.

(Signed) H. A. Brett
Collector

Abstract

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No. 1 Abstract Statement of Receipts and Disbursements on account of Local Funds in the District of Salem for the year 1856-57.

Balance of Current Receipts last account brought forward	Ferry Rents	Cart Tax	Total	Deduct-ed ex-pendi-ture-ing the 1st May 1856	Balance remain-ing-	Deduct Shewapett enclosure for Carts manure Rent	Deduct Balance Receipts during the Official year 1856-57	Total	Deduct-ed ex-pen-diture	Balance remaining
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Salem	2.521	15 9	972 10	- 364	9 8	607	11 11	2 3 34	73 6	4 36	70 11 11	29 - -	71 8 -	100 8 -	57 15 1	42 8 11

Salem Collectors Office
Salem 11th July 1857 -

(Signed) H. A. Brett
Collector

Statement

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Fort St. George 18th July 1857

No. 2

Statement shewing the particulars of the Expenditure from local funds in the Salem District for the year 1856/57.

Line of Road	Nature of the work performed.		Amount expended	Remarks
Road from Salem to Tupatore via Mungavady	Stone work	25 10 0		
	Earth work	5 14 0	111 4 5	
	Gravel work	19 8 8		
	Stone work	1 11 0		
	Repairing Tools	1 5 0		
	Repairing 2 Bridges	8 14 0	31 0 8	
Road from Bangalore to Trichinopoly	Earth work	110 9 4		
	Gravel work	418 9 6		
	Stone work	2 3 1		
	Repairing a drain Brick in Chunam work	22 8 4		
	Pointing Chunam	3 1 0		
	Hire for 180 1/2 carts which brought gravel from the place where it was dug	122 15 7		
	Hire for 1 Cart which Conveyed Pickaxes from Salem to Daramapoory	1 4 0		
	Hire for Coolies who worked on the Road	63 7 2		
	Repairing 14 Pickaxes	18 8 0		
	Purchasing 58 Bamboo Mats to spread on the Carts to bring Gravel	3 10 0		
	Repairing Tools	1 0 0		
	Pay for 1 Goomastah for keeping account from 18th May 1856 to 30th April 1857 at 5 Rupees per Mensem	57 4 1		
			825 0 1	

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Work executed by the Engr. Dept.

Labor

729 Men Coolies at 2 a. each	91 2 .				
1467 Women Do. at 1 Do.	91 11 .				
16 Boys Do. at 6 Pice	. 8 .				
	183 5 .				
2 Wooden Rammers	. 4 .				
Superintendance of 2 Months at 6 Rupees	12 - 0 .	12 1 -	195 9 -	1020 9 1	
Hire for 288 Men Coolies employed for clearing Jungle and removing stones			24 . .		
Hire for 44 Boys for Do.			6 . .	30 . .	
Earth work			215 15 8		
Gravel work			211 5 11		
Constructing 3 Drains of 2 Vents each			84 2 .		
Constructing 4 Drains each 1 Vent			32 6 .		
Painting Chunam to a Drain			18 8 .		
			562 5 7		

Road from Salem to Neringipetta

Road from Daraumpoory to Kistnagherry

Work executed by the Engineers Dept.

Labor

284 Coolies at 2 a. each	35 8 .				
388 Do. at 1 anna 8 Pice do	40 6 8				
334 Women at 1 anna	33 6 .				
9 Hired Carts at 6 annas	3 6 .				
5 Do. at 8 Do.	2 8 .				
	115 2 8				
Materials					
307 Heap of Jelly stones at 1 anna	19 3 .				
		134 5 8	696 11 3		
Rebuilding a Drain of 2 Vents			20 4 .		
Gravel work			24 11 6		
Earth work			10 8 8	55 8 .	
Earth work			9 10 2		
Stone work			60 12 3		
Gravel work			19 12 4	90 2 9	
Constructing a Drain of 2 Vents				31 15 9	
Do. Do.			12 14 .		
Repairing a Drain			9 6 11	22 1 11	
Hire for 529 Carts that brought gravel				132 4 .	
Do. for 106 Carts Do. Do.				26 8 .	
Hire for Conveying stones for Constructing 6 Drains of 1 Vent each			52 6 6		
Do. Do. for Constructing a Drain of 2 Vents			21 2 9		
Do. Do. a Drain of 3 Vents			29 11 9	103 8 .	
Labor					
3 Bricklayers at 7 a. each			1 5 .		
6 Do. at 6½ a. Do.			2 7 .		
32 Do. at 6 Do.			12 . .		

Road from Woolengherry to Eroomulloor

Road from Kistnagherry to Royacotta

Road from Denkencotta to Kellamungalum

Road from Denkencotta to Thully

Road from Ossoor to Denkencotta

In the Town of Ossoor Road from Ossoor to Thully

These drains were constructed by convicts. Hire for Carts which brought stones was paid from the Local Fund.

Road from Tripatore to Singarpett

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8	Do.	at 5½ as Do.		2 12 .	
2731	Men Coolies	at 2 Do.		341 6 .	
2578	Women	at 1 Do.		161 2 .	
4	Maistries	each at 20 Rupees		80 . .	
		Materials		601 . .	
18823	Wall Bricks	at Rs. 2 2 . per 1000	40 . .		
41½	Cundagums of Chunam	at 12 annas per Cundagam	31 2 .		
101	Carts	at 3½ annas each	22 1 6		
14 11/16	Do.	at 8 Do.	7 5 6		
1	Do.	Conveying store things	. 12 .		
339¼	Cubic Ds.	Rough Stone at 8 Annas each	169 10 .		
43½	Do.	Do. at 1½ Do.	12 3 9		
52		Covering stones at 12 as. each	39 . .		
19	Do.	at 4 Do.	4 12 .		
60	Do.	at 2 Do.	7 8 .		
24		Centering Planks at 8 Do.	12 . .		
6	Do.	small at 6 Do.	2 4 .		
		Sundries each below 5 Rupees	10 12 2		
				359 7 11	
				960 7 11	
	Deduct Rs. 500 sanctioned by Government E. M. L. 239 of the 2d Feby 1857			500 . .	
		Total chargeable to the Cart Fund			460 7 11
		Labor			
Salem and Gercaud cattle Path Road from Mc. Donalds Choultry to Senterry droog	10	Men Coolies	at 4 Rupees	40 . .	
	4	Women	Do. at 2 Do.	8 . .	18 . .
	1734	Men	at 2 as.	216 12 .	
	1732	Women	at 1 ascna	108 1 .	
	461	Children	at 6 Pice	14 6 6	
				339 0 6	
	Of this sum Rs. 139 4 . will be recovered from Mr. Gowdeen pay in 6 instalments vide E. M. L. 1045 of the 2d June 1857.			139 4 .	200 2 6
		Total Company's Rupees			3473 0 4

Salem Collector's Office Salem 11th July 1857. E. E. pr. (Signed) H. A. Brett
Collector

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No. 3

Bill of the Expense incurred under the Sanction of Government dated 8th November 1853 for the Boat men employed for the Ferry on the Cauvery River at Mo-ganoor in the District of Salem during the year 1856/57.

6 Boat men from 1st July 1856 to 31st January 1857 @ Rupees 14 per mensem } 98 . .

Company's Rupees Ninety Eight.

Salem 11th July 1857. E E pr. (Signed) H. A. Brett
Collector

N. B.

The pay at Rupees 14 per mensem allowed by Government for 4 Boat men @ 3½ Rupees each is divided among 6 Persons belonging to one family at their own request.

Statement

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Statement shewing the works it is proposed to carry out from the Local Funds during the Official year 1857/58. in the District of Salem

Repairs of road from Salem to Mc Donalds Choultry 9 Miles at 100 Rupees per Mile	900 - -
Do from Mc Donalds Choultry to Sentcherry droog 12 Miles at 50 Rupees per Do	600 - -
Do from Namakul to Paramally 11 Miles at 50 Rupees per Do	550 - -
Do from Darampoory to Caurymungalum 13 Miles at 100 Rupees per Do	1300 - -
Do between Ossoor and Paula code 30 Miles of road at 50 Rs per Do	1500 - -
	4850 - -

Salem
11th July 1857 } (Signed) H. A. Brett
Collector

630-631 Order thereon

Ordered to lie over

Resolved that the following letter be despatched

Statement

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11675

Do. No. 2 to 30

Statement shewing the details of the Local Funds for the Month of June 1857

District and date	Roads which the Fund will be expended during the Month.	Price which the Fund, or Law regarding Fallings	Further Remarks	
Kummalatti 2nd inst. 1857	Very heavy Mungalwood the District—at Kummal the	All kinds of grain except Cumbu, which is stationary here	Cattle are diminishing from the District is the Province, but the Island of Pulicat planted chiefly to the landholders District—however have been adopted to keep them from the Villages, under the jungles.—	

Tuesday 4th inst. 2 miles 9 furg 1857 Rupees 11/12.

