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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue,

Tuesday, 21st July 1857.

Read the following Papers.

No. 153.

To,

J. D. Sim, Esqre

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue,

Fort St. George.

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B. No. 2110

From the Collector of Chingleput.

Sir,

In reply to Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue No. 1801 of the 30th Ultimo, I have the honor to state that of the sum of Rupees 13,461 recommended for remission, Rupees 13,382 alone were excluded from the Summakhundy Statements, the remainder Rupees 79 having been brought to account as per particulars noted in the Margin.

Commissioner's Sheristadar's Summary.

Chingleput District,
Collector's Cutcherry,
Sydapet 2nd June 1857.

} I Signed C. A. Shubrick,
Collector.

B. No. 2452.

Proceedings thereon.

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In this letter dated 2 June 1857. the Collector states that of the sum of

of Rupees 13,441 recommended, for remission Rupees 13,362 alone were excluded from the Summahbundy Statements, that the remainder Rupees 79 comprising Cummis's Meriah Rupees 44, and Sevoy Summah Rupees 35, having been brought to account— But it will be seen from the Demand Collection and Balance sheet for September 1855 that the amount remitted is Rupees 13,397 which is composed of Tyottiwar Rupees 13,362, and Levoy Summah Rupees 35— The Collector is requested to explain how it happens that the Sevoy Summah amount, represented by him in his letter under reference, as having been brought to account, should be included in the Demand Collection and Balance Statements alluded to above as having been remitted. Further, while the difference between the Demand Collection

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and Balance sheets for Summahbundy 1857 and the Summahbundy Statements No. 11 for July 1765 is Rupees 13,397, explanation should be afforded as to the Cummum Meriah of Rupees 44, which increases the difference; and it should be stated under what head the collection of this item has been included.—

Read again Return from the Acting Collector of Tanjore dated 19th and entered in Miscellaneous Consultation 30th June 1857 of Serishtadars and of Takoildars of the District as they stood on the 1st May last.—

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Ba No 2454.

Proceedings thereon. Ho. Board observe that 17 of the 19 superior appointments in the Tanjore District are held by Brahmins— The Acting Collector's attention is requested to the Board's Circular Order 5th March 1855.—

Read.

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Read the following papers.

From
The Collector
of Madura.

No. 170.

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

Sir,

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Bd. No. 2459.

With reference to the correspondence noted in the margin I have the honor to report for the information of the Board of Revenue that the practice of the District is to impose a tax according to the classification of the land on all sheikal or arable waste land taken up for building purposes by all ryots.

I would recommend the same case for non-cultivating ryots only. For objection at the end of Para 5. of the letter under answer.

"Comparatively little advantage"
"would arise to Government unless all the land"

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"a Cultivum was redeemed."

Applies only to such sheikal lands as might be hereafter taken up by non-cultivators as at present all Pernmpoke land for building purposes is held rent free by all classes.

The levy of tax on non-cultivating ryots taking sheikal land for building would entail labour on the Government Officials, but not much as the proportion of non-cultivators is as yet very small.

Madura 20th June 1857.
Bd. No. 2430
Proceedings thereon.
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I Signed R. L. Sullivan,
Asst Collector.

Under the information contained in the foregoing letter, the Board resolve that the sheikal land in certain Villages in the Tenkurray Taluk granted for sites of Houses by the Extract Minutes of Consultation under date the 25th March 1857 No. 285, Revenue Department, shall be occupied free of tax by cultivating Ryots, but charged with the regular

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regular Seerwa when held by non-cultivating Ryots.

2. The general question whether occupants shall be allowed to redeem the Peishcush on sheikal land used for building sites, is now before the Government in relation to the Quit-rent levied for tiled ditch lands of the Town of Madura.

3. With reference to Para 3 of the Collector's letter the Board would observe that the intention of Para 3 of Mr. Parker's letter of the 27th March 1856, would seem to have been misconstrued in the Board's Proceedings of the 1st August 1856 Sides taken from sheikal lands being expressly mentioned by the Collector and the Board applying his observation to sites within the Nuttum area, which was stated by the Acting Collector in the letter now recorded to be held free by all classes.

In Constituent 1856.

No. 119.

To,

J. D. Sim, Esqre

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue,

Fort St. George.

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Bd. No. 2132.

Frowde Acting Collr. of Madurapatam } Para 1.

No. 2149

Sir,

In reply to Enclosure of Proceedings Board of Revenue 24th June 1857 regarding the Devercottah estate, I have the honor, with reference to para 1 to state that undoubtedly a subdivision of the estate could be effected, but it would be a laborious business occupying several months, for there are no sub-divisions existing, and the permanent accounts give no distinct information as to the Peishcush on each Village.

2. Moreover the Proprietor is deeply in debt, and cannot possibly manage the portion of estate that would remain to him, so as to do with it what he could not do with an entire estate and greater credit.

3. As regards the strength of the establishment, I nearly copied that appointed by Mr. Lushington under similar circumstances

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pur to previous occasions, and I can assure the Board that at this season, the collecting sums due by ryots is no easy job, the present establishment are fully taxed to collect money, and I am satisfied it is not an item the Proprietor himself objects to, for it is his interest that no effort should be spared to make the ryots pay up.—

4- I regret the Board's decision ordering me to reduce this charge, for I believe servants employed on such temporary occasions should receive even a higher rate of pay than when permanently appointed, and if the principle is good on which our own new rates of pay have been framed to purchase honesty, it should be applied also in the present case. The burden on the estate is very small. The Establishment proposed by and allowed to Mr. Cushington on former occasions, was 356 Rupees while I asked for 510, which included 2 Goomastahs, a Shroff, and Sweeper and Mashalgee not previously entertained, but which I considered necessary for an effective establishment,

and Rupees 510 a month is not an excessive sum for collecting the Peishcush, being under 5 per cent, while I may add, 10 per cent is the estimated future cost of collection in this District generally.—

5- I trust the Board will be pleased to allow the establishment to continue on its present pay, but I will warn all the employees if the Board's opinion and that from the 1st Proximo they must be prepared for a reduced rate of pay should the Board so order.— As regards para 8. I beg to refer the Board to their letter dated 25th December 1822 No 104 when the question regarding the Anottiputha remission, was settled.

Masulipatam— Collector & Cutcherry 27th June 1857.

/Signed/ T. K. Knox, Ag Collector.

83d No 2458

Proceedings thereon.

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Under the circumstances stated by the Acting Collector the Board of are prepared to authorize the sale of the entire

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entire estate of Devercottah.

The Acting Collector is requested to forward a revised advertisement showing in Column 7 the "amount exclusive of arrears payable for the current Fasly" i.e. the balance of Pistcash payable by the purchaser from the day of sale. The realization of the arrears is matter for adjustment between Government and the defaulter and is provided for by the sale of the property. The purchaser has no concern with this, but it is necessary for him to know what he will have to pay for the current year after receiving possession of the property.

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No. 120

To

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B. No. 2646

From the Acting Coll.r of Masulipatam -- } Sir

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

Para 1. In obedience to the instructions contained in extract Boards Proceedings 29th No. 1804 May 1857. I have the honor to report that I did on the Courts re-opening, make an application for a review of Judgment which has been rejected by the court. I enclose copy of my motion and the Courts' Proceedings.

2 The opposite party has appealed and the records of the case will be sent at once to Madras, in accordance with the mode of procedure laid down in Act 9 of 1853. the Sudr Court will give notice* of this appeal, and counting from the day the appeal reasons are filed, will allow 4 weeks for Government as respondent, to file an answer - when, according to my reading of this Act, Government may both reply to the appellants' objections to the lower Courts decree.

* According to Section V

decree and present their objections to parts of the decree not involved in the appeal, but the practice in these cases is no doubt familiar to Hr. Dale.—

Masulipatam Collector Cutcherry 29th June 1857.

(Signed) T. J. Rhose
Acting Collector

No. 1

To

The Civil Court
of Masulipatam

Motion for a review of judgment presented by Plaintiff in original Suit No. 103 of 1855 Civil Courts file.—

1 Plaintiff begs to move the Civil Court for a review of judgment because of two manifest omissions in the decree of the Civil Court by which Plaintiff thinks his case has suffered.—

2 The Plaintiff begs the Courts to observe that Plaintiff sued for the estate free of all encumbrances referring to original Suit No. 18 of 1838 and the second Point given by the Court to Plaintiff may be understood to allude to this original Suit quite as much as to the Regrenamah, and the important question as to the validity of the decree in O.S. No. 18 of 1838 has not been considered

considered at the in the Plaint the estate is sought for free of all encumbrances and the remarks of the Court are virtually declaratory of the untenable character of the claim preferred in 1838 and of the collusive nature of the Rajeenamah Decree in that Suit.—

3 Moreover the Court, of its own accord, has declared that necessity on the part of the widow to borrow money has not been shewn, and that not a single rupee of the original debt or mortgage bond had been paid.— The Plaintiff begs to observe that this necessity should have been proved by Defendant and, until it is so proved, the presumption that it never existed fairly belongs to Plaintiff.—

4 The Plaintiff being of opinion that the Court have overlooked that his plaint did sue for the estate free of all such encumbrances as were beyond the power of a life tenant to incur, and that the necessity which justifies any encumbrances

encumbrances has never been weighed on
prays the Court to admit his Petition
for a review of judgment.—

Masulipatam
Collectors Cutcherry
20th June 1857.—

/Signed/ T. J. Knox
Acting Collector

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

Extract from the Proceedings of the Civil Court
of Masulipatam dated 25th June 1857.—

Extra Petition No. 190 of 1857.—

T. J. Knox Esquire
Acting Collector of
Masulipatam Petitioner

Present
J. J. Cotton Esqr
Civil Judge

1 Read Extra Petition No. 190 of 1857 ex-
presented on the 22d Instant by C. Lutch-
=menarrinah, Pleader on behalf of T. J. Knox
Esquire, Acting Collector of Masulipatam
Plaintiff in Original Suit No. 103 of 1856
Civil Courts file, praying for a review of
the judgment passed in the Suit.—

Order of the Court 2 The Civil Judge remarks, with
reference to the 1st point urged by Petitioner,
that upon the very first perusal of the
plaint

plaint (370/103/1856) it appeared there were some
reasons for not suing directly and primarily
to set aside the decree in Original Suit
No. 18 of 1838 and also for the recovery of
Mesne profits on the property. This ca-
however it was no business of the Court
to investigate and the amount of institu-
=tion Fee tendered, confirmed the supposition.—

3 The application of Petitioner
(Plaintiff) in his Original plaint to be
placed in possession of the property sued
for free of encumbrance" was a mode of
expression too vague and loose to be ad-
=mitted while taking into consideration
the actual matter under litigation and
it appeared to the Court one which re-
=flected little credit on the Pleader who
drew out the case - for from the grounds
of the plaint and the line of argument
adopted in support, it left the
Defendant in full possession of all
the means (Sinews of war) to carry
on the Defence through the ablest
legal

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legal advice procurable.—

4 With reference to 2d. point urged
coo coo 5 It was no part for the Defence
as the case stood, to show that there had
been a necessity on the part of the late
Zemindarnee (widow) to borrow the money
&c. the ground of Suit No. 18 of 1838 which
had been definitely disposed of, in so
far as that Plaintiff and that Defen-
= dant were concerned under the legality
or validity of that Decree, was specially
called in question which was not done
done in the present Suit.—

6 Under all these circumstances
the Civil Judge considers the applica
= tion of the Petitioner for review of Judg-
= ment inadmissible and resolves ac-
therefore to reject the Petition—

(True Extract)
(Signed) J. A. Cotton
Civil Judge

(True Copy)
(Signed) T. J. Knox
Acting Collector

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No. 121

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

693.

Bd No. 2702
From the Collr of Masulipatam
No. 2205

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge Proceedings of the Board dated 26th June 1857.

2- My letter to the Board of yesterday's date, will, I trust, have given the Board all the information these Proceedings require—

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3. I trust I have drawn up my motion for a Review of Judgment in accordance with the Board's review—The Board will observe I relied somewhat on the view of the Court as shewn in the 2d point given for the Plaintiff to prove—

As to my adopting measures to institute an appeal, I pray the Board to refer to act 9 of 1855 under which I consider our appeal Reasons on joint to not questioned by the appellant can be entered at the time when in our character as Respondents we appeal before the Sudr Court—

Masulipatam,
Collrs Cutcherry
1st July 1857.

(Signed) T. J. Knox,
Acting Collr

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Bd's Proc.s 21.7.57

Proceedings thereon:-

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In the first of the letters above recorded the Acting Collector reported that he had in conformity with the instructions conveyed in the Board's Proceedings dated 29th May preceding applied to the Civil Court for a review of its judgment in the Suit Regarding the Vissinapilly Mostah and that the Court had rejected the application-

2d That when this letter was despatched the Acting Collector had evidently not received the orders of Government in Cooctah Inamdar Consultation dated 9th Ult.o 638 R. of Last 26th June 1857

D. directing him in the event of the Civil Judge refusing to grant the Review to adopt immediate measures for instituting an appeal before the Sudr Court-

3. That orders honored Reached Mr. Thomas on the following days and in the 2d of the foregoing letters he acknowledges them and expresses his opinion that under Clause 3, Section V, Act IX of 1853 Government can, in replying to the appeal which the opposite party has already instituted, object to such parts of the original decision not involved in the appeal as they take exception to, and be

seems to consider that this will sufficiently meet the object of Government. It does not appear to have occurred to the Acting Collector that the appellant may not proceed with his appeal & that the opportunity of stating their objections may never be afforded to Government who may from lapse of time also, forfeit the privilege of appealing independent of the proceeding of the opposite party. This however is a question for the consideration of the Government & Conclusion with which the Conduct of the case now rests-

Resolved

that Mr. Thomas's letter be forwarded to Government and also to Mr. Dale and the Acting Collector

Read again Return from the Acting Collector of Guntoor dated 30th June & entered in Inamdar Consultation 4th July 1857 of Sheristadars and Tahsildars as they stood on the 1st May last-

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Bd's Proceedings thereon-

The Board remark that with 2 exceptions all the important offices entered in this statement are held by Brahmins-

Vide C.O.B. Vol: 4 Page 19.

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No. 59

To, I. D. Sim, Esqre
Actg. Secry. to the Board of Revenue,
Fort St. George.

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Bd's Rec. 2782

From the Actg. Collr. of Canara — Sir, With Reference to Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue under date the 30th June last, I have the honor to state that the official designation of Senabob is Shanbogue of Tiniay Parish, in the Soopah Taloork.

No. 2235

Collector's Cutcherry, Mangalore, 8th July 1857. (Signed) I. D. Robinson, Acting Collr.

696-697

Order thereon — Ordered to be Recorded.

No. 139

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

698

Bd's Rec. 2875

From the Collr. of South Arcot — Sir, I have the honor to Report that the permission, to be absent from my duty for one Month, granted to me by Government under date the 9th ultimo may be Cancelled at my own request. Circumstances not allowing me to avail myself of it.

South Arcot, Collr's Cutcherry, Cuddalore, 16th July 1857. (Signed) Arthur Hall, Collector

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Bd's Rec. 2455

Order thereon. Ordered that the above letter be laid before Government.

698-699

No. 111

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

700

Bd's Rec. 2879

From the Actg. Collr. of Tanjore — Sir, With Reference to the Circular from your office dated the 30th of March last No. 962, I have the honor to forward herewith a List containing the names of places situated within this District at a distance as nearly as possible of 30 miles on each line of departure from each of the Salt Cotaurs.

2. The Villages in the adjoining Districts of South Arcot and Madura and in the Tondiman's Territory, I am unable to give as I have not the necessary Maps, but the Board will doubtless have the means of causing the omission to be supplied.

3. Adverting to the 6th paragraph of the Circular under reply, I beg to state that the important Towns named in the margin are in close proximity to many of the Cotaurs. Where the Eastern Coast Canal

Trangueber
Nagore
Negapatam
Shealy
Tripetoray
Pattucottah

Canal is Completed and opened for navi=gation it will doubtless afford facilities for transporting Salt from the places of manufacture to neighbouring Towns on the Coast where it is proposed to establish Depôts for Home and Inland sales, but the Risk of frauds and the expence incident to such a plan deserve Consideration=

4th The detentions, annoyances and molestations to which the Inland Trader will still be subjected within the pre=scribed limit of 30 miles the relaxation of the Rule which must of necessity be allowed during the Monsoon, and in Case of accidents and other special Circumstances, the discretion which such Relaxation necessarily implies, the room which will thus be afforded to the subordinate Talook Servants for petty exactions, the impossibility pointed out by the Board themselves in Cases where there are large Towns in the neighbourhood of the Colaury of adhering to the limit fixed as that within which Romannahs are to be current and

and the Consequent necessity of restricting the Sales at such Cotaurs, and establishing special Depôts away from the places of manufacture which will I fear Considerably increase the Chances of Smuggling—all these seem to me, if I may venture an opinion, to be strong Reasons against the proposed change of System—In Tanjore at least so far as I am aware, no great inconvenience is found to arise from the existing Rules in Regard to Romannahs—if indeed the Romannah System can, under any modifications, be held to operate as a Check upon Smuggling, which I doubt—

Tanjore, Collr's office 16th July 1857—

(Signed) H. D. Phillips, Actg Collector

700. 701 Orders thereon

Ordered to lie over—

Resolved that the following Circulars be despatched—

Circulars—

702

Bd's Proc. 21st July 1857 No. 2446

To the Collrs of all Districts & Madras

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you that under the new System of Monthly audit it will not be necessary hereafter to transmit

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transmit to this office annual statements of charges incurred under and without Estimate in the Revenue and Magisterial Departments of your District—

Revenue Board office,
Fort St. George,
21st July 1857.

(Signed) L. Forbes,
Ag. Sub Secy.

Received the undermentioned

703
Mys. No. 1565 Miscellaneous letters and Statements—

From the Ag. Collector of Ganjam — Return of fines imposed and stoppages made from the pay of Public Servants during the Quarter Ending 30th June 1857—

Mys. No. 1564

From the Collector of North Arcot — 704 — States that no Revenue defaulters were Confined in Jail during the 2d Quarter Ending 30th June 1857—

List

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Mys. No. 1561

From the Ag. Collector of Nellore — 705. — List of letters addressed to the Board and Remaining unanswered to 30th June 1857—

Mys. No. 1560

From the Ag. Collector of Nellore — 706 — List of letters Received from the Board and Remaining unanswered to 30th June 1857—

707
Mys. No. 1563

From the Collector of North Arcot — States that no persons were in Confinement under Regulation IX of 1822 during the last Month—

708
Mys. No. 1562

From the Collector of North Arcot — Average Bazar Prices of Grain for June 1857—

709
Mys. No. 1568

From the Ag. Collector of Ganjam — Rain Report for

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Mf. No. 1567

for June 1857-

From the Collector of Nellore- Rain Report

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Mf. No. 1566

for June 1857-

From the Collector of Tinnevelly- Rain Report

712

Mf. No. 1569

for June 1857-

From the Ag. Collectors of Ganjam — Account Current

713

Mf. No. 1570

of Salt for June 1857-

From the Ag. Collectors of Tanjore — Account Current of

Salt for June 1857-

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Wednesday the 22d July 1857.

Read the following Papers

714

Bd's No. 1915

From the Secretary to Government

No. 588

Esctract from the Minutes of consultation Public Department under date the 9th May 1857.-

Forwards 40 Copies of a Pamphlet by Mr W. H. Bayley on the subject of a uniform System of Weights and measures for the whole of the British Territories in India, and, in view to obtain a full discussion of the important questions on which he has treated, and to elicit useful suggestions, desire that a copy of the treatise be furnished to any bodies or individuals likely to take an interest in the subject, and that the result be duly reported to the Court.-

/ Here enter 11th March No. 24 of 1857.-

Resolved that copies of this Despatch and of its enclosure together with copies of Mr Bayley's Pamphlet, be forwarded to the Board of Revenue for their own consideration and distribution to such Collectors as are likely to take an interest in the Subject. The Board will submit their views with those of the officers whom they have consulted at an early date.-

2. Copies of the Despatch and Pamphlet will be also forwarded to the chamber of Commerce the H. Co's Astronomer, the chief Engineer, Consulting Engineer for Railways and Commissary General with request that they will after giving the Subject careful Consideration favour Government with their opinion on the question treated.-

/ signed / E. Maltby
Acting Chief Secretary
Member absent

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Bd's No. 2556.
From the Deputy Secretary to Government

715

Memorandum

The undersigned has the honor to forward to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue the copies of Mr W. H. Bayley's Pamphlet on weights and measures applied for, in his Memorandum of the 19th Instant No. 2111, and to state that no printed copies of the Honorable Court's Despatch No. 23 of 1857 can be spared and that the documents alluded to in the concluding portion of the Memorandum in question have been forwarded only to the parties noted at the foot of the printed Extract Minutes of Consultation No. 588.

Fort St. George
27th June 1857

/Signed/ D. F. Carmichael,
Deputy Secretary to Govt

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Bd's No. 2529
Circular

Ordered that the following Circular be sent.

Circular

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to forward to you herewith a printed copy of the Correspondence noted in the margin with a Pamphlet by Mr Bayley on the subject of an uniform System of weight and measures for the whole of the British Territories in India.

Honorable Court's Despatch 11th Nov. 1857 with 2 Enclosures
Extract Minutes Cons. 9th May 1857 No. 588
Salems 22d July 1857 915.

CR

The

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are anxious to receive the opinion of persons conversant with it in order that the question may be fully considered in all its bearings. They will esteem it a favor if you will oblige them with any observations that may occur to you in connection with the Subject.

Rec'd Bd's Office Fort St George 22d July 1857

/Signed/ J. D. Sim,
Dy Secretary

To F. Newell Esqre Guntoor
" G. N. Taylor Esqre Nellore
" C. Pelly Esqre Bellary
" W. Robinson Esqre Malabar
" W. J. D. Robinson Esqre Canara
" A. F. Hall Esqre South Arcot
" B. C. Phillips Esqre Tanjore
" F. Maltby Esqre Commr Hyderabad assigned Districts
" W. E. Underwood Esqre Sea Custom Madras
" B. Campbell Esqre Madras
" H. A. Brett Esqre Salem
Lt. Genl W. Cullen, Resident at Travancore & Cochin
Lt. " Sir A. Cubbon K.C.B. Commr of Mysore and Coorg
Dr G. Smith Esqre M. D. Surgeon and Supt of the Med. School of the Trade association Madras
Colonel

Colonel A. Cotton Madras, Commandant of Engineers

Lieutt Colonel F. C Cotton, Madras Mint Master

Major J. H. Bell, Calcutta Mint Master

R. G. Frank Esqre Madras

Cooniah Chetty Madras

Captn Thuillier Surveyor General

F. J. B. Priestly, Supte S. R. Survey

J. L. Prendergast Madras

Coln Reid C. B. 2d Master Genl of the Army

Major F. A. Fenning Agent and Manager Madras Railway

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Bd No. 2705

From Actg Secy to Government

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

Concurring in the Board's view that Solasinga Chetty Head Sheristadar of North Arcot can under the orders of Government 4th March 57 be allowed to count as Service entitling him to an increase of Salary the period of his employment as County Sheristadar of South Arcot

See No. 689 in Separate Volume Page 788

Order

Bd No. 2454

Order thereon (717-718)

Ordered to be Communicated to the Collector of North Arcot for his information and for Communication to Solasinga Chetty.