Here was a different point on the hills to the Pradies in the Ossoor and Salem Channels &c.

Some cultivation under the Local Funds the Cotton plant in Paula Valley and Gingelly & Castor Oil seeds have come places for sowing season.

These were some Colonels, grain mostly among Cattle.

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District and date	Rain fall	State of the Crops and the cultivation operations.	Prices whether high or low, rising, falling &c.	Further remarks.
	pending on them. The rain on the plains was so barely sufficient even to satisfy the requirements of the cattle.	The Cotton crops are nearly all gathered. the yield is nearly equal to that of last year.	Rice is being imported from Madura &c. to Travancore	The exportation is very small.
Canara dated 4th inst. to 10th July 1857 My No. 1126.	Thirty-four inches of rain fell at Mangalore and seasonably	The lands are being prepared and transplanting for the 1st Crop is going on. The plants are strong and healthy. The crops generally promising.	Rising slightly owing to the Scarcity in the neighbouring District of Malabar.	Small pox and fever are partially prevalent—a few deaths from cholera occurred in Honore & Ankola
Ganjam. dated 1 inst. to 11th July 1857. My No. 1129.	Abundant rain throughout the District at Chitterpoor—	The Gingelly seed Crop is thriving. Raggy and paddy have been sown in some places, in others they are being sown.	Paddy Raggy and Gingelly oil seeds have risen slightly above last month.	Cholera and small pox are abating. the pains have benefitted the country generally—
	The total fall was 11½ inches and upwards of six inches on the 21st. The Mahanadi over flowed and submerged the fields in Goomsur and its neighbourhood—the flood being the highest on record for many years.	Sugar cane is also being planted and ploughing is going on actively		

The quantity of rain falling at different places will be shown in future reports.

Malabar dated 6 inst. to 11th July 1857 My No. 1128.	The rains have been seasonable and fell as shown below.	Inches		
Coast Talook—	38	6	4½	
East: dal Plain)	31	4	1	
Wynaad.	43	3	8	

The rice crop is in good condition and promises large returns.

Cocoanut, Pepper, Ginger, and other Garden produce are thriving

High and without variation from last Month.

Small pox and Cholera are prevalent in the Palghat Talook to some extent.

N. B. The Acting Collector of Malabar having omitted to state by the usual footnote that a duplicate Copy of his present Report was forwarded to the Chamber of Commerce the Board have furnished the Chamber with a Copy and have called Mr. Robinson's attention to the omission.

Rajahmundry. dated 4 inst. to 11th July 1857. My No. 427.		Mr	South
	Coast (Cocanada)	3	1
	Plains (Rollee)	4	7
	a Rajahmundry	7	11
	High lands	8	8
	Average	5	9

The early dry Crops are being cultivated generally throughout the Distt.

The wet Crops have all been down.

Rice and Paddy have risen above last Month and to have Gingelly and oil Lamp oil seeds owing to great demand for exportation.

Small pox and disease among cattle partially exist. Cholera prevails in a few Villages of two Talooks.

Revenue Board Office, Fort St. George, 18th July 1857.

(Signed) L. Forbes, Acting Sub Secretary

To

11677

Fort St. George 18th July 1857

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B. No. 2425
To the Secretary to the Board of Examiners

Official Memorandum

The Acting Sub Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to request that the Secretary to the Board of Examiners will furnish a copy of the latest Edition of Shakespear's Hindustany Dictionary and Grammar for the use of the Board of Revenue

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George.
18th July 1857.

/Signed/ L. Forbes,
Acting Sub Secretary

B. No. 2451.
Proceedings to Chingleput

Read Petition Board's No. 65 of 1857 from certain Parties inhabitants of Pallavampauttum in the Taluck of Pareapallem in Chingleput.

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Ordered that the foregoing petition be forwarded to the Collector who will be good enough to report for the information of Government upon the Petitioner's assertions (1) that the Meerasdarars had been formally designed by the latter under a Rarramamah (2) that the charges incurred in bringing the land under cultivation were not reimbursed to them.

2. The Board are aware that this case has been already reported upon by the Collector, but is unable them to meet the requisition of Government the information now sought is necessary.

3. The Board desire also to know the nature of the claim to the land adverted to in the last clause of para 2 of the Collector's letter dated 29th November 1855.

Sub for 16 Jan/56

To

11678

Fort St. George 18th July 1857

To

The Acting Collector
of Malabar.

Sir,

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B. No. 2431
To the Acting Collector of Malabar.

Dy. Sec. to B. of R. 18 July 1857

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to call your attention to the omission in your last season Report of the usual notice stating that a duplicate copy of the Report had been forwarded to the Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce.

2. A copy has been since furnished to the Chamber from this Office.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George.
18th July 1857.

/Signed/ L. Forbes,
A. Sub Secretary

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Mr. No. 1543

Received the undermentioned Mrs. Collectors letters and statements.

From the Collector of Vizagapatam - Comparative Statement shewing the Demand for Fasly 1265 & 1266.

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Mr. No. 1544

From the Collector of Vizagapatam:- Comparative statement shewing the Collections on account of current and arrears of Fasly 1265 and 1266.

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Mr. No. 1542.

From the Collector of Trichinopoly:- Return of fines imposed and stoppages made from the pay of the Public Servants for Quarter ending 30th June 1857.

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Mr. No. 1541.

From the Collector of Madras. Return of fines imposed and stoppages made from the pay of the Public Servants for Quarter ending 30th June 1857.

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Mr. No. 1540.

From the Collector of Madras. Reporting that no alteration or remission of the Fines levied in the last Quarter have been effected in the present

641 Present as also that no suspensions or
Mr No 1548. dismissals have taken place in this Quarter.
From the Collector of Trichinopoly. Return of Public servants
642 suspended or dismissed from employment
Mr No 1539. for Quarter ending 30th June 1857.
From the Collector of Trichinopoly. Stating that the Return
643 hereon named is not sent, as nine of the
Mr No 1534. particulars which it is to contain has oc-
From the Collector of Sea Customs. curred in the Quarter ending 30th June 1857.
644 List of letters addressed to
Mr No 1533. the Board of Revenue and remaining
From the Collector of Sea Customs. unanswered upto 30th June 1857.
645 List of letters received
Mr No 1537. from the Board of Revenue and remaining
From the Agent at Kurnool. unanswered upto 30th June 1857.
646 Average Bazar Prices
of Grain &c for June 1857.
From the Collector of Canara. Return of Village Offici
647 suspended or dismissed from employ-
Mr No 1547 ment under Regulation VII of 1831 for
From the Collector of Trichinopoly. May 1857.
648 Return of Village Offici
Mr No 1545 suspended or dismissed from employ-
From the Collector of Canara. ment under Regulation VII of 1831 for June 1857.
649 Register of Ration for
Mr No 1536. April 1857.
From the Collector of Sea Customs. Export Statement of
650 Bullion for June 1857.
Mr No 1535
From the Collector of Sea Customs. Import Statement
of Bullion for June 1857.

Proceedings

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Monday the 20th July 1857.

Read the following Papers.

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Pr No 2788 } Extract from the Minutes of
From the Sec. to Govt } Consultation in the Revenue
Department under date the
11th July 1857.

Requesting the
Board to favor the Govern-
=ment with their
opinion on the
case involved
in O. S. No 141 of
1855 of the Masulipatam
Civil

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Civil Courts file as well as on the course to be pursued in the event of other similar Suits being filed.

Bd No 2434

Order thereon

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Ordered to be communicated to the

Acting Collector.

J.D.

Fort St George 20th July 1857.

No 21.

To

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

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Bd No 459

From the Collector of South Arcot

Reporting upon the classification and assessment of the lands of the 44 Villages in the Pallicem Cottah Jaghire attached to the Chellumbrum Talook of South Arcot.—

Received with Extract from the Proceedings of the Bd of Revenue dated 9th February 1856.—

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the information of the Board of Revenue and of Government that in accordance with the orders contained in Extract from the Minutes of Consultation dated 8th February 1856, No 136. I have finished the classification and assessment of the lands of the 44 Villages which form the resumed Jaghire of Pallicemattah, attached to the Chellumbrum Talook of this District.