Bd No. 2790

From the Actg Secy to Govt.

(719)

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 11th July 1857.

Sanctioning Rs. 152-13-7 the Cost of 18 Salt Mereals Constructed for the use of the Tinnivelly District

See No. 693 in Separate Volume Page 789.

(719-720)

Bd No. 2461

Order thereon

Ordered be Communicated to the Collector.

Bd No. 2809

From the Actg Secy to Govt.

(721)

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 13th July 1857.

Sanctioning the disbursement of Rs. 750 for the construction of a new well in lieu of the tank belonging to the Roman Catholic Mission at St Thomas' Mount recently filled up under the orders of the Officer commanding that Station

See No. 696 in Separate Volume Page 790 Order

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Bd No. 2463

Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Collr for his information and guidance.

Bd No. 2843

From the Sy. to Govt.

723

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 15th July 1857

Stating with reference to the Supt. of Police of St. Thomas' Mount having demanded Security for good conduct from two Notary Renters within that Jurisdiction that the orders on the subject contained in C. L. C. of 12th June last are to be followed in all particulars

See No. 712 in separate Volume Page 791

723-724

Bd No. 2462

Order thereon

Ordered to be forwarded to the Collr of Madras with Copy of the Bd's Proc.

Bd No. 2891

From the Sy. to Govt.

725

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 18th July 1857

Communicating a letter from the Govt Pleader and requesting the Bd to furnish him with Copies of the pleadings &c.

See No. 723 in separate Volume Page 792

725-726

Bd No. 2470

Order thereon

Ordered that the Papers noted in the Margin be forwarded to the Govt Pleader and he be informed that the Ag. Collr of Vasulipatam has been requested to furnish him with the other papers he requires.

From Collr 27th March
3 Encls enclosg 30th April
Pro to Govt 7th April 1856
From Govt 25th April
in No. Cons 5th May
No. 400 R. D.

Ordered also that a Copy of the above C. L. C. be sent to Mr Knox with a request to dispatch to Mr Dale, Translates of the Documents filed in the O.S. and the evidence taken in that suit.

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No. 11

To

J. D. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

727

Bd No. 561

From the Acting Collector of Malabar

Sir,

Para 1. With reference to the Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date 6th September.

I have the honor to submit the following informations

The Bungalow at Collongode is an old native

Collongode 2

Cutcherry situate in a native fort of small size it cost little or nothing to build many many years ago. and to Government would not of course be willing to part with the old fort, the old material of the Public Bungalow would realize little or nothing, while poor as the Shelter is, I can speak from Experience of its usefulness especially at a time when in Connexion with the Collongode and annamalay Forest works so many Overseers, Writers and others of a class which cannot put up elsewhere and cannot afford to carry tents passing to and fro through Collongode

I consider most useful places of Shelter

Cherpulcherry 3
Arigady pooram
Mungerry

of a very poor discription it is true, but sufficient for the purpose of health - They are on the useful 2d class

class line of road from Palghat to Calicut and
ariacode angady poorom is on the new Moondoor
Manarghat and Calicut line, and I shall be most
sorry to see these useful halting places which are
maintained at a very trifling cost abandoned or sold
This line of road will shortly need Pucka Bungalows
Mungerry and angady poorom have proved most
useful as head quarters for European Officers
and Soldiers on each occasion of the Mopla Out-
breaks in those neighbourhoods. Connected with
the Railway and Department of Public Works
there are a number of persons to whom these
places of shelter prove from time to time, most
useful and acceptable.

Tamber cherry and Kulpetta

4. Tamber cherry and Kulpetta are in Wynaad
on the line to Manantoddy via Tamber cherry
Ghaut. This is one of the parts of Wynaad which is
being most fully settled by Coffee Planters. The
Sheds called Bungalows, scarcely deserve such
a name and they are no doubt not used by
the higher class of Planters and Passengers
but they are most useful if not indispensable
to a class who cannot go to the estates and the
object that should be kept in view is that feverish
cold

cold and very ill peopled country is to increase
rather than diminish the number of places
where a halt may be safely made. If
we sell these houses of rest for which 10
Rupees would not be realized, there would
not be a place in which to pass the night
between Tamber cherry and Manantoddy, about
50 miles through feverish and ill
peopled country.—

Nellamboor and Banyat the top of the Carr coorpass.

5. The same remarks apply with
almost more force to both these
Bungalows. The Country being quite
uninhabited and proverbially unhealthy.—

Payoly.

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Payoly 6. Payoly Bungalow might be

sold but it would realize little

or nothing. I should deprecate it

warrant Officers writers &c find

shelter and a cover for the night

there.—

7. None of these rest houses have

any Establishment allowed them. I would

strongly recommend that they be main-

tained.—

Calicut
29th January 1857

/Signed/ W. Robinson
Acting Collector

Order

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B/d No 2472.
Order thereon (727-728)

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

11th June 1856 2 In their review of the reports submitted by the several Collectors regarding the condition of The Travellers' Bungalows within their Districts during Fasly 1265, the Board with reference to the recommendation of the then Collector Mr. Conolly requested the sanction of Government for the sale of nine Bungalows in the Malabar District.-

6th September in Cons 25th Nov 1856 No 95 RD 3 The Government were however unwilling to accede their sanction without fuller information, and requested that the opinion of the present Acting Collector upon the advisability of the Measures proposed might be obtained.

4 Mr. Robinson meets this requisition in the letter placed at the head of these Proceedings, and affords information in detail regarding the utility or otherwise of the Bungalows referred to.

5 The principle reasons assigned by Mr. Robinson for wishing to retain

these

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these buildings are, that the materials if sold now, would realize little or = nothing, that the charges for keeping them up are very trifling, and that the buildings, poor as they are as regards accommodation, are of the greatest advantage to all classes of Travellers more particularly to the lower Subordinates in the Public Works and Railway depart= =ments.

6. It is also remarked that the feverish and unhealthy character of some of the localities, Wynaad for example, and the paucity of in= =habitants afford a forcible argument for the retention of the only places at present available for the purposes of

7. In these views the Board entirely concur and considering the trifling pecuniary advantage which would result from their sale, and the fact that the Government are put to no expence in keeping up establishments at these places, they strongly recommended that the

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rest houses be allowed to stand

8th 36.

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

(729)

Rs. 8th 1175
From the Collr
of Rajahmundry

Sir,

With reference to the Endorse= =ment of the Board of Revenue dated 8th Instant on Petition No. 3185 of 1856 presented to Government by one Paummutcha Seetaramraz of Aulamoor in the Taluk of Pamorboo I have the honor to report that the circum= =stances alluded to in the Petition in question have been fully enquired into and reported on to the Board in my letter of the 31st August last. The orders of the Board of Revenue are dated 7th October 1856.

now returned

Rajahmundry District
Collectors Office
Cocanada 23d March 1857

(Signed) A. Purvis
Collector

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Bd No 2468.

Proceedings thereon — 1. The Claim which forms
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* Herewith returned

the Subject of petition No 3105/1856 * referred to
the Board by endorsement dated 10th February
From Rajahmundry 30th August & Cons 7th October 1856 & 6. 7th October 1856
for report, was fully enquired into and
deposed of by the Board in 1856.

2 It was found that the Land
claimed had been entered in the accounts as
Seroofy ever since fasly 1214 and the Petitioner's
assertion that his family had enjoyed
them up to fasly 1251 was not true

3. The Claim was
therefore disallowed. —

To

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No 81.

To

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

Sir,

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Rd 6th 1857
From the Collr of Tanjore.
* 6th July 1857
* Govt Ors No 3 of 1857
Board's No 14
Herewith returned.

With reference to the Board's endorsement on the accompanying Petitions to Government, I have the honor to state that as the petitioner has entered into a compromise with his brother has recovered the ground for which he wished to sue, and given a written declaration before the Tapildar of Combaconum to the effect, that he does not now need the permission of Government to commence an action in the Court, I have not thought it necessary to institute any enquiry regarding the description and tenure of the Land in question

Tanjore —
22d May 1857. }

/ Signed / F. C. Phillips
Acting Collector

Encls No 1 Petition

1177.8.

Bd No 2469

Order thereon

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Ordered that the foregoing letter be laid before Government with reference to the Endorsement dated 21st January 1857.

2. As it appears that the Petitioner has arranged the matter amicably and recovered the land, in respect of which he sought permission to sue, no further notice is required.

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No 92.

To

J. D. Sim, Esqre

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue,

Fort St George.

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Bd No 2294.

From the Actg Collector of Malabar - - -

Sir,

I have the honor to submit reports of the Salt transactions of the two Quarters ending with 1st October 1856 to 31st March 1857.

2. I regret the oversight which has occurred in regard to the preparation of these Statements. —

3. So much correspondence has occurred on the subject of Salt of late, that no remark seems requisite. The enhancement of the price by a sum amounting to about 16% on the value of the

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the article accounts sufficiently for the falling off in sales and the increased smuggling along the Cochin frontiers- The introduction of weighment instead of measurement has likewise effected the interest of the consumer to the extent of about 15% of the quntity formerly obtained under the name of an Indian maund- It is believed that the inland exporters have resorted to Mangalore where weighment has not been introduced —

4. The indigenous manufacture of Salt has commenced with fair prospects of success next year (Salt Pans were opened at the spots indicated in the margin, and pans covering the area shown were formed) but many difficulties have attended the opening of new pans and introduction of a new system and some disappointment in the sanguine expectation entertained at first has been the result- Sufficient Salt however was produced to

	Area in Acres
Cartenaad	376
Coorumbranaad	179
Calicut	69
Shirnaad	334
Betutnaad	564
	1522

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to justify confidence of the ultimate success.—

5. As the improbability of any large quantity of indigenous Salt being produced this year became clear the imports on private account slightly increased as shewn in the annexed Statement.—

Imports on private account ---

	Maunds.
Cannanore	18145
Calicut	9941
Ponany	7635
Total	35721.

Calicut 8th June 1857 }

/Signed/ W. Robinson
Acting Collector.

Quarterly.

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Fort St George

No 1

Quarterly Statement of the Quantity and value of salt sold in the District of Malabar from October to December 1855 and Octr to Decr 1856.

	Rate per Maund	From October to December 1855 Quantity		value			From October to December 1856 Quantity		value		
		Mds	S	Rs	A	P	Mds	S	Rs	A	P
For Home Consumption	1 4 "	"	"	"	"	"	11804	"	14755	"	"
	1 2 6	"	"	"	"	"	42519	"	49162	9	6
	1 " "	59032	"	59032	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
	" 13 9	5039	"	4330	6	3	"	"	"	"	"
	" 12 "	2360	"	1770	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
	" 9 2	907	"	519	10	2	"	"	"	"	"
Total		67338	"	65652	"	5	54323	"	63917	9	6
Inland Do	1 2 6	"	"	"	"	"	23453	"	27117	8	6
	1 " "	34248	"	34248	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
	" " "	500	"	116	10	8	1500	"	1744	1	4
Total		34748	"	34364	10	8	24953	"	27294	9	10
Grand Total		102086	"	100016	11	1	79276	"	91328	14	"

	Quantity sold up to December 1855	Quantity sold up to December 1856	Increase	Decrease
For exportation to Mysore	15282 "	18372 "	3090 "	" "
Coorg	434 "	342 "	" "	92 "
Coimbatore	18532 "	4739 "	" "	13793 "
French Settlement Mahé	500 "	1500 "	1000 "	" "
Total	34748 "	24953 "	4090 "	13885 "
Net Decrease				9795 "

	Increase Quantity		value			Decrease Quantity		value		
	Mds	S	Rs	A	P	Mds	S	Rs	A	P
	11804	"	14755	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
	42519	"	49162	9	6	"	"	"	"	"
	"	"	"	"	"	59032	"	59032	"	"
	"	"	"	"	"	5039	"	4330	6	3
	"	"	"	"	"	2360	"	1770	"	"
	"	"	"	"	"	907	"	519	10	2
	54323	"	63917	9	6	67338	"	65652	"	5
	Net Decrease					13015	"	1734	6	11
	23453	"	27117	8	6	"	"	"	"	"
	"	"	"	"	"	34248	"	34248	"	"
	1000	"	177	1	4	"	"	"	"	"
	24453	"	27294	9	10	34248	"	34248	"	"
	Net Decrease					9795	"	6953	6	2
						22810	"	8687	13	1

	1855	1856	Increase	Decrease
Balance on the 1st October	168368 16	94905 "	" "	73463 16
Receipts from October to December	119656 "	176408 "	56752 "	" "
Total	288024 16	271313 "	" "	16711 16
Sold from October to December	102086 "	79276 "	" "	22810 "
Balances on the 1st January	185938 16	192037 "	6098 24	" "

Calicut
8th June 1857.