2. The circumstances of the Villages in question have been already set forth in the letters noted in the margin to

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Do - Do	12th February 1855	- 19	
Do - Do	9 May 1855	- 90	
Do Do	12th February 1856	- 27	

that it is only now necessary for me to explain the actual application of the sanctioned rates of assessment with the probable result which may be looked for in a financial point.

point of view as far as it can be judged of at present.

3. Following the principles laid down in my letter to the Board dated 12th February 1855. I arranged all the land under the two Heads of "Irrigated" or "Unirrigated" as the case happened to be and then divided each into four classes with reference to the nature and capability of the soil. The rates of assessment, as given in the following Table were then applied.

Soil		Rate of assessment when land is irrigated Per Cawny		Per Acre		Rate of assessment when land is unirrigated Per Cawny		Per Acre	
		Rs.	a	Rs.	a	Rs.	a	Rs.	a
Black	1	7	1	5	5	3	1	2	6
Sandy	2	6	2	4	10	2	3	1	10
Red	3	5	4	3	15	1	12	1	8
white and other kind	4	3	8	2	10	1	2	0	14

4 According to the old records of the Saghire the area of the Villages in the aggregate, comprised 25,020 - 14 - 0 or 33,086 - 21 - 531 - while by the Survey which took place in the year

year 1839 under the direction of Mr Ashton, the superficial area was set down as 25,430 Ct acres or 33,635 being a triple greater than the extent entered in the old accounts of the Saghire.—

5. The present Survey conducted by Captain Priestly, gives the total area of the 44 Villages at 34,589 + de - 39 - 22 + ft which is 9 ac 55 - 9 - 27 - more than the former Survey made it

6 In 35 Villages, Captain Priestley's operations show an increase in the area, amounting in all to 2,672 a - 13 - 42 - above — the former Survey, while in 9 Villages the areas were found to be less than they were formerly set down, to the extent of 1,667 a - 2 - 255 - making a net difference only of 955 a - 10 - 8 sq/6 or about 3 per Cent. —

7- Deducting from this Area the land which has not been entered in the Field Books and Land Registers prepared by Captain Priestley, the extent of that portion which was actually measured in detail by his people

+ 54 Square Miles

people amounts to 25,536—20—76. as shewn
in the following Statement Viz.t

	A.	G.	M.
Total Area...	34,589—	39—	111
Deduct			
Land not measured in detail,			
Viz.t bed of Pellour River, part			
of Veeranem tank, Perumboke			
land covered with Jungles,			
and immemorial waste.....	9,053—	19—	174
Remainder which has been			
measured in detail.....	25,536—	20—	76

8.

A further deduction was shewn
in the Survey Books on account of the bunds
of the Nunjah fields, but it does not amount to
much— The deduction to be made on this
account was calculated at a bund of 1 Foot in
breadth for each field— The whole comes
to 46— G. — S.ft 976.—

9.

A good deal of the Perumboke
land, however, which has not been measured
in detail by Captain Priestly is capable of
being reclaimed— I should say that two thirds
of the whole of the Perumboke lands allotted

to

to in the preceding Statement might
be cultivated and that it will be eventually cleared and occupied. As portions of it are brought under the Plough, they will be assessed upon the same principles which have been adopted in regard to the fields already occupied— Some, indeed, of this land has been already taken up and will be, in due course classified and assessed,—

10.

The lands actually measured by the Surveying Officers are given in the annexed Statement under the two distinctive heads of Nunjah and Poonjah, and again as Perumboke, Enam and Sin land— I must however explain that the terms Nunjah and Poonjah, as here used, denote the discription of the Crops which were growing on the land at the time of the Survey and do not refer to the fact of whether the land possess the means of irrigation or not, for Captain Priestly regarded the lands as either Nunjah

to,

or Poonjah according to the Crops he found on them, taking Paddy as Nunjah and all other produce as Poonjah - The adoption of this plan causes a considerable difference to be apparent between the extent of the land entered by the Surveying Officers as Nunjah and Poonjah and that which has been brought by me under the Heads of "Irrigated" and "Unirrigated" as I have arranged the lands without regard to the Crops but solely with reference to the circumstance of their having the means of irrigation or not -

	Nunjah			Poonjah			Total		
	Acres	Gvt Share taken Cist	A.	G.	S	A.	G.	S	A. G. S
Perumbokke	2	38	877	3077	18	42	3080	16	919
Cham including new assessment	445	2	48	803	9	710	1246	11	753
Ain including presumed Manimo	4642	25	171	1991	1	524	2165	26	695
Total	4,590	26	1	2,899	29	187	26490	15	189

11. I may here remark that the following items are comprised under the denomination of Perumboke Viz.t -

Pagoda Topes	Roadways
Sites of Villages	Sites of buildings
Do of Hamlets	Tank beds and bunds
Flower Gardens	Threshing floors
Rent free Topes	Cattle stands

Ain or Government Topes Land not already classified - Burial grounds, Channels -

12. The average Revenue derived from the Villages of this Jaghire during the 7 years preceding Fasly 12 64 was Rupees 25,985-6-4 as exhibited in the next Table - By deducting those items which were abolished, by order of the Board of Revenue, in Fasly 12 64, this average would have been reduced to 27,819-12-4 but the amount of the settlement in Fasly 1265, (the year after the items alluded to were abandoned) was a great deal higher than this sum in consequence of the increase of cultivation which took place in anticipation of a light assessment being

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Statement

Fasly	acres	Rs
12 64	8,021	2,050
12 68	10,704	28,558

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being put upon the lands—

Table

Land	7 years average cultivation	7 years average turnah	Deduct items since abolished	Net teerwah	Average teerwah per Cawny
	Acres	Rs. a p	Rs a p	Rs a p	Rs a p
Poonjah	7,611	" 23,850 1 8	3,875 7 9	19,980 9 11	2 10 6¾
Nunjah	741	" 1,787 10 7	154 13 6	1,632 13 1	2 3 3
Garden	39 10	341.10 1	185.4.9	286.5.4	5 4 1
Total	8,291 10	25,985 6.4.	4,166 10	21,819 12 4	

13. It must however be borne in mind that this Revenue was not derived from a simple assessment on the land, but from the levy of certain ratios of taxation upon dry grain crops varying according to the description of the crop itself, the nature of the soil on which it was grown, and the caste or business of the Cultivator, as well as from a division of wet (Nunjah) Crops on whatever

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whatever kind of land they were raised. Besides which sundry extra cesses were collected to which I have alluded above and which were particularized in my letter to the Board dated 20th September 1854—

14. This system of course gave rise to much fluctuation in the annual amount of Revenue and does not afford a good data for comparing the new Rates of assessment with the old ones.—

15. In view of applying the sanctioned rates of assessment in a satisfactory manner. I pitched my Camp in the Jaghire and there, in the presence of the people themselves, carried on the Classification of the Lands, the result of which is shewn in the following Table with the assessment fixed.—

Description

Description of Land	Soil	Taluqs Table of Villages &c	Extent of Land	Assessment	Extent of Land	Assessment
			Subdivided Land and assessment		Exam Land and assessment	
			Rt a	acres g. sq. Rt a P	a g. sq. Rt a P	
Irrigated	Black 1	5	5 16	4215 324 11	" " " " " "	
	Sandy 2	4	10 101	1753 745 9 11	11 39 1005	55 7 10
	Red 3	3	15 "	" " " " " "	" " " " " "	
	White Wm 4	2	10 "	" " " " " "	" " " " " "	
				2122 1071 4 11	11 39 1005	55 7 10
Unirrigated	Black 1	2	5	79 20 24 937 18 316	11 7 435 8 397	1006 4 6
	Sandy 2	1	10	11,972 20 549 19 457	6 8 95 6 350	104 5 16 1
	Red 3	1	5	898 2 19 1178 15 7	95 9 574	125 5 4
	White Wm 4	"	4	147 37 1080	129 7 4	28 2 607 25 1 6
				20,939 5 437 39,082 9 2	1235 11 839	2255 10 5
Total	Black 1	"	"	7,981 29 68 18,641	6 7 435 8 397	1006 4 6
	Sandy 2	"	"	12,133 37 552 20,204 " 7	688 6 304	1164 6 11
	Red 3	"	"	898 2 19 1178 15 7	95 9 574	125 5 4
	White Wm 4	"	"	147 37 1080	129 7 4	28 2 607 25 1 6
				21,167 26 596 40,155 14 1	1,248 11 753	2,312 2 3

* Vide Offl Memo No 1 Brevt dated 27th Jn Con 18 March 67 No 808.