(Signed) W. Robinson
Acting Collector.

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No. 2

Quarterly Statement of the Quantity and value of Salt sold in the District of Malabar from January to March 1856 & January to March 1857.

	Rate per Maund	From January to March 1856 Quantity	From January to March 1856 value	From January to March 1857 Quantity	From January to March 1857 value	Increase Quantity	Increase value	Decrease Quantity	Decrease value
		mds S	Rs A P	mds S	Rs A P	mds S	Rs A P	mds S	Rs A P
For Home Consumption	1 4 "	" "	" " "	8,211 "	10,263 12 "	" "	" " "	" "	" " "
	1 2 6	" "	" " "	32,134 "	37,154 15 "	" "	" " "	" "	" " "
	1 " "	55,799 "	55,799 " "	" "	" " "	" "	" " "	55,799 "	55,799 " "
	" 12 "	3,344 "	2,508 " "	1 9	" " "	" "	" " "	3,339 31	2,504 13 3
		59,143 "	58,307 " "	40,349 9	47,421 13 9	40,345 "	47,418 11 "	59,138 31	58,303 13 3
							Net Decrease	18,793 31	10,885 2 3
Inland Do.	1 2 6	" "	" " "	27,812 "	32,157 10 "	" "	" " "	" "	" " "
	1 " "	7,596 "	7,596 " "	" "	" " "	" "	" " "	7,596 "	7,596 " "
	" 8 "	16 "	8 " "	" "	" " "	" "	" " "	16 "	8 " "
	" " "	1,000 "	233 5 4	720 "	180 " "	" "	" " "	280 "	53 5 4
Total		72,612 "	71,837 5 4	28,532 "	32,337 10 "	27,812 "	32,157 10 "	7,892 "	7,657 5 4
							Net Decrease	44,080 "	39,499 11 4
Grand Total		1,31,755 "	1,30,144 5 4	68,881 9	79,759 7 9	" "	" " "	62,873 31	50,384 13 7

	Quantity sold up to March 1856	Quantity Sold up to March 1857	Increase	Decrease
For exportation to Mysore	37,719 "	10,620 "	" "	27,099 "
Coorg	6,390 "	1,622 "	" "	4,768 "
Coimbatore	27,503 "	15,570 "	" "	11,933 "
French Settlement Mahé	1,000 "	720 "	" "	280 "
Total	72,612 "	28,532 "	" "	44,080 "

	1856	1857	Increase	Decrease
Balance on the 1st January	185,938 16	192,037 "	6,098 24 "	" "
Receipts from January to March	270,477 "	92,074 9 "	" "	178,402 31
Total	456,415 16	284,111 9 "	" "	172,304 7
Sold from January to March	131,755 "	68,881 9 "	" "	62,873 31
Balance on the 1st April	324,660 16	215,230 " "	" "	109,430 16

Calicut 8th June 1857. E. E. Fr. (Signed) W. Robinson.
Acting Collector.

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Bd No 2488.
733-734

Reviewing the Reports of the Coll.r of Malabar on the Salt transactions of his District for the two quarters ending 31st Dec.r 1856 and 31st March 1857.

Resolution thereon. — Resolved that the foregoing letter and its accompaniments be submitted to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council. — —

2. The following is an abstract of the accounts of the 2 Quarters.

4th Quarter of 1856.

		Rs.
Balance at commencement of Quarter		94,905
Receipts during the Quarter		176,408
		271,313
Sold for Home consumption	54323	
" for Inland consumption	24953	79,276
Remaining at end of the Quarter		192,037

1st Quarter of 1857

Balance at commencement of Quarter		192,037
Receipt during the Quarter		92,074
		284,111
Sold for Home consumption	28532	
" for Inland consumption	28532	68,881
Remaining at end of the Quarter		215,230

3. The falling off in the Sales as compared with those in the corresponding Quarters of the previous years have been very large. The Acting Collector states that the recent enhancement of the price by about 16 p.c and increased Smuggling along the Cochin Frontier sufficiently accounts for this result. The change from measuring to weighing which causes a further loss to the consumer of about 15 p.c as already reported has also he observes, affected the sales to some extent, and it is thought that the Inland Merchants now resort to Mangalore where the article is still sold by measurement.

4. The quantity of Salt in store at the end of the last Quarter reported on, viz 215230 Indian Maunds is considered adequate to meet the demands for several Months.

5. The Acting Collector sees a fair prospect of the ultimate success of the measures adopted to re-establish the indigenous manufacture, 1522 acres have already been laid out as pans.

6. The imports on private account are shewn to be as follows.

	In Mds.
At Cananore	18165
" Calicut	9941
" Ponany	7665
	35771

+ Decrease In Mds.
4th Q.r 1855 — 22810.
1st Q.r 1856 — 62393.

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No 124

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

735

Bd No 2465
From the Coll.r of North Arcot

Sir.

I have the honor to forward with my counter signature two Estimates received from the District Engineer of North Arcot one for repairing the Salook Cutcherry at Vellore and rebuilding its record room and the other for rebuilding the Sunnah Chaultry at Pullicondah amounting to Rupees 720 and 380 respectively and to request that Sanction may be obtained for those Estimates.

North Arcot
Collector's Cutcherry
Chittore 22d June 1857

/Signed/ C. Whittinghame
Collector

Bd No 2459

Resolution thereon.

735-736

Resolved that the above letter and Enclosures be forwarded to the Chief Engineer Department of Public Works.

These Estimates amounting in all to Rupees (1100) eleven hundred and were framed by the District Engineer on a proper representation

representation of the Tahsildar of Vellore that the record room of his Cutcherry was leaky and the Cutcherry at Pullicondah in an unsafe state.

3 From the Report of the Assistant Engineer it appears that the Chowltry is in such a bad condition that it cannot be satisfactorily repaired even at a great expense and he therefore proposes to rebuild it at a cost of Rupees 380. The Board are not in a position from the absence of a plan to recommend that this Estimate be sanctioned. The Prisoners room is said to form part of the Verandah which is only 4-9 feet broad. The Collector is requested to procure and forward a plan of the building that the Board may judge how far it is suited for the purpose in view.

4 The Board recommend that the Salem Cutcherry may be repaired the Estimate for 2 new record rooms being deferred until a plan of them is submitted.

N. 80

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

737

Bd N. 2618
From the Coll.r
of Trichinopoly

Sir.

I do myself the honor to acknowledge

the receipt of Extract from Proceedings of the Board N. 2221 dated the 25th Ultimo.

2 With reference to para 6 I must state that since the receipt of Extract Minutes of consultation N. 839 Public Works Department under date the 1st of May 1857 transmitted with Circular N. 6 of 1857/58 from the Chief Engineer all Establishments, whether local or General, connected with irrigation and the management of hydraulic works have been transferred and made over by me to the sole authority of the District Engineer.

3 Not a single Channel head in the District is now under my control and of consequence following this precedent and these orders quoted above, the management of the new Pownny Channel must be with the Officers of Department of Public Works.

Trichinopoly
Collectors Office
1st July 1857

/Signed/ J. Bird
Collector

Bd N. 2458
Order thereon.

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Ordered that Copy of the foregoing

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foregoing letter be furnished to the Chief Engineer's Department Public Works with reference to the Board's Proceedings of the 25th Ultimo and with the Board's opinion that the charge of the Pennery Channel should be with the Department Public works.

No 95

To J. D. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St Georges.

(739)

B2 No 2647 Sir

From the Co Dr of Madras

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extract Board's Proceedings dated 26th June 1857 respecting Messrs Cammuadei's application to be allowed the 5% discount on the full heap of 1200 Indian Maunds and to state that in accordance with the Board's directions Messrs Cammuadei's account in regard to the damaged heaps has been settled by their receiving only the usual discount allowed in taking Salt by the heap.

Requesting permission to sell off certain damaged salt heaps on the Dungbill wholesale at reduced rate in abatement of the price at the monopoly rate to the purchaser on the quantity short according to the enclosed Estimate and granting him the 5% discount on the remainder taken wholesale.

2 The wholesale dealers are now taking Salt from their stored since the November Gale, but at the

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the number of heaps then damaged are much greater than the Board were led to expect from the papers already before them, I beg to take their further orders on the course pointed out in para 8 thus to preserve the damaged heaps for retail and exportation—

3 This would undoubtedly be the best plan of disposal, could we hope to get off the damaged heaps within a reasonable time, but as the number so affected are 422 in all 3 platforms, as stated in the accompanying

1st July/57 No 153. copy of a letter from the Superintendent on the subject it will take some 15 months to dispose of this salt in the usual course of retail sale, as it is uncertain how far we may be assisted by exportation—

4 To devise some means of getting this salt off more speedily I visited the Golauns two days ago and was shewn an Estimate of the damage received by the heaps on the Dungbill platform, which had been some short time ago prepared by order of the Superintendent

I

5 I enclose a copy of this list and tested its accuracy by uncovering two heaps. The average estimated loss on the 60 heaps is about 1¾ pound is probably under the mark.

6 As this loss was occasioned by special causes and is unconnected with the question of the usual wastage to be expected in a heap taken wholesale I beg permission to sell off these heaps on the Dunghill and in every making an abatement of the price at the monopoly rate, to the purchaser on the quantity short according to this Estimate, and granting him the 5% discount on the remainder taken wholesale.

7 Some principal native merchants present agreed to this arrangement and I believe that Messrs Commade will also consent. This will I think, speedily take off the salt upon this platform, and the same course may be pursued, with the Board's concurrence, with

with those damaged heaps on the other platforms which are not disposed of by retail or in export.

8 Now the wholesale merchants are taking salt recently stored on the new Platform on which there is no wastage, and it is desirable to bring them back to the older salt on the Dunghill and old Platforms, besides as stated by the Superintendent, we shall have to revert to these Platforms in the showery weather as we may soon expect, as the road to the new Platform is then impassable for Carts.

9 The Merchants will then purchase wholesale only under some such arrangement as I have proposed. If this is not acceded we must close the wholesale or supply them by retail measurement, a process requiring a much larger Establishment than we possess if indeed, we could at all undertake it simultaneously with our Store, which of course will proceed as usual.

Madras
4th July 1857

/ Signed / B. Cunliffe
Collector.

To.

5 I enclose a copy of this list and tested its accuracy by uncovering two heaps. The average estimated loss on the 60 heaps is about 1½ p.cent and is probably under the mark.

6 As this loss was occasioned by special causes and is unconnected with the question of the usual wastage to be expected in a heap taken wholesale I beg permission to sell off these heaps on the Dunghill wholesale and in so doing make an abatement of the price of the monopoly rate, to the purchaser on the quantity short according to this Estimate, and granting him the 5% discount on the remainder taken wholesale.

7 Some principal native merchants present agreed to this arrangement and I believe that Messrs Commette will also consent. This will I think, speedily take off the salt upon this platform, and the same course may be pursued with the Boards concurrence with

with those damaged heaps on the other platforms which are not disposed of by retail or in export.

8 Now the wholesale merchants are taking salt recently stored on the new Platform on which there is no wastage, and it is desirable to bring them back to the older salt on the Dunghill and old Platforms, besides as stated by the Superintendent, we shall have to revert to these Platforms in the showery weather we may soon expect, as the road to the new Platform is then impassable for boats.

9 The Merchants will then purchase wholesale only under some such arrangement as I have proposed. If this is not acceded we must close the wholesale or supply them by retail measurement, a process requiring a much larger Establishment than we possess if indeed we could at all undertake it simultaneously with our Store, which of course will proceed as usual.

Madras
4th July 1857

/Signed/ B. Cunliffe
Collector

To

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Encl 4

No 153

To B. Cunliffe Esqre

Collector of Madras

Sir

With preference to Paras 6 and 7 of the Board's Proceedings of the 26th June 1857 to make a remission in the case of Salt heaps somewhat damaged and which have been in store for a lengthened period and to the opinion expressed in your Memorandum No 83 of the 27th June that the heaps upon the new and Dunghill Platform are now too many to be disposed of on retail; and adverting to the opportunity taken by you on the 30th Idem of inspecting the 60 heaps upon the Dunghill remaining out of the number which were on hand at the period of the Gale, I have now the honor to report that at this date the heaps noted marginally remain out of those damaged by the Gale.

	Heaps
New Platform	33
Dunghill Do	60
Old Do	329
	422

I hope to sell of the 33 on the new Platform before the 10th of August in the retail to Home and Inland

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Inland Consumers and for Exportation by sea to Chittagong on Public Indent which contrary to my expectation we have this week received to the extent of nearly six heaps three of which will have to be supplied out of the 33 heaps on the New Platform.

2 Having personally observed your orders to Submit the List of the 60 Heaps on the Dunghill showing the ostensible damage which is now apparent upon them and since the Gale occurred. I beg to enclose the same in this Report. I have stated that the list of damage was prepared, at my request by my native Deputy and the Coleur Maistry without any idea that it was to be put to its present purpose and that, so far as the outward appearance of the heaps enable myself to Judge I believe the List to be a very fair and accurate one, and I have no doubt you can as well testify to that from what you perceived.

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The 1st heaps on the 11th Line and 11th heaps on the Senni Line are those which you selected and inspected with the view to verify the probable damage inserted in the List against them. Of course an Estimate of lots with greater approach to accuracy might be prepared, if the entire covering were taken off every Heap, but I escpect that such an Estimate would show a much larger damages than what is exhibited in the Estimate I now submit in which the damage does not average 1½ per Cent on the 60 heaps as taken together.

3 You were enabled yourself to prevail upon the native whole-sale Dealers to take up these heaps not upon an average but upon the damages to each heap inserted in my list being permitted to them with the usual Discount and stated your

desire

desire of having those sold off as early as possible leaving it to me afterwards to make another Estimate of the 329 heaps on the old Platform in the state they might then appear You are aware of the trouble and expense of reforming the heaps and of the time that must elapse before they are all sold off on retail and of the impossibility of conducting a large retail sale simultaneously with a large store. As you thought it would be escpedient to have the matter reconsidered for allowing a remission on Salt Store which has been Kept for a lengthened time, and to obtain some order in reference to the sale at least of the 60 heaps upon the Dunghill and as the Board of Revenue have expressed their willingness to reconsider the matter, perhaps it would be as well to place the Subject again before them.

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4. I believe I mentioned that the Roadway on the new Platform is impassable for carts after heavy falls of Rain which may be expected early next month and again during the monsoon. It would then therefore become necessary to revert to the sale by heaps on the Dunghill or Old Platform & to close the wholesale on there and then to have only retail there that of necessity going out of the regular course of Sale.

5 In accordance with the orders issued to me the wholesale was removed with vigour on the new Platform out of the heaps piled since the Sale from Sale of July 1265 of which only 40 heaps are now remaining on that Platform, which with the 33 damaged heaps on retail will last for about I expect will last for some month only. All the rest of the Salt piled up

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upon the new Platform is of the manufacture of July 1266.

Madras, Cotaur 1st July 1857. } I Signed I R. P. Campbell, Superintendent of Salt.

I True Copy I

I Signed I B. Cunliffe, Collector

Probable

1803 Fort St George 22d July 1857.

Probable Estimate of the loss of No. 2 Salt sustained by the late Gale which took place on the 19th and 20th November 1856 in the Heaps at Broomgoondum which was covered by Palmyra Leaves.

Cottahs	Lines	Feet	Numbers	Particulars	Mauds	Remarks.
Bunghill	1	7	498	This was melted around the Heap	38	This was sold.
	2	1	482	Do. Do.	15	21st July 1856
		2	483	Do. Do.	10	21st July Do.
		3	484	Do. Do.	"	21st July Do.
		4	485	This was melted on the west side of the Heap	15	21st July Do.
		5	486	Do. Do. East Do.	15	21 & 22d July Do.
		6	487	Do. East and west Do.	15	21st Do. Do.
		7	488	Do. Do. west Do.	10	Do. Do. Do.
		8	489	This was melted much on the west & East	15	Do. Do. Do.
		9	339	Do. Slightly on the west side of the Do.	10	21st June 1856
		10	340	Do. Do.	10	21st & 23d Do. Do.
		11	341	Do. Do.	10	21st Do. Do.
		12	342	Do. Do.	20	21st 23 & 24 Do. Do.
	3	1	343	This was melted in the East and west side of the Heap	15	23d Do. Do.
		2	344	Do. Do. Do.	15	23d Do. Do.
		3	345	Do. west Do.	30	23d Do. Do.
		4	346	Do. Do. Do.	15	23d Do. Do.
		5	347	Do. much on the East side of the Heap	30	23d Do. Do.
		6	348	Do. west Do.	25	23d Do. Do.
		7	349	Do. East Do.	15	23d Do. Do.
		8	350	Do. East and west Do.	15	23d Do. Do.
		9	351	Do. Do. Do.	20	23d Do. Do.
		10	352	Do. Do. Do.	25	23 & 25th Do. Do.
		11	353	Do. Do. and west Do.	25	24th & 25th Do. Do.
		12	354	Do. Do. Do.	10	24th & 25th Do. Do.
	4	1	355	Do. Do. Do.	15	24th & 25th Do. Do.
		2	356	Do. Do. Do.	15	24th & 25th Do. Do.
		3	357	Do. Do. Do.	10	24th & 25th Do. Do.
		4	358	Do. Do. Do.	15	24th & 25th Do. Do.
		5	359	Do. Do. Do.	15	24th & 25th Do. Do.
		6	360	Do. Do. Do.	15	24th & 25th Do. Do.
		7	361	Do. Do. Do.	10	25th Do. Do.

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Column	Line	Feet	Number	Particulars	Mounds	Remarks
Dampfill	8	362	This was melted much on the East and west side of the Heap	15	25th June 1856	
4	9	363	Do on the west Do Do	15	25 Do Do	
	10	364	Do Do Do	15	25 & 26 Do Do	
	11	365	Do East and west Do	15	25th Do Do	
	12	366	Do Slightly west Do	20	26th Do Do	
5	1	367	Do Do East Do	15	26th Do Do	
	2	368	Do Do Do	15	26th Do Do	
	3	369	Do Do Do	20	26 Do Do	
	4	370	Do Slightly Do Do	15	26 Do Do	
	5	371	Do Do	25	26 Do Do	
	6	372	Do west side of the Heap	20	26 & 27 Do Do	
	7	373	Do Do Do	20	26 & 27 Do Do	
	8	374	Do Do Do	15	26 & 27 Do Do	
	9	375	Do Much on the west Do	30	27 & 30th Do Do	
	10	376	Do Do Do	30	27th & 30 Do Do	
	11	377	Do Do Do	40	30 Do Do	
	12	378	Do Past & west Do	35	30th Do Do	
6	1	379	This was sold	"	30th Do Do	
	2	380	This was melted around the Heap	15	30th Do Do	
	3	381	Do Do west side of the Heap	10	30th Do Do	
	4	382	Do Do Do	15	30th Do Do	
	5	383	Do Do Do	10	30th Do Do	
	6	384	Do Do Do	10	30th June & 1st July 1856	
	7	385	Do Do Do	15	Do Do	
	8	386	Do Do Do	15	Do Do	
	9	387	Do Do Do	10	Do Do	
	10	388	Do Do Do	15	Do Do	
	11	389	Do Do Do	10	Do Do	
	12	390	Do on the west side of the Heap	30	1st July 1856	
		61	Lot of Mounds	1025	Yards 8 Mounds and 216/11 Morals	

Total Heaps

Salt Heap No 195 was sold and the Lot contained in it by the Sale of the 19 & 20th November 1856 is 35 Mounds which is included in this list.

Signed B. Lumsliffe
Collector

C Proceedings

11804 Fort St. George 22d July 1857.

Bd's Pro. 24th July.

Proceedings thereon. 1. Under the circumstances explained by the Collector the Board authorize him to sell off the 60 damaged Heaps referred to in para 5 of the above letter with a remission of 6½ percent instead of the Customary abatement of 5 per cent – the Salt being sold by the Heap only.

2. A similar course can be followed with the other damaged Heaps as proposed in para 7.

3. It occurs to the Board to suggest that the damaged Heaps might be sold by auction a liberal upset price being first fixed and they wish the Collector's opinion on the subject.

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No. 148.

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

(741.)

Dd No. 2743.

From the Asst Collr of Madura. } Sir,

I have the honor to inform the Board of Revenue that Ramanauny Iyen, the original Prosecutor of

Seeka Ram

11805 Fort St. George 22d July 1857.

Seeka Ram Sholayer the Dannetaunn Manager, applied to me on Saturday last the 4th July for copies of all my sentences in the matter of Seeka Ram.

As the Month allowed for Appeal by the Board of Revenue in the Proceedings dated 2d June 1857 expired on the 2d July, I refused to grant Copies, but on consideration feeling that the responsibility and power of refusing rested with the Board, I have this day intimated to Rama-nauny Iyen by Yadavat that

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that he can have copies
on application to the Board
I have had copies kept
prepared for some time
expecting an application.

Madura,
6th July 1857

Signed R. J Sullivan,
Acting Collector.

Proceedings thereon:

(741:742)

The Board
of Revenue authorized the
Acting Collector to furnish
Ramasawmy Iyen with
copies of the sentences
referred to in the
foregoing letter.

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No 147.

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

(743)

Bd. No 2742
From the Collr
of Madura
24th June 1857

Sir,

I have the honor to submit, for the consideration of the Board of Revenue, a letter from the Acting Sub-Collector Mr. Cockerell, regarding Errackekanaikoor Poliput.

2. In 1835 Chinna Obala Naik, the Zemindar, died, and the property was registered in the name of his Widows, with reference to the correspondence noted in the margin as the Government were not then aware of the custom of the caste of the deceased Zemindar. On the death of the 1st Widow, Chinnamal, on the 12th July 1853, the mistake was rectified by Government and after correspondence, dates given in the margin, it was finally ruled that the renter should retain his contract and that Veerakanoo Ammaul, daughter of Panjamaul, 2d Widow, should retain lands rent free for life.

To B. 28th Oct. 1835
From Do 29th January 1836

To Board 6th September 1853
From Do 2 November "
To Do 17th Febuary 1854
To Do 15th April "
From Do 1st May "
Do 26th September 1855
To Do 9th October "
From Do 17th November "
To Do 19th November "
From Do 24th December "

The

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3. The Board will perceive by the Acting Sub-Collector's letter that the contract

Para 25 of Mr. Clarke's Letter to Board 8th September 1853.

expires on the 14th October 1857 or Fasly 1268, the order of the Board 25th September 1855, with reference to the incorporation of the Estate with Circar lands will be carried into effect. I beg to support the suggestion of the Tahsildar of which the Acting Sub-Collector approves that a Gomastah and zillahdar be appointed, each on ten Rupees a Month, and six additional Peons, 3 to be paid as Police Peons 4 Rupees and 6 annas, and 3 as Revenue Peons at 3 Rupees and 8 annas a Month.