10.

It will be observed that there is a great difference (the cause of which I explained in para 10) between the extent of each description of land given in the foregoing statement and that entered in the Survey Books as shewn in the Table annexed to Para 10, but the totals are the same after deducting the unassessed Pcrumbo. It will also be seen that the first two columns when compared with the last two, have, by far the greater proportion of the land under them. The predominant soil in the Taqhire is Sandy but in some Villages the land was found to be all black, — while in others there was nothing but Sand, and in some again there were alternate ranges of black and Sandy fields.

17. The Classification of the land occupied much more of my time and attention than I expected it would. The Ryots themselves were very keen in looking after their own interests and in many cases endeavoured to get their lands put into lower turums than those to which they really belonged. This caused some delay, but as Villagers were all assembled on

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on the spot, disputes were at once settled either by my going myself to inspect the land or by sending a Deputy to do so - The preliminary account which had been prepared by the Tahsildars who had been sent before hand to register the nature of the soil did not prove altogether trustworthy or useful as they should have been chiefly in consequence of the confused way in which the description of the component soils was in many cases entered - All doubts, however, which arose were speedily set at rest by my taking the people themselves to the fields and inspecting the soil in their presence -

18.

After the classification of the land was effected, the application of the rates of assessment was a very simple affair, but in doing it I went over each field, having its number, the name of the occupant (when there was one) the nature of the soil, the tirwun under which it fell, and the rate of assessment fixed on it, proclaimed in the presence of the Village

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Village officers and the Ryots - This proceeding tended to satisfy all parties -

When appeping the lands

19.

I took an opportunity of informing the Ryots, that the present rates were only intended to apply to single crop lands and that when they raised second crops by means of Government water on their Nunjah lands they would have after be subject to such general orders as the Government might be pleased to issue on the subject of charging for second crops -

In the present inspect

20.

the sources of irrigation in this Zaghire it is not likely that second crops will be raised, but when a better supply of water is furnished some of the Nunjah land will doubtless be capable of yielding two crops.

I explained also to the

21.

people that such Poonjah lands as were brought under cultivation by means of Government water, would be subject, in the first instance, to an extra charge, and would, when the supply of water become permanent, be transferred into Nunjah Tarum -

In dealing with the Ryots,

22.

X Ryot.

I confirmed the people in the enjoyment of the
which they had clearly been holding
free and agreeably to the views of Govern
expressed in extract from the Minutes of
Consultation dated 21st May 1856. I gave
the owners of the Private Topes for whic
it had been usual to levy a tree tax or assess
of Government the option of either taking
the land on which the trees
stood at a fixed assessment in lieu
of continuing to pay as hitherto
by the tree. Several parties
to take the land with the
trees on it and pay the tax
assessment, which was accor
dingly imposed and the
land brought into the
ate class.

23. The land occupied by these
Topes which was thus given over amounts

Topes paying land assessment	A. 18	0. 87	a. f. 5 655 in extent to only 18 — 5 — 655
Topes paying by the Tree	89	3 338	while the other private Topes

Feb ..... 107. 8. 893 held upon payment of a
tree tax, contained 89 — 3 — 338 of land
24. As I have already pointed
out elsewhere, no registered garden lands exist
ed in the Jaghire, the former practice having been to charge a
very

	Rs	A	
Tobacco	43	12	per Candy very high rates (as given in the
Plantain	21	14	Do Margin) for Garden produce
Brinjal & Vegetables	21	14	Do wherever it was grown. Under
Nuttaburg & fine grain	10	15	6 Pc the present system, however
	6	7	6 Pc as now introduced, Garden

produce may be raised at the pleasure of the proprietor without his being subjected to any further tax than the rate fixed on the land itself.

25. The land termed "Munawary Kunjah" which is land upon which a crop of Paddy can be grown, altho' it has no means of irrigation was treated by me as Poonjah altho it was entered by Captain Priestley as Kunjah. Having classed it thus, I declared it to be liable to the full Rajah charge when it receives hereafter water from a Government source.

Munawary Kunjah	acres 8920		
Nim Kunjah	acres 8,920		

The extent of this land was 25. while the quantity of land which was found to be really possessing the means of regular irrigation from Government reservoirs, was very small, only amounting throughout the whole Jaghire, to acres 222 — 21 — 28

as

As however new sources of irrigation are constructed and the present ones repaired and improved, a great addition to the extent of irrigated land will undoubtedly take place.

27 Many of the Villages possess excellent capabilities and advantages for being brought under better irrigation than they have hitherto been, and steps have been already taken to improve them in the aggregate.

28 There are only about 30 Private Wells, and no Government ones, throughout the Jaghire, which are used for irrigation purposes, while the Tanks have been sadly neglected and in numerous instances allowed to fall into ruin. As soon, however, as the people understood that they were to reap the full benefit of any improvements they may make in their lands, they evinced a ready desire to sink Wells and cultivate the most profitable kind of products.

29. I feel no doubt whatever of their doing so and of their largely tapping up waste lands, and I entertain confident expectations, that, under the moderate and

and simple form of taxation which has been now introduced, these hitherto neglected Villages, will in a few years, be brought into a flourishing condition, to aid in effecting which, I purpose giving progressive Cowles for reclaiming the Jungle, and waste lands.

30 The average extent of cultivation in this Jaghire up to last year may be taken as equal to a little more than one third of the total Agacut, which has been now assessed by one. There can be no doubt, I think, of at least half of the remainder of this Agacut being soon brought under cultivation, added to which, a good deal of the land now unirrigated will be furnished with a permanent supply of water while Perumbokke land will be reclaimed. I calculate therefore that in a very few years the Revenue of the Jaghire will be raised to about £35,000 Rupees and after that I feel sure there will still be a gradual advance in farming operations till the whole of the cultivable area.

area is occupied.

31

When applying the rates of assessment I found that certain Brahmins and others had possession of land, for which they only paid an easy rent. I made such enquiries on the spot as seemed necessary into each case, but with the exception of the present representatives of the Family of the original Sagheedars I saw no reason to allow any of these people to continue that, with this one exception, the instructions were to be considered applicable to all

32

Having however into consideration the former high position of the Family of the original Sagheedars and the state of poverty to which the few surviving members have been reduced since the death (in 1840) of the last man who received a pension from Government, it appeared to me that the present representatives of the house, had strong claims to enjoy the same privilege which he

* I am applied to lands which are the private property of Sagheedars Zemindars & Polygars —

had hitherto possessed in regard to his assessed Cumbattum land, from which a remission of about 25 per cent had been always made

33

This indulgence therefore, in consideration of the peculiar circumstances of the case, I directed should still be continued to him for his life time, and I trust my having done so will be approved of — The extent of land to which these favorable terms are applicable, is noted in the Margin

34

The following Table contains the particulars of the Canam land entered in our old accounts of the Sagheer, of which I found it necessary to resume a portion, adding new assessments for the Saliaries and Potics, as I will briefly explain — The net result is shewn in the statement annexed to para 15 under the head of assessed Canam lands —

Then

* Conjeh-56-5½
Kunjeh-5-2½
Coil-62-3¼

* I offer
Hoopein Khan

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Returns

Extract of Enam Land Journals

				A	P	P
1 Total land as per Enam account	829	36	760	1593	13	8
Deduction						
2 Village Enam resumed	125	34	350	316	11	8
Difference between the old & new Measurement	3	19	809			
Total	129	14	70	316	11	8
Net	700	32	690	1277	1	6
Particulars of the above Devastanums						
For Chavady Enam	46	4	864	69	7	10
For Carpenter and Smith	3	15	663	5	8	2
For Punchanghee	43	21	186	78	-	3
For Poty ah Enam	7	3	638	11	8	4
For Brahmins	41	15	865	70	4	1
Summud Enams	6	27	706	12	9	9
Total	553	14	45	1029	11	3
	700	22	690	1277	1	6
Added new Enam grants for Soliahs	349	2	302	663	6	3
For Pollies	198	26	860	371	10	6
Total	547	29	63	1035	-	9
Grand Total	1246	11	753	2312	2	5

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35 In view to bring the Villages
of this Jaghire under the same management
as all other Pein Villages, it appeared to me
proper that monigars should be appointed
instead of the Sabundars who had been hither-
to conducting the duties usually perform-
ed by Monigars.