4. Veerakamoo Ammaul, the unsuccessful claimant, has instituted a suit for the recovery of the Estate in the Civil Court, the Pleadings of which suit is

To Board 25th January 1858 From Do. 7th March 1858

closed, but the points are not

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not yet given.

Madura, 6th July 1857.

(Signed) R. J. Sullivan
Acting Collector

No. 1.

No. 118.

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

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will instruct me what course I am to pursue in reference to the enclosed Urzee from the Tahsildar of Tenkaray Taluk reporting that the period for which the Erasakanaickenoor zemindary was rented expires at the end of the current Fusly and referring to an order of the Board of Revenue dated 25th September 1855 directing that on the expiry of the contract the zemindary shall be incorporated with the Ayen lands.

* 22d June 1857 No. 110 with 1 Enclosure to be returned

2. None of the correspondence connected with this subject is forthcoming in my records, and I therefore confine myself to laying it before you in the form that it has been reported to me.

3. The Tahsildar considers that

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that he will require the assistance of a Gomastah on 10 Rupees, a Zilladar on the same pay, and six additional Peons in managing the affairs of the Zemindary, the income of which including the Peishcash is about 8,000 Rupees a year. To these propositions I have no objections to make, but I may state in regard to the Zilladar that I propose suggesting an arrangement for taking the Police duties of the Southern half of the Tenkarray Talook entirely out of the Tahsildar's hands, which, if approved of, will render his continued entertainment unnecessary.

(Signed) J. R. Cockerell,
Acting Collector.

(True Copy)
(Signed) R. J. Sullivan
Acting Collector.

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B. No 2471
Proceedings thereon (743-744)

The Board observe that Eight thousand Rupees, stated to be the income of the Erasakhanaickenoor Estate, is not so great as that of several of the Villages of the Tenkarray Talook. They are not therefore prepared to recommend so large a temporary Establishment as that proposed by the Revenue authorities for the care of that Zemindary. A Zilladar, a Coomky Goomastah on 5 Rupees a month and 3 Revenue Peons will be quite enough. In regard to the recommendation for Police Peons they would observe that as the Police of the Zemindary was always under the Government no additional labor on that account is occasioned by the annexation of the Estate.

2. The insufficiency of the Talook Establishment of the large and rapidly improving Talook of Tenkarray has however been more than once brought

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brought to their notice and they are prepared to recommend the necessary increase thereto as a permanent arrangement on the details being submitted for their consideration. This should be done with as little delay as possible.

Resolved that the Acting Collector's letter be submitted to Government with the Board's recommendation that the Establishment mentioned in para of these Proceedings may be sanctioned temporarily - while the Estate for the Estate preferred by Veerakoo Unnamal is pending - the incorporation of the Estate with Government lands would be inexpedient.

No 82

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

745

To
From

Bd No. 2881.
From the Collector of Bellary

Sir,

I have the honor to request

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you will be good enough to furnish me with 50 copies of Blank forms of Demand Collection and Balance Statements for the use of this office as the copies last supplied are nearly expended.

Bellary Collector's Office, 15th July 1857.

(Signed) C. Pelly,
Collector.

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.

To, the Collector of Bellary.

745-746

Bd No. 2465
To the Collector of Bellary

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to forward by Bangby the undermentioned printed forms for which an Indent was submitted in your letter of the 15th Instant No. 82.

In Cons: 22d July 1857

you will be pleased to acknowledge the receipt of the same.

Revenue Board Office, Fort St. George, 22d July 1857

(Signed) I. D. Sim,
Acting Secretary.

Demand Collection and Balance Statements 50

No 108.

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

747

Bd No. 2884
From the Collector of Madras

Sir,

With reference to —
Mr

11814.

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Mr. Cochrane's letter of the 22d ultimo, I have the honor to request you will be so good as to furnish this office with a further supply of 1,000 Salt Rowannahs.

Madras, 18th July 1857. } (Signed) B. Cunliffes
Collector.

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.

747-748

To the Collector of Madras.

Bd No: 2466

To the Collr of Madras } Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to forward herewith the under-mentioned printed forms for which an Indent was submitted in your letter of the 18th Instant No: 108. You will be pleased to acknowledge the receipt of the same.

Revenue Board Office, Fort St. George, 22d July 1857. } (Signed) J. D. Sim,
Acting Secretary.

Salt Rowannahs 1,000

Received the under-mentioned Miscellaneous Letters and Statements.

From

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My No: 1581 From the Collector of Rajahmundry Account-Current of Salt for June 1857.

750

My No: 1576 From the Collector of Bellary — Average Bazar Prices of Grain for June 1857.

751

My No: 1574 From the Collector of South Arcot } Average Bazar Prices of Grain for June 1857.

My No: 1578 From the Collector of Chingleput } Statement shewing the quantity of Salt in store available for Exportation to Calcutta on the 16th July 1857.

753

My No: 1577 From the Collector of South Arcot } Statement shewing the value of Gold and Silver Bullion and Specie imported

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754 imported for June 1857.

My No: 1579
From the Collector of Trichinopoly — Return of
Village officers suspended or
dismissed under Regulations
755 VII of 1831 for June 1857.

My No: 1580
From the Collector of Trichinopoly — Informs
that the monthly returns are
not sent as none of the par-
ticulars have occurred for
June 1857.

My No: 1531
From the Acting Collr of
756 Canara — Statement of
Demands Collection and
Balance of Revenue for
June 1857.

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Thursday the 23rd July 1857.

757 Read the following papers.

Bd No: 2810
From the Acting ... }
Secretary to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Con
sultation in the Revenue Department under
date the 13th July 1857.

Requesting sundry further
information with regard to
the payment to certain Salt
Servants of Guntoor of the
Costs incurred by them in
appealing to the Civil Court
against a decision passed
by the Revenue Officers
under Regulation IX of
1822. — See No: 697 in Separate Volume Page 793

Bd No: 2474
Order thereon
757-758 Ordered to be communicated to the Acting
Collector of Guntoor who will obtain from
the Civil Court a Statement of the Costs in-
curred by the appellants and also report whether
they were entered in the Statement of Law
Charges Submitted for Sanction.

Extract.

11818. Fort St George 23rd July 1857.

B/d No. 2825

From the Acting Secretary to Government. (759) } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 14th July 1857.

Directing that the propositions for the permanent retention of the Medical Subordinate Stations at Ghooty may be resubmitted when the detachment at present stationed there actually leaves the place. See No. 703 in separate Volume Page 794

(759-760)

B/d No. 2475

Order thereon Ordered to be communicated to the Collector.

B/d No. 2826

From the Ag. Secretary to Government. (761) } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 14th July 1857.

Sanctioning Rs. 340-6-4 the Amount of Batta paid by the Officiating Agent of Kurnool to certain Cart owners engaged for the 17th Regiment N.I. in March last. See No. 706 in separate Volume Page 795

Order

11819. Fort St George 23rd July 1857.

B/d No. 2477

Order thereon (761-762) Ordered to be communicated to the Officiating Agent. —

B/d No. 2928

From the Ag. Secy to Government. (763) } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Public Works Department under date the 21st July 1857

Directing that in Consequence of the large reduction lately made in the Department Public Works the revenue authorities in Tanjore retain the executive charge of the District until further orders See No. 1396 in separate Volume Page 796

B/d No. 2473

Order thereon (763764) Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Collector of Tanjore. —

To No. 82.
J. D. Sim Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St George

Sir,

(765) B/d No. 1167

From the Collector of Chingleput. } With reference to the Board's Endorsement dated 22d January last on Petition No. 84 of 1857, requiring me to report whether I adopted any measures for ascertaining the relative qualities of the salt reported upon by the Petitioner and the Tahsildar as respectively

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respectively good and bad, I have the honor to state that both the one and the other set samples corroborative of their reports, and the measures which they suggested; and that there could be no doubt of the correctness of the Tasildar's report on an inspection of the Samples in question which has been subsequently corroborated by the fact that upto the 12th instant, Rupees 23,338 worth of salt reported by the Petitioner as unfit has been actually sold.-

2 The Petitioner ought not to have been dismissed at once and it was pure kindness alone which induced me only to reduce him.-

3 The consequences of this Proceedings will be apparent to the Board by observing the diminished Sales at Chooma-cut and the greatly increased Sales at Marcanum in South Arcot.-

4 As regards the private letter the Petitioner refers to, I have the honor to report that I have examined them all and find them to contain nothing beyond the Gossip of the Cutcherry only one of them

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was a note written by the Nail Sheris tadar directing him not to proceed with the case he was then enquiring into but without stating what case it was. On enquiry of the Nail Sheristadar regarding it, he explains that it was merely to instruct the Peishcar to defer his enquiry into the complaint of one Ramasamy Moodelly as his attendance was required to arbitrate in a dispute regarding some Samoodayam lands situated in Cuddalore, a Village of the Chingleput Talook and that Ramasamy Moodelly's case was afterwards proceeded with and disposed of in due course. The note has consequently nothing suspicious attaching to it and I cannot but consider the Petitioner's conduct in making up a lot of gossiping letters and a note without a reference for the purpose of advancing insinuations which could not be sustained as deserving of the greatest reprehension, if not signal punishment.-

5- The Petitioner has lived in perpetual quarrels ever since his entry into the

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the Public service - the Ryots of Pyennore complained to me personally against him but in general terms on the occasion of the Right Honorable the Governor's visit to the Seven Pagodas in December 1853 - and he appears to have been convicted by the late Head Assistant Mr Hudleston on the 28th August 1854 of habitually using abusive language towards his subordinates and quarrelling with every one he came across besides other irregularities recorded in the Sentence but not necessary to mention here - Though they go to shew that he is quite unfitted to hold a separate charge, and that he was removed from his Post by the then Collector at Mr Hudleston's recommendation -

6. I believe the Board will allow that considering the impropriety of his Proceedings at the Pass the way he interfered with the manufacture of salt at every separate stage and on every separate day, the loss he recommended by the destruction of 211 Ounces of salt as unfit which to subsequent sale proved not to be so, I dealt very mildly.

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mildly with him by only reducing him to the subordinate Post of a Jawalmeer is and that I should have been fully justified in dismissing him altogether - If the Board will dismiss him now, I think he will only meet with his deserts -

Chingleput District ... } Signed C J Shubrick
Collectors Cutcherry } Collector
Sydapet 28th March 1857

Ld No 2487

Order thereon (765-766)

Ordered that the following Endorse ment be passed upon the above Petition and upon Nos 1268 & 1548 -

"The Proceedings of the Petitioner as Salt Peshcar appear to merit punishment and looking to the very unfavorable character given of him by the Collector the Board do not think it expedient to distrub the order reducing him to the grade of Jawal: meer."

2. "They observe that on a former occasion he was convicted by the Head Assistant of habitually making use of abusive language to his subordinates and of picking quarrels with all with whom he came in contact" —

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767
B.d No 1489

From the Collector of Chingleput ... }

No 107.

Official Memo.

The Collector of Chingleput has the honor to forward Copy of the advertisement issued by him inviting tenders for the Cheyroot Contract referred to in a letter from this Office under date the 2d February 1857. as well as a Certified translation thereof which were called for in a Memo from the Acting Sub Secretary to the Board of Revenue under date the 16th instant No 1143

Chingleput District Collrs Cutcherry Sydapet 25th April 1857. } /Signed/ C J Shulbrick Collector

Enc 1.