*55 for the whole Jaghire

36 I therefore selected such
*officers and placed them on an equal footing
in regard to allowances with the same officers
in the other parts of the District, who are
paid by a percentage from the Peris of their
respective Villages — As then followed that
the Mauiam Lands which the former
Meerassidars of the Villages had in their
occupancy should revert to government
These Lands I therefore resumed, appointing
the Meerassidars wherever practicable,
to be the new Monigars.

37 The total allowances
per annum for these officers, calcu-
lated upon the average Peris of seven
years, would come to Rupees 491. —
against which, the pay of the
discontinued Sabundars amounting to Rupees
180 a year, as well as the assumed maniem
Lands

alluded to above (the assessment on which comes to 816 Rupees) may be taken as a set off.

38 The next step was to complete the establishment of Salaries and Foties and to arrange for their Emoluments.

39 The Salaries of this Jaghire had never enjoyed any rent free lands, but had been very inadequately rewarded by voluntary fees from the Ryots, while only in some Villages the Fotiés had Inam lands.

40 To rectify this state of things, I selected 49 Salaries for the 68 Villages, and allotted for them lands to the extent of A. G. R. 2 — 17 — 28 of Nunjah and 346 — 24 — 16 of Ponjah, agreeably to the scale already sanctioned by the orders passed for revising the Salary System of the whole District. I held out hopes also to these men that they would soon receive money payments in addition to the land now assigned to them.

41. These payments which I have computed by the same rule as that which has been approved of for the other Salaries of the District, will involve annual outlay of Rupees 378 — as shewn in the Margin, and as I think it is of great importance that these money allowances should be immediately secured

X 14 Salaries at 12 Rupees 168
35 Do at 6 Rs 210
Total — 378

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to the Salaries of these Villages without waiting till the accounts of the whole District are submitted. I beg to recommend that a seperate sanction for disbursment should be at once accorded

42 For the Fotiés, who form a particularly useful class of people, I also allotted manieu lands at 12 Rupees for the larger, and 7 Rupees for the smaller Villages.

43 The total extent of the land thus assigned for the Fotiés amounted to A. G. R. 198 — 26 — 800 to which must be added the quantity (A. G. R. 41 — 15 — 866) which was already held by these people, making a grand total of A. G. R. 240 — 2 — 666 — As the Fotiés receive petty Fees from the Ryots they are not entitled to any money payment from Government.

44 I did not allot any new land as Manieu for other Village servants such as Smiths and Carpenters, but I did not deprive any persons of their claims of whatever I found in their possession. The extent of these alienations is shewn in the preceding Statement of Enam lands.

As regards the Devesthanum

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Devastanums Enams, I have called upon the parties concerned to shew their titles to them, and I have done the same in respect of the Enam land held by Brahmins - The greater portion of the Summud Enams giving in the Statements is held by the Moofty Sudr Ameen in Malabar, but I am carrying on enquiries in to the validity of his title, as well as of those under which other parties hold the Enam lands in question.

46. Thus the total extent of Enam land in the Jaghire, according to our old accounts, amounts to 8 2 9 - 36 - 7 0 or an assessment of Rupees 1 5 9 3 - 13 - 2 Deducting the lands resumed from the Shurapidars, there remained 7 0 — 22 — 6 9 0 which, by the addition of the new assignments for the Saliaries and Sotio is now raised to

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to 1 2 4 8 — 11 — 7 3 8 with an assessment of Rupees 2 5 12 — 2 — 3.

I have directed the

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Sanctioned stoppage of 1 anna per Candy, or rather 1 Pie per acre to be made on account of the District Road Fund from the assessment now imposed and I have formally declared the general rules of the Posthumanah to be applicable to the lands of this Jaghire in every respect.

48 I may add that the people expressed great satisfaction at the arrangements which have been made in regard to their lands, and that they appeared fully to appreciate the new System of taxation as a change by which their social position has been greatly improved.

49 I beg leave in conclusion to state that I have not attempted

attempts to make this more
than a brief report on the subject
to which it refers, in accordance
with the order of Government
contained in the concluding Para
of Extract from Minutes of
Consultation dated 8th February
1856, but I trust it will be found
to contain all the information which either the Board
or Government desire
to have before them.

South Arcot,
Collector's Cutcherry
Cuddalore
26th January, 1857.

/Signed/ Arthur Hall
Collector.

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Bl. No. 2437
Proceedings thereon
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Before going up to
Government with Mr Hall's Report
on the remission of assessment
in the Polliemcottah Jaghire, the
Board would wish him to explain
the course adopted by him in
fixing upon the rates per
cawny. This is the most im-
portant of the whole of the
operations connected with an
assessment, and the only
information as to the data
by which these rates were
selected is Mr Hall's statement in
para 18 that "the application of the
rates of assessment, was a very simple
affair."

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2. With reference to para 11 the Board would observe that it is not usual to class any kind of Topes and Flower Gardens under the head of Perumboke, and they would wish Mr Hall to inform them if such is the case in other parts of the District. It appears from para 22 that private Topes are not classed as Perumboke.

3. The Board would also wish to know what kind of land was set apart for the Taliaries and Totties. If it was old waste, it could be but of little use to them. If already in cultivation, it would probably be claimed by others.

Read

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Read again letter from the Collector of Canara dated 14th and entered in Miscellaneous Consultation 21st February 1857, of Village Officers suspended or dismissed for the month of December 1856.-

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Bd No 2445
Proceedings thereon The Board observe that a definite term of suspension should invariably be recorded.-

2. The Collector will be pleased to state whether all or how much of the charge in No 2 was established. The offence charged against the Defendant is a very serious one, and it appears to the Board that if there are no special reasons for considering this punishment sufficient, it would be advisable to remove him from the office of Shanbouge.

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Official Memorandum

Asster
B. P. No. 1523
From the Ag Collr
of Ganjam

There being no Assistant Collector, the Principal Assistant Collector being at Chicacole, and the Acting Collector having been prevented by illness from reaching Chutterpore as he intended, the Cash was examined by the Head Sheristadar and Head English Accountant.

Ganjam District, - - - -
Collector's Circuit Office,
Chicacole, 20th April 1857.

(Signed) W. Knox,
Acting Collector.

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

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Order thereon Ordered to be recorded

To

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Ryt P. 2728
From the Actg
Supg Engr N. C.

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Departt Public Works, Minute dated the 3d June 1857.

Read the following General observations made by Captain T. Greenaway, Executive Engineer, G. D. during the month of April 1857.

Masulipatam District.

Pentapad Talook.

Received 9th May 1857
Desp 11th May 1857

I receive frequent complaints from the Overseers employed in this and Kykaloor Talooks respecting the difficulty of procuring the necessaries of life. They state, that not only do they receive no assistance in procuring such, but that they are even hindered from getting them for themselves. I am inclined to believe that there must be a good foundation for these complaints and that they do not arise from any fault in the Overseers themselves, because not only the other Overseers employed in the Rajahmundry Talooks, Vizt. Mogultoor Tannakoo & Dondee, but the very complainants themselves, whose duties lie partly in these latter Talooks, make no similar complaints

If these Overseers will make distinct complaints to me, I will sift them to the bottom.

complaints against the Native officials in the

"Rajahmundry District

Mogultore & other Talooks.

Some reputation seems to be wanting to pre-
-vent Channel banks from being cut or
Sluices meddled with by the Ryots during
the night, as far as the Sluices are concerned,
it might be done by employing revolving shutters
with a Key, as is now in use at Palcole.

But it is impossible to keep up an
Establishment to watch the banks during
their entire length, and in ninety-nine cases
out of a hundred it is impossible to get
such legal proof against the actual culprit
as would, had a Magistrate to convict, at
the same time the whole Village know right well
who did it and why it was done.

I would therefore propose to make
each Village jointly responsible for every wil-
-ful damage done to a work within the limit
of its lands, unless the actual culprit be
detected,

An order of this nature was issued in the Masulipm District by Mr Luxhington.

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detected, and to levy a fine upon the Village
to the extent of the loss occasioned to Govern-
-ment by the mischief done."

Camp at Martair,
1st May 1857.

(Signed) T. Greenaway, Captain,
Executive Engineer, G.D.