Notice is hereby given that Government having resolved to rent out the Cheyroot collected by the Ajanadies in Streehurricotah of the Nayen Talook, for 3 or 5 Fuslies commencing with Fusly 1266, parties desirous of renting the same are required to forward to this Office within the 30th October next sealed tenders specifying the amount they may be willing to offer over and above the average of the past 10 Fuslies, Viz.t Rupees 66 - 14 - 2 and also to attend at the Hoozoor Cutcherry

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Cutcherry at Sydapet at 12 O'Clock A.M. on the 5th November following. The tenders will be opened at 1 O'Clock and the highest bidder will immediately be required to deposit, before being put in possession of the Farm, one fourth of last years Rent Viz.t Rupees 343 - 2 - 0 Should the successful bidder fail so to deposit the money the Farm will be put up to public competition. The tenders are to be superscribed "Cheyroot Tenders" Should the party who forwards his tender fail to make his personal appearance on the specified date, his tender will not be accepted.

(True Translation).

Sydapet ... } 20th September 1856 /Signed/ C J Shulbrick Collector

B.d No 2479

Order thereon

(767. 768)

Enc 2 Tamil.

Ordered that the following Endorsement be passed upon Petitions Nos 3687 of 1856 and 121 of 1857 - "From a report received from the Collector on the subject of these Petitions the Board find that Petitioner (in No 3687) was not present at the time and place prescribed for the opening of the tenders - Had he made his appearance as directed in the advertisement he

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he would have had an opportunity of making any representation he pleased regarding his tender. As it was, he failed to comply with the conditions set forth in the notice and must take the consequences.

2 It further appears that the other tenderer alluded to offering to pay 3/4 Rupee more than the highest bid was rejected on the ground of its not having a specific sum as required.

3 The Board are satisfied that no undue influence was used or partiality shown in the bestowal of the contract upon the successful application.

(769)

B/ No 1971
From the Ag. Supt.g Engineer Nth Circle

No 632

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

Read the following letter from the Ag. Secretary to the Court of Wards

(Here enter 12th May 1857 No 1343)

Resolved to return to the Acting Secretary to the Court of Wards, the Estimates received with the foregoing letter which have been examined and corrected where necessary.

(A true Extract)
(Signed) C. C. Johnston, Captn
Ag Supt.g Engr Nth Circle

Enclosures
2 Estimates

B/ No 2504
Proceedings thereon

(769-770)

The Court of Wards sanction the estimate for the construction of a road in the Town of Purlakimedy and authorize the disbursement of the amount from the funds of the Estate.

To

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No 83

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

(771)

B No 2429
From the Asst Collr of Ganjam
No 547 dated 9th June 1857.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward the accompanying application from my Assistant in Purlakimedy requesting that his Maramut Establishment may be allowed travelling allowance on the scale allowed to the Subordinates of the Public Works Department and beg you will be pleased to submit the same for sanction with the support of the Court as it appears most reasonable and there is not the same prospect of rising to the same high position there is in the Department Public Works and therefore every consideration should be shewn.

Ganjam District
Collector's Office
Chatterpoor
11th June 1857.

(Signed) W. Knox
Actg Collr

Enclosure No 1

To

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To

No. 54.

W. Knox Esqre

Actg. Coll.r and Agent

Sir in Ganjam.

I have the honor to request you will obtain the sanction of Government that the travelling allowances of my Maramut Establishment should be on the same footing as that allowed to similar Subordinates in the Department of Public Works.

Ganjam District
Governor's Asstt. Agents
Office Remidy
7th June 1857.

/Signed/ A. F. Campbell
Asstt. agent.

/True Copy/
/Signed/ W. Knox
Actg. Collr. and Agent.

BR. 2489.
Proceedings thereon.
771-772

The Court of wards decline to sanction the payment of Travelling Batta to the Maramut Establishment of the Purla Zemindary - as a compliance with the Acting Agent's recommendation in this instance would form an inconvenient precedent.

For

11829. Fort St. George 23d July 1857.

No. 80

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

773

BR No. 2355.
From the Collr of Salem.

Sir.

I have the honor to submit a Statement in the prescribed form relative to certain Mootahs sequestered for arrears of Revenue due on the 1st May on the Chittoy Kist for Fusly 1266 and to request the Board's sanction for the required Establishment.

Salem Collrs Office.
Salem,
15th June 1857.

/Signed/ A. A. Brett
Collector.

Statement

11 1830

For Fort St. George

Encl: 1 Statement of certain Moolahs registered for 1266 in the District of Salem and of the Establishment the sanction of the Board of Revenue.

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arrears of the Revenue to the May or Chitty Fusly of Fusly appointed to the charge of each Moolah for Fusly

Names of the Moolahs or Estates	Names of the Moolahdars or Proprietors	Number of Villages included in the Moolah or Estate	Permanent Jummah of the Moolah or Estate	Amount of Assists due for the Current Fusly	Amount Collected	Balance	Number of Villages subject to the attachment	Fee'tal or Estimated annual value of the portion to be attached	Establishment proposed to be employed in the attachment.	Percentage of the Estimated annual value of the portion to be attached	Date of the attachment	Remarks
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Salem Collector's Office Salem 15th June 1857 / Signed / A. A. Brett Collector.

Proceedings

B. No. 2500

Proceedings thereon.

(773-774)

The Board of Revenue sanction the employment of the several Establishments exhibited in the statement which accompanies the foregoing letter at an aggregate charge of Rupees 42 per mensem for the management of certain Mootahs attached for arrears of revenue for Fusly 1265.

2. As regards the two last Mootahs in the return, the Board do not see why one or more of the Villages in each should not have been attached in lieu of the entire Estates.

No. 79.

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

(775)

B. No. 2334.
From the Actg. Collr. of Madras. } Sir,

In acknowledging the receipt of the Acting Sub Secretary's letter of the 30th Ultimo, I have the honor to report that the Pensioners therein referred to are, with the exception of one,

one, still in existence as particularized in the annexed Memorandum.

Madras. 16th June 1857. } I Signed I W. E. Cochrane
Acting Collr.

Memorandum.

Nos.
1 Mahomedeah Beebee still alive Pension disbursed up to March 1857.
2. Gonse Meah Do Do to May 1857.
3 Mahomed Ebrahim Do Do Do
4. Fuzrah Beebee Do Do to March Do.
5. Rookeeyah Beebee died in may 1845. as reported to the Civil auditor on the 5th of that month. Pension disbursed up to April 1845

I Signed I W. E. Cochrane
Actg. Collector.

(775-776)

Order thereon.

Ordered to be recorded.

The Extract Minutes Consultation 17th June 1857 No. 604. P. D. having disposed of the matter.

In Cons. 24th June 1857.

No. 113.

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

(777)

Sir.

B. No. 2456
From the Actg. Collr. of Masulipatam } I Extract

In obedience to
from the Proceedings of the

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No. 746.

the Board of Revenue 9th March 1857 I have the honor to report that the tax on wood cut in the Deeni Jungles has been reimposed, and during 2 months no objections have been received - and I do not now believe the right of Government to this tax will be questioned.

2. I would beg however to bring to the notice of the Board the fact that in the Jungles in the Guntoor District there is no tax & as in some places one side of the channel is ours and the other belongs to Guntoor. It is evident 1st that it is impossible to prevent evasion of the Tax. a boatman can assert his wood was cut on the Guntoor side of the water and it is impossible to refute him - and 2dly it is evident if the principle of a restrictive tax is good for one side of a river it should apply to the other. If the supply of wood in the Nizampatam Jungles is sufficient for the supply of our large town and total distruction

the

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the reason for the tax on our side, need not be feared our tax should be abolished as a trifling and vexatious impost. If the supply of this Town will end in the ruin of the Nizampatam Jungles. the wood cutters should be taxed if the tax tends to diminish waste and consumption of wood. which I doubt - My own opinion is that uniformity is desirable, and I prefer the freedom of the Guntoor plan.

Masulipatam Coll.r Cutcherry 19th June 1857.

[Signed] T. J. Knox
Actg. Collr.

B.No. 2478.

Proceedings thereon. 777-778

In Cons. 9th March 1857

This impost has been revised under the orders of Government 7th February 1857 No. 149 Revenue Department. The Jungles in the Deeny differ materially from those in the Guntoor District not only as being more extensive and valuable but as affording facilities for the imposition of a duty on wood cut for exportation without interfering with the claims and convenience

of

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entire estate of Devercottah —

His Acting Collector is requested

to forward a revised advertisement show-

ing in Column 7 the "amount exclusive of

arrears payable for the current Fasly." i.e.

the balance of Pishcash payable by the

purchaser from the day of sale — The rea-

lization of the arrears is matter for

adjustment between Government and

the defaulter and is provided for by

the sale of the property — The purchaser

has no concern with this, but it is ne-

cessary for him to know what he will

have to pay for the current year after

receiving possession of the property —

J.

To

11834 Fort St. George 23d July 1857.

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be abolished as a trifling and
vexatious impost. If the supply
of this Town will end in the ruin
of the Nizampatam Jungles, the
wood cutters should be taxed if
the tax tends to diminish waste
and consumption of wood, which
I doubt. My own opinion is that
uniformity is desirable, and I prefer the
freedom of the Guntoor plan. —

Masulipatam
Coll.r Cutcherry
19th June 1857.

Signed T. J. Knox
Act.g Coll.r

B.No 2478.

Proceedings thereon. This impost has been
777-778 revised under the orders of Govern-
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of

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up to the end of the last Official year.

I have again addressed him on the subject and on receipt of these statistics shall lose no time in submitting my Report

Collector's Cutcherry
Mangalore
19th June 1857. } Signed J. D. Robinson
Acty. Collector

Order thereon
(779-780)

Ordered to be recorded

No. 310

To The President and Members of the Board of Revenue

B No. 2455.

From the Accountant General. } Gentlemen.
(781)

At the request of the Chief Engineer contained in his letter dated the 27th Ultimo, I have the honor to forward to you herewith, a Statement of the Expenditure on Public Works connected with agriculture, for the last five years, with an average thereof for a year, as required in Extract from the Proceedings of your Board dated the 20th May 1857 No. 1697.

Fort St. George
Accountant General's Office,
19th June 1857. } Signed J. L. Prendergast
Accountt. General

Statement

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Statement of the expenditure on Public Works connected with agriculture including the allowances paid to Civil Engineers and other servants of the

Average per year —	253,525.12 8½

Fort St. George, Accountant General's Office 19th June 1857. Signed J. L. Prendergast
Accountant General

Proceedings

Fort St. George 23d July 1857.

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply:-

To-

Henry Ricketts Esqre

Commissioner for the revision of Civil Salaries and Establishments throughout India

Ootacamund.

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BN° 2503

Sir

With reference to the correspondence noted in the margin, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to forward to you herewith Copies of a letter and statement from the Accountant General exhibiting the expenditure on public works for 5 years Viz.t from 1851/52 to 1855/56.

+ Fr. Mr. Ricketts 8 April 1857 Bd. Pro. 20th Mar.

D.o 19 June Jul 23d July 1857 2455.

The following table shews this expenditure with the Collections of Revenue during the same period, and the per centage of the former on the latter.

Expenses

Fort St. George 23d July 1857.

	1	2 Expenses debited to construction and repairs of Sanr.y and water Courses.	3 ½ % of the Civil Commissioners charges debited to the Revenue Department.	4 Total Expenditure	5 Land Revenue	6 Excise Revenue	7 Total revenue	8 Percentage of Column 4 on Col.n 7.
		Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
1851/52 Fasly 1261		137,49,422	2,28,527	1,60,469	36,73,926	1,10,84,758	4,78,07,735	333
1852/53		1,78,79,931	2,15,886	2,00,817	36,39,225	1,08,81,310	4,72,73,566	424
1853/54		2,30,90,162	2,38,561	2,54,757	33,41,130	1,01,67,680	4,35,80,810	584
1854/55		2,62,98,982	2,99,968	2,92,98,866	33,42,137	1,01,69,302	4,35,72,439	672
1855/56		2,86,08,401	7,42,057	3,60,2,898	36,42,471	1,10,03,681	4,74,27,952	849
Total		10,96,29,17,999	12,87,628	17,63,92,054	5,32,90,448	22,96,82,502		552.
Average		2,19,25,26,344,999	25,37,525	35,27,8,411	10,65,80,89	45,93,65,10		552.

Rev.e Bd.e Office. Fort St. George 23d July 1857.

Signed J. D. Sim Actg. Secy.

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No. 114.

To

I. D. Sim Esqre

Actg. Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

For. St. George.

(783)

B. No. 2531

From the Actg. Collector of Masulipatam } Sir.

Reporting with reference to the Comrs. Proceedings 12th April 1856 on the subject of leasing out to Guffoor sahib the Village of Ambapoorum and concurring in the opinion of Mr. Blair late Acting Sub Collector.

1. In reply to the Commissioners' W. Cr. Proceedings 12th April 1856, I have the honor to report for the information of the Board that the village of Ambapoorum which Guffoor Sahib wishes to rent, is without a resident and without a house and the lands have been for some time cultivated by persons from other Villages paying Rs. 186 — 8 — 0 yearly cist.

2. No injury would be done to any one by Guffoor sahib's offer being accepted. he propose to pay Rs. 225 for the first year. " 250 for the second " 300 for the third " 350 for the fourth Rs. and 400 for every succeeding year till ten, the period for which he wishes a lease are completed.

3. He also engages to build 25 houses if government will advance him

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him 500 Rupees which he promises to repay in 10 yearly instalments.

4. He proposes also to repair an old tank and introduce wet cultivation which is unknown in the Village.

5. Our accounts shew that from fusly 1236 to 1245 the average yearly collections were ——— 148 Rupees
from fusly 1246 to 1255 — 127 Rs.
from fusly 1256 to 1265 — 191 Rs.
The total amount of land in the Village is 38 cutties of which from 4 to 7 are cultivated.

6. The Acting Sub Collector Mr. Blair recommended Gafoor sahib's proposal for 10 years should be accepted and in this opinion I concur. tho' I am of opinion that considering there may be 650 acres in the Village. Gafoor sahibs offer is very favorable to himself tho' he will have considerable difficulties to commence with it would be fair to agree with him that if the village

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village is surveyed and assessed ere this lease expires. he will from the year after the assessment, agree to pay the full assessment till his term of engagement expires or give up the lease.

Masulipatam Collr. Cutcherry 22d June 1857. } Signed J. G. Knox Actg. Collr.

Bd No. 2501

Proceedings thereon 1. Ambapoorum is

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without inhabitant. Its lands have been cultivated for some time past by persons from other villages Guffoor Sahib it is understood is an inhabitant of Beymada and Ambapoorum, though not so stated. is probably in the Beymada Talook & is one of the Villages which were deserted during the famine and sickness about 30 years ago. The total ayacut of the village is 38 Cutties or 620 acres of which about 1/7 is under cultivation. The highest average revenue from this

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this village during the last 30 years is below. Rupees 200 Guffoor Sahibs offer for the proposed 10 years lease is as follows.

Rupees 225 for the first year.
250 for second Do.
300 for third Do.
350 for fourth Do.
400 from the fifth inclusive to the close of the 10 years lease.

2.- The effect of Guffoor Sahibs offer will be the reclamation of the village and the Board resolve to submit it for the favorable consideration of Government. Guffer Sahibs further request for an advance of Rs. 500 repayable in 10 yearly instalments to build 25 houses in the Village the Board do not support, because they are of opinion that such assistance should not be given except under special circumstances

In

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In the present case the Board believe that the applicant is fully able to do all that is necessary for the reclamation of the Village without pecuniary aid from Government.

3. Copy of the Endorsement of the Acting Collector on Petition No. 893 of 1855 from Gyffoor Sahib and copy of the Proceedings of the Commissioner for the Northern Circars thereon dated 12th April 1856 No. 273 are forwarded for the information of Government.

To

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No. 63

To,

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

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Bd. No. 257
From the Collector of
Bellary

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st Instant No. 1835, calling for the special report on the mode in which the arrangement experimentally sanctioned for remunerating Stamp Darogahs and Vendors has been found to operate, and in reply beg to inform you that the arrangement was not commenced until the 1st July 1852 and therefore the term of 5 years expires to the end of this Month and a Special report on the subject will be submitted to the Board as soon after the 1st July as possible

Bellary,
Collector's Office
25th June 1857
Order thereon

(Signed) C. Pelly,
Collector.

Ordered to be recorded

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No 127

To

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

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Bd No 2535
From the Ag. Coltr of
Madura

Sir,

With reference to Para 3 of Extract Proceedings of the Court of Wards of the 25th November last, I have the honor to forward copy of a letter from the Acting Sub Collector and its enclosure relative property left by the late Guardian of the minor Zemindar of Ayacoody.

2. With reference to Para 2 of the Acting Sub Collector's letter, I have the honor to request the sanction of the Court for disbursement of Rupees 5,802-8-1 out of the ready money left by the deceased.

3. With reference to Para 4 of that Officer's letter, I beg to support the recommendation of the Acting Sub Collector that the widows may be allowed to retain the Punnah and Puttah lands and in addition assign them a money pension to the amount proposed in para 4.

Madura,
24th June 1857

(Signed) R. F. Sullivan,
Acting Collector

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No 1
No 106

To, The Acting Collector of
Madura.

Sir,

The enclosed statement shows the property left by the late Guardian of the minor Zemindar of Ayacoody, Obalacondah Naitz.

2. From this will have to be deducted Rupees 5,802-8-1 the amount of deceased's debts reported to you in my letters dated 9th & 25th March 1857 respectively.

3. The instructions conveyed in Extract Proceedings of the Court of Wards under date 26th November 1856, have been carried out.

4. With reference to Para 8 of the Extract, the widows are very unwilling to relinquish the Punnay and Puttah lands. They venture to hope they may be allowed to retain them and that in addition the Court will see fit to assign them a money Pension.

5. They request further that 148-8-- Coolies of Nunjah land which at the rates imposed yield an assessment of Rupees 314--6 converted by their husband at a considerable outlay in the Combay Coole

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Cowle may be given them on a Pomyal tax of 3 Fanams per Gooly. Their object in this request is the support of a small Pagoda be constructed in Ayacoody and endowed with this Land.

6. In regard to the two first propositions, I think them not unreasonable. The latter I would leave entirely for the consideration of the Court of Wards, merely remarking that it is natural the widows should wish to see the intentions of their husband carried out.

7. The direct support the widows receive from the Punnay Lands as expressed by the figures in the Statement is Rupees 489-9-4; but I question whether this sum does not very much exaggerate the advantage they really derive. When these Lands were taken by the deceased on contract it was supposed that it was the best arrangement that could be made for the Estate, and it is doubtful whether, were they under an arrangement, much more would be obtained from

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from them than is now paid.

8. The widows, it is hardly necessary for me to say receive no direct assistance in the Puttah Lands as they occupy them on the same terms as any other cultivator.

9. I would recommend that they be permitted to enjoy both these lands and that in addition a money pension of 35 Rupees each per mensem be awarded them. This sum is not much more than is allowed the Widows of the late Zemindar, and it must be remembered that those Widows have small monthly sums allotted for the repair of their houses, keeping household utensils in order &c, besides participating in the sums disbursed annually for the celebration of festivals & other ceremonies on account of the Estate.

10 In conclusion it were well to mention that the Widows having no other heirs any property they may become possessed of must come to the Minor and nothing therefore will be lost to the Estate eventually by making them an ample provision.

Ansd in Letter 30th May 1857

(Signed) S. R. Cockerell
Ag. Sub Collector

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Statement of the property left by the deceased Oblacondama Nait Guardian of the Minor Zemindar of Ayacoody.

Particulars	Land	Tyent a/cep. ment	Cowle assess- ment
	Cawt. A. Ps.	a/c Ps.	a/c
Combay Cowle	2,888 4	2,074 1	5,018 2 11
Minor's Punnay land under Cowle for 5 years	200 4	1,189 9 4	700 - -
Puttah land	19 13	112 14 9	113 14 9
Rent free Perpetual Cowle in Ayacoody	220 14	800 6 -	- - -
Combay putty Village	1,173. 9.	2,404. 3 11	- - -
	4,564 7	6,581. 3. 3	1,831 1 8

Ready money left	6,088 1 9
Gold jewels estimated value	4,503 1 -
Silver — Do — Do	129 12 -
Brass utensils — Do	269. 7. 9
Piece of ground bought by the deceased at Madura for building purposes	800 - -
	11,740 9 6

30th Augt 1857.

(Signed) S. R. Cockerell
Acting Sub Collector

(True Copies)
(Signed) R. J. Sullivan
Acting Collector
Proceedings

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Bd. No. 2476
Proceedings thereon
& Cons. 25 November 1856
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With reference to the Report of the Collector of Madura under date the 26th September 1856, and in consideration of the resumption, from the Estate of their deceased husband, and their near relationship to the Minor Zemindar, the Court of the Wards sanction the Grant from the income of the Ayagoody Estate of a pension of 35 Rupees per Mensem to each of the 2 Widows of the late Oblatondama Nait, Uncle of the Zemindar.

Para 5.

2. They will not object moreover to their being allowed, in accordance with the recommendation of the Acting Sub Collector to hold 218 — 8 Goolies of land out of which the Acting Sub Collector terms the Combay Cowle at a teerwa of 3 Fanams per Goly to enable them to carry out the wishes of their husband as regards a Pagoda — This teerwa, being a reduced one, will however be subject to revision at the pleasure of the Zemindar when he becomes of age.

3. The above allowances are in addition to the Punnay and Puttah lands which they were permitted to hold by the Board's Proceedings of the 25th November 1856.

To

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No 93

To

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

(789)

Br No 2050
From the acting
Collector of Ganjam

Sir,

Reporting that the Sahildar of Mohery has been suspended.

I have the honor to report for the information of the Board that I have felt it my duty to suspend Parankoosheem Nursaiah, Sahildar of Mohery on the following grounds. Strong suspicion, amounting nearly to moral certainty of his having taken a share of a bribe extorted from Pasupoolaty Bashiarow /the Prosecutor in Case No 22 of 1857 on the Assistant Agents file/ a Subject of the Engineers Department by threats of bringing a charge of murder against him. He shot a bird in a tank, an oriya brahmin went in to get it on his own account and without being asked he was drowned, on this one Chinna Venkiah /1st Prisoner/ came to the Prosecutor and obtained 120 Rupees from him, another man /the 2d Prisoner/ Bhurta Bissoyi got 14 Rupees, and this second man charges the Sahildar with having received Rupees 40-

&c.

Fort St George 25th July 1857.

2. It is shown that the Sahildar kept the Carnum and Carpee under surveillance for 4 days and delayed settling the case a most simple one/ as there was not a fear found on the body or any reason to suppose there was foul play/ for 23 days - The two prime movers in the case have been convicted - I have called for some papers not on the record, before I come to a final decision in this case as to the Sahildars complicity -

3. There is another serious charge of Bribery pending against him and one has been dismissed by Captain Smith who however considers the case a suspicious one - I have called up the record for perusal

4. The Sahildar has been most dilatory in supplying the Executive Officers with information for which he has been fined, but to no effect - He spoke to Lieutenant Phillips in a very disrespectful way on more occasions than one, and appears to me to have been trying to throw difficulties in the way and annoy that gentleman for having complained against him -

3. His collections have been very bad though the season was good and prices high -

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high. He is a good Revenue Officer and had he done his duty, there is no reason why his balances should be more than those of the other Talooks. I have put Chatty Rustingarow to act for him he was formerly Tahsildar but reduced by order of Government dated 18th June 1856 No. 620, since that he has, agreeable to Polakey given the Principal Assistant Collector and myself every cause to be satisfied with him, and I hope