(Signed) J. W. Rundall, Captain,
District Engineer,
Godavery Division.

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Resolves

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Resolved to forward for the perusal of the Board of Revenue, the foregoing observations in original / to be obligingly returned / with a request that they will be good enough to pass such orders as they may see fit on the two subjects of complaint, Viz. the difficulty of procuring supplies in the Pentapad and Kykalore Talooks of Masulipatam; and the practice of cutting the channel banks, and interfering with the sluices in the Mogultoor and other Talooks of Rajahmundry.

(True Extract)

(Signed) C.B. Johnston, Captain
Ag Supg Engr N. Circle

To, The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.

11715. Fort St. George 20th July 1857.

B. P. No. 2440
Proceedings thereon
658. 659

With regard to the complaint of the overseers of the Public Works' Department employed in the Pentapaud and Kykalore Talooks of Masulipatam as to the difficulty of procuring supplies, the Board observe that Mr Rhode has expressed his readiness to enquire fully into the complaints, if distinctly preferred to him. The Board do not see therefore that any orders are required from them on this subject, as it is clearly incumbent on complainants to address the local authority in the first instance and the more promptly this course is adopted, the greater will be the likelihood of the investigation being successful.

2. The Board will forward a copy of Captain Greenaway's remarks on

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on the injuries caused to Channel banks, &c. in Rajahmundry to the Collector for any observations he may wish to make. Village Officers should be required to take due care of public works of every description within their limits and any want of proper and reasonable vigilance on their part should be severely punished but the remedy proposed by Captain Greenaway could not be applied without a legislative enactment.

3. The Acting Collector of Masulipatam will be requested to forward a copy of the order referred to by him in his original note on Captain Greenaway's diary.

Ordered that a copy of these Proceedings be forwarded to the Chief Engineer and the Collectors of Rajahmundry and Masulipatam.

To.

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No. 68.

To I. D. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue

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Bd. No. 1833.

From the Acting Collector of Masulipatam.

From Commr. N.C. 17th Novr. 1856.

Bds Pro. 11th Septr. 1857 with Extract Minutes Consn 15th Augt 1851, No. 952.

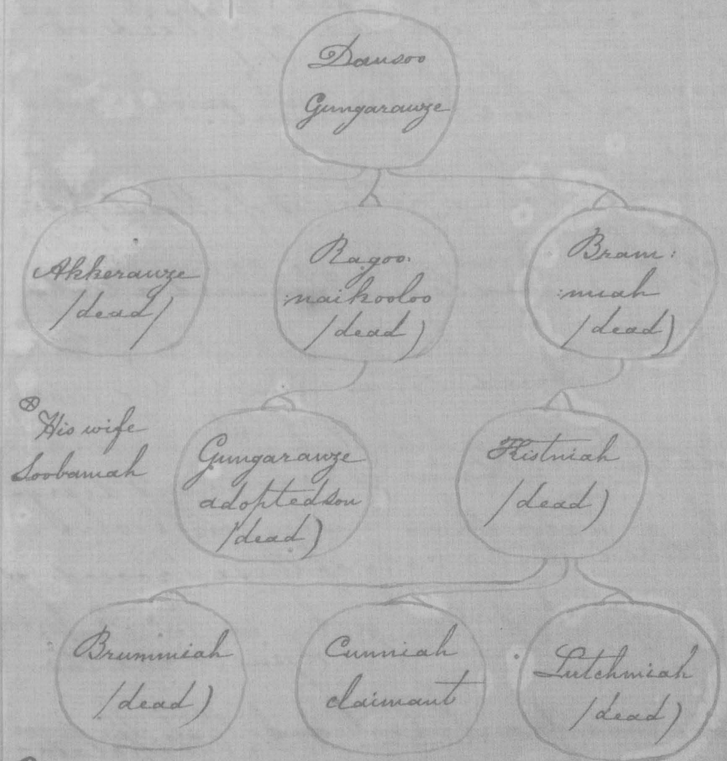
Bds letter 22d Decr 1854.

Para 1

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence noted in the Margin I have the honor to submit what I trust may prove a satisfactory and final report on the subject of the Nalloor Aggraharum.

2. I will first offer a brief history of what has already occurred and then state my opinion as to how the matter must be settled.



* had an adopted son Jagerauze whose adoption was cancelled by Court in a suit brought by Gungarauze.

3. The Village of Nalloor is entered in Mr. Oakes accounts of 1797 as an aggraharum granted by the Zemindars in 1761. to Dasoo Gungarauze whose lineal descendants and sole living representatives were Dasoo Akkerauze Gungarauze & Cumniah as appears by Genealogical tree in the margin.

4. D. Akkerauze before his

his death gave away as his widow said. the entire aggraharum to a Pagoda - but this was at once denied by D. Gungaraauze between whom and Akheraauze there had been ill feeling a quarrel arose and on 6th July 1821 Mr. Russell as Collector attached the entire Village acting on Regulation VII of 1817 as then explained by the Board of Revenue

5. D. Gungaraauze filed a suit No 10 of 1827 in the Ausiliary Court against the Collector for half the Village he stated that it had been granted to his father and uncle Akheraauze and quoted the Register of 1817 (Mr Russells) in support of his claim and for reasons best known to himself did not appeal to Mr Oakes Register, and he admitted D. Cunniahs title to a half share. The Collector however asserted the entry in Mr Russells Register was fraudulent and that the aggraharum was originally granted to the Pagoda as

Pagoda as accounts of Fusly 1203 would show.

6. On 12th February 1832 Mr C.P. Brown as Assistant Judge dismissed the suit remarking on the absence of any Summud or grant and here I would remark Mr Browns Judgment was judicious and of importance.

7. The case was appealed and the Zillah Court decreed against the Collector.

8. The Collector then entered a special appeal, and the Provincial Court ordered on 14th December 1840 a trial denovo to admit of D. Brummiah (Cunniahs father) joining D. Gungaraauze as Complainant but this Court distinctly confirmed the Zillah courts decision as far as it went.

9. D. Cunniah however declined to go to the expense of a law suit, pleading that if the Collector was ordered to give up half the Village, his claim to the other half was so undeniable that Government would surely restore it to him.

The

10. The Zillah Court therefore on 14th January, re attered its former decision and the Collector appealed to the Sudr Court. and in December 1848. the case was decided against him and D. Gungaraauze entered into possession of half the Village on 29th April 1850 after 33 years litigation and subsequently by a Summary Suit enforced his right to arrears &c.

11. D. Cunniah then commenced petitioning the Collector and Revenue Board but without any result save that he was told that he must produce an order of a Civil Court in proof of his right.—

12. On 30th April 1853 a ruling of the Court of Suda Adalut removed questions regarding this class of Enams entirely from a Civil Courts jurisdiction and in obedience to the Proceedings of the Board dated 15th August 1854 the

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Collector noticed D. Cunniah to appear and prove his claim otherwise / the Board are requested to mark this / the half Village would be made over to the Pagoda.—

13. He appeared and appealed to the facts already brought out and Established in the Courts of law. He admitted he was an infant when the Village was gifted in 1821.—

14. The Board will observe that all throughout, the Collector acted on behalf of the Pagoda and it is evident that as the Pagoda has been declared by the highest Civil Court to have no right to one half, it can have no right to the other for its alleged title to the whole Village as the gift of a man who never did nor could alienate the ancestral property of an undivided family. has been declared invalid.—

15. But in a Suit brought against the Collector by D. Gungaraauze D. Cunniah jointly regarding some other Manyem land the Court of Sudr Adalut. in its Special appeal Decree dated 15th

15th April 1852 pronounced that the Collector was right in repudiating Mr Russells Register and that the Documents which the opposite party relied on, were invalid - now these were the very same documents on which - D. Gungaramze's right to the half Village of Ulloor had been so succesfully maintained and apparently with the knowledge of this there has been an unwillingness to admit D. Cannials claim.

16 I am of opinion that D. Gungaramzes right has been directly admitted and it is right and proper to bow to the positive decision of the Sudr Court in his favor and not to recommence 36 years litigation It is unfortunate that Mr C. P. Browns remark on the absence of any Summd did not lead the Collector to abandon his position as guardian of the Pagoda and assume his proper position as representative of Government.

17. I see reasons to suspect the right of either Pagoda or the Dasoo family is inferior to the right of Government It seems strange why D. Gungaramze did not appeal to Mr Oakes Register which gave his ancestor a little esceptting that there exist accounts

accounts of an earlier date showing the Pagoda enjoyed the land and had the battle to be fought again I think D. Gungaramze would be defeated - but as the representatives of Government have for 30 years contented themselves with denying the Dasoo familys right because the Pagodas was the true one I cannot recommend that the matter should be re-opened - should any Commission ever issue to investigate the titles of Enam holders it would be a question whether the Dasoos familys title was good as against Government - Liberality towards its subjects require that the right of D. Cannial which is quite as good as D. Gungaramze be at once admitted -

18. I beg permission therefore to complete following arrangement with D Cannial -

Rs 806 On the part of Government I will make over to him the half of the Village and the balance of cash in hand he on his part grant me a receipt in full - The Board will observe from the annexed statement that he foregoes the escpences incurred by the Collector in resisting D. Gungrauzes claim - He consents to this arrangement and I trust it may meet the Boards approval - I beg to be pardoned for

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The Petition No 374 of 1853 received with the Commrs letter of 17th Novr 1853 as well as Petition No 17 of 1853 are hereunth returned.—

for soliciting an early reply as if D. Lemmeah is to get the land it should be made over to him before 1st July.—

Masulipatam
Collectors Cutcherry 11th May 1857 } /Signed/ T. I. Rhose
Acting Collector

Enclosure No 1.—

Statement of Sums in Deposit to the credit of Lemmiahs Half of the aggraharum calculated to the end of Fusly 1265

At the time of the Settlement of Vaddavole remaining to the credit of this half } Rs 304 " "

Then spent or sent to Court out of the amount belonging to this half on account of Courts Costs which sum properly speaking ought to have been borne by Government itself. } 330 3 3

634 10 6

Collections from Fusly 1260 to 1265 from the half 257 2 "

891 12 6

Collections For Vadaly Goomastah 177 8 3

" For Takarar Enams since decided as sary 107 14 "

" For arrears of Ryots 54 " 6

For Paditarum expences (none collected) 639 6 7

of which half 319 11 3

1211 7 9

Remainder due by Lemmiah arrears due by himself to Gungaraauze— Total Demand 107-14-3 Recovered 35-1-9 } 72 12 6

Remainder 1138 11 3.

Particulars.—

Balance in Cash 808 8 "

already spent but to be reimbursed by Government } 330 3 3 *

* Lemmiah now verbally agrees to forego thes— 1138-11-3

The Government has already borne its own cost of Conducting the suits which could not have been less than that of Gungaraauze or about Rs 330.——

Masulipatam
Collectors Cutcherry 11th May 1857 } /Signed/ T. I. Rhose
Acting Collector

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Bd No 21,33

Proceedings thereon

(666-661)

The Doubt raised by the Acting Collector in para 15 of his letter renders it necessary that the Board should have before them a Copy of the Decree of the Sudr Adalut in Special appeal 15th April 1852 and Copies of the entries in the Public accounts.—

Mr Rhose will be

be good enough to forward

these at an early date and

at the same time to explain

more fully the grounds on which

he considers that the Government

have a stronger title to the

land than either D. Cinniah

or the Trustees of the Pagoda

No. 128

To

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

662

B. No. 2634
From the Collector of
South Arcot

Sir

I have the honor to bring
to the notice of the Board of Revenue
that on the 16th of last April Nu.
Rungah Charloo completed a period of
20 years as Head Sheristadar of this
District and I beg to solicit the favor-
able recommendation of the Board for
his being allowed to draw from that
date the increased allowances, amounting
to 700 Rupees a month, agreeably to the
Scale Sanctioned by Government on
the 27th March 1820.

2 In submitting this pro-
posal I beg to add that Nu. Rungah
Charloo

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Charloo has shewn himself to be a highly efficient and valuable Public Servant since I became acquainted with him in 1854 and that I consider him fully entitled to the highest rate of Salary allowed to Head Sheristadars.

Paras 83 & 102

3 My Settlement Reports for Fasslies 1264 & 1265 contain the expression of the high estimation in which I regard the Services and character of Runga Charloo and I beg to refer the Board to my Predecessor's letter of the 1st May 1852 as an evidence of his good opinion of this Officer.

South Arcot Collector's Cutcherry Cuddalore 2d July 1857

[Signed] A. Hall Collector

Resolved

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B. No. 2442

Resolution thereon 662-663

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

2 The Board recommend that Runga Charloo may be permitted to draw the Maximum Salary of a Head Sheristadar viz. 700 Rupees per mensem from the date of his completing 20 years service in that grade.

3 The Board are glad to observe that this public Officer continues to maintain the high character for which he has been distinguished for a series of years.

No. 140

To

I. D. Sim Esquire
Secretary to the
Court of Wards
Fort St. George

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B. No. 2657

From the Collr of Madura

Sir

With reference to Extract Proceedings of the Court of Wards of the 12th June 1857, No. 2012, I have the honor to recommend that Dassya Iyngar appointed to officiate as Guardian to the Minor Zemindar of Shivagungah, may be confirmed in that appointment. He

proposes

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possesses a good Knowledge of the affairs of the Zemindary - is a Native of Shevagunga and is well qualified for it.

I recommend that the Salary drawn by the late Guardian may be granted to him.

Madura
July 1857 } (Signed) R. J. Sullivan
Ag. Collector

B. No 2438.
Proceedings thereon
(666-665)

In accordance with the recommendation of the Ag. Collector the Court of Wards sanction the appointment of Dasyya Iyengar as Guardian to the Minor Zemindar of Shevagunga. The Board learn from their Ag. Number that this Individual was in the service of the late zemindar and on the Establishment of the Guardian, and is intimately acquainted with the affairs of the Family.

2 Before determining the Amount of his Salary, the Court wish to know the amount of that drawn by the late Guardian and to whom it was fixed any correspondence which may have passed on the subject should be referred to marginally, and the Income enjoyed by Dasyya Iyengar should be stated.

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No. 103.

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

(666)
B. No 2798

From the acting Collector of Ganjam } Adverting to the Board's circular letter dated the 20th March last No 867

I have the honor to forward enclosed a statement shewing the Relief afforded to the people by a permanent Reduction of the taxes prepared according to the form furnished -

Ganjam District,
Coll's Cutcherry,
Chittapoor,
6th July 1857. } (Signed) W. Hinose,
Acting Collector

Statement

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No. 1.

Statement Shewing what permanent Relief from taxation has been afforded to the people during the last 15 years or from Fusly 1252 to Fusly 1266-

Name of tax	Nature of Item-	Year of abolition or reduction	Amount			Remarks
		Fusly	Rs	A	P	
Motursha	Tax on priests	1261	40	"	"	These were collected in Jagradah, but
	Tax on Shepherds	Do.	38	"	"	appearing objectionable & oppressive to the peo-
	Do on fishermen	Do.	10	"	"	ple, they were abolished under the sanction
	Tax on the sale of Dry fish	Do.	8	"	"	of the late Commissioner Mr Cotton at the
	Total		96	"	"	Acting Collector's Recommendation-
Extra Revenue	Tax on Cutting wood from the Colonjoojah Jungle and bringing	1262	113	"	"	
	Do Do Do from the Chundanee jungle	Do.	426	"	"	The taxes here enumerated & collected in Mohurry were abolished- it appearing
	Tax on cutting trees in the Mohurry Pyangoo and Tamarind sort	Do.	59	"	"	that they pressed hard upon the people-
	Total		598	"	"	
		1257	21,310	"	"	This was abolished by Government vide
Sea Customs	Duty upon articles imported from ports within the Territory of the Honorable Company	1256	1410	"	"	This was abolished according to the Cir- cular of the Board of Revenue dated 23rd Dec. 1856, issued with reference to the Section 18 of the Act No 6 of 1844-
	Half of the Tonnage Duty at one anna formerly levied upon the several Ports and Vessels	1257	1114	3	"	according to the Government order of 13th April 1847-
	Duty upon British goods exported & imported	Do.	32,171	"	"	As per Act No 6 of 1848-
	One fourth of the Duty upon every ton of the foreign and american Vessels	1261	63	6	"	as per order of the Board of Revenue of 10th July 1848-
		Total	33,688	9	"	
		Grand Total	55,692	9	"	

Ganjam 6th July 1857.

E E. J. (Signed) W. Thomas,

Acting Collector-

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(666/667)

Ordered that the following Memo be sent—

Bd Rec. 24th Inst.
To the Actg Secry to Government

Official Memo.

The Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to request that the accompanying statement may be embodied in Enclosure 7 of the Board's Administration Report dated the 7th Instant No. 2320—

I Ganjam 6th in Cant. 20th July 1857

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
20th July 1857

(Signed) I. D. Sim,
Actg Secretary.

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

(668)

Bd Rec. 2767
From the Collr of Chingleput

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith Copy of a letter from the Principal Sudder Ameen of Chingleput and Request sanction for the entertainment of the Establishment specified in the accompanying Statement of the management of the Moottahs of Tripassore therein adverted to during the period it may remain

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Remain under Sequestration—

Chingleput District Collectors Cutcherry Sydapet, 10th July 1857—

(Signed) C. I. Sherbrick, Collector.

Statement

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20th July 1857

Statement shewing the Mootah attached in satisfaction of the Decree of the Principal Sudr Ameen in Suit No. 16 of 1855 Zillah Chingleput

No. 1.

Names of the Zemindaries or estates	Names of the Zemindars or Proprietors	No. of Villages included in the Zemindary or estate	Permanent Jumma of the entire Zemindary or estate	Amount of the Court Decree &c.	Amount Collected	Balance	No. of Villages included in the portion attached	Actual or estimated Value of the Portion included in the attachment	Establishment proposed to be employed for attachment	Per centage of the establishment to the estimated value of the portion of the estates attached	Date of Attachment	Remarks
1st Pierrooparumboor J. Ouchterlony Esqre		2	2,549 8 9	5,034 1 7	" " "	5,034 1 7	2	2,549 8 9	1 Annual 1 Moosoorutf 2 Peons — 6 " "	1 9	9th July 1857	
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Chingleput District,
Collector's Cutcherry,
Sydapet, 10th July 1857.

(Signed) C. I. Shubrick,
Collector.

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No. 2

No. 90

To, C. I. Shubrick, Esqre

Collector.

Sir,

I have the honor herewith to forward to you Copy of the Injection No. 171 of 1857 presented by Vencatasawara Sastry Vakeel, on behalf of V. Seth Sam Esqre Plaintiff in cause No. 16 of 1855 and Request that for the Reasons therein specified you will be pleased to hold under attachment, the Pagodas Mittah and its produce until further Communication - this Court having on the 11th April 1857 decreed in the above suit that the aforementioned Mittah should be held Responsible for Rupees 1,611-3-5 and the Cost Rupees 119-11-2 which sums are to be paid to the Plaintiff by the 1st and 2d Defendants -

Chingleput -
Pl. Sudr. Amens Court
3d July 1857 - - -

(Signed) T. Raghiah,
Princ. Sudr. Amen

(True Copy)
(Signed) C. I. Shubrick,
Collector.

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Bd. No. 2436
Proceedings thereon
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The Board of Revenue sanction the employment of the Establishment enumerated in the Statement which accompanies the foregoing letter at an aggregate charge of Rupees 114-8-11 per Mensem for the management of the Pagodas Mittah attached in satisfaction of the Decree of the Principal Sudr Amens Court of Chingleput in Suit No. 16 of 1855 -

2 The proposed arrangement should be communicated to the Court -

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Bd. No. 2838 -
From the Collr. of Madras - -

No. 102

Memorandum

The Collector of Madras would be obliged by the acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue sending him for perusal the Report of the Board of Revenue in Calcutta received, it is believed, some 3 or 4 years ago, on the System and Management of the Abkarry Revenue in Calcutta -

(Signed) B. Cunliffe,
Collector.

Madras 15th July 1857 -

Ordered that the following Memorandum be sent in reply -

670-671
Bd. No. 2439
To the Collr. of Madras

Memo:

The Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to forward to the Collector of Madras a Copy of the Report of the Abkarry Revenue of Bengal for 1853/54 in Compliance with his Request Contained in official Memorandum under date 15th Instant -

Revenue Board office,
Fort St. George,
20th July 1857 - - -

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

To

11732. Fort St. George 20th July 1857.

No. 107.

To, I. D. Sim, Esqr.
Acting Secy. to the Board of Revenue.

Sir,

From the Collr. of Madras

672

B. R. No. 2849

In reply to Board's Circular 29th. Ultimo No. 2225, I have the honor to state that the subject of it is not to any extent applicable to the Circumstances of this Collectorate.

2. There are no Servants specially employed in the distribution of water though a fee of 4 annas per Cawnie is annually collected from certain Cawnadars of Saint Thomé for the irrigation of their lands and though Collected as "Rearcoly" is entered in the accounts under the head of Ground Rent.

3. There are but few Cawnes in this District and our accounts are so imperfect as not to separate them into "dry and wet" so that we cannot learn if any of the former have been converted into the latter and Consequently liable to a water Rate.

Madras, 17th July 1857.

(Signed) B. Cunliffe
Collector.

Order thereon—

672-673

Resolved

11733 Fort St. George 20th July 1857.

Resolved that the following letters be despatched.

To, The Acting Secretary to Government.

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Bd. No. 2848

To the Actg. Secretary to Government.

Sir,

The Board of Revenue having observed in the Gazette Extraordinary of July 18th 1857, the name of J. P. Cooke, 1st Lt. Corps Sub Overseer to be removed to the Gun Carriage Manufactory, request me to bring to your notice that in order to obtain accurate information of the revenue administration of the Collectorate of Madras, they appointed in 1854 Mr. Walker (then a Sub Overseer in the Department Public Works) and Mr. Cooke as his Assistant, to survey on a Scale of considerable accuracy, every enclosure and Tenement in the suburbs of the Town of Madras. The oversight of works was subsequently transferred from the Collector, to the Adjutant of the Corps of Engineers, and when the new Department Public Works was formed by the Mr. Walker and Mr.

Fort St. George, 20th July 1857.

Mr. Cooke were brought on the strength of that Department. His duty not yet completed is of a special nature entirely fiscal and undertaken expressly for the Board of Revenue. It would be a great convenience if the same parties who were appointed by the Board and who now thoroughly understand all the details required for the Revenue authorities, could be permitted to continue their labours, and Dawn desired to give quietly that you will have the goodness to obtain the permission of Government for Mr. Cooke to resume his duties, belonging as he does to the Corps of artificers he is never above a mile or two from the Head Quarters, should any emergency require him to join forthwith.—

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
20th July 1857.

I Signed I. D. Sim,
Acg Secretary.

Ordered

Fort St. George, 20th July 1857.

B. of R. No. 2447
Order thereon
675

Ordered that the following Endorsement be passed upon petition No. 1393 of 1857 and that the Acting Collector be requested to cause its delivery to the Petitioners in the manner required by Section III Regulation III of 1832.

"The Board reject this petition of appeal, and refer Petitioner to seek redress, if he thinks proper in the Court of Adalut."—

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To The Officiating Agent at Kurnool.

B. of R. No. 2435
To the Offg Agent at Kurnool.

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you that the undermentioned Report now due has not yet been received in this Office and to request that you will immediately cause its despatch.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
20th July 1857.

I Signed I. D. Sim,
Acting Secretary.

Report on Local Funds for the Official year ending 30th April 1857.—

Received

11736. Fort St. George 20th July 1857

676 A

My No. 1550 Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous letters and Statements.

From the Collector of Tinnevelly. Statement exhibiting the actual

677 charges incurred on account of additional Establish-

My No. 1557. ments employed in July 1856.

From the Acting Collector of Guntoor Reporting that there have

678 been no Revenue Defaulters in confinement during

My No. 1558 the last Quarter.

From the Collector of Salem. Reporting the non-submission

679 of certain Returns.

My No. 1559

From the Asst Collector of Nellore. Return of Village Officers sus-

680 pended or dismissed for May 1857.

My No. 1553

From the Collector of Rajahmundry Stating that the Statements of the

value of Gold and Silver Bullion and specie ex-

681 ported from and Imported into, this Haven, have been for-

My No. 1500 warded, there being no entry to be made.

From the Collector of Bellary. Statement of Demand Collection

682 and Balance of Revenue for June 1857.

My No. 1551

From the Collector of Nellore. Statement shewing the quantity of Salt

683 in Store available for exportation on the 30th June 1857.

My No. 1554

From the Collector of Madras. Statement shewing the quantity

684 of Salt in store available for exportation on the

My No. 1552 15th of July 1857.

From the Collector of Madras — Average Bazar

Prices of Grain for June 1857.

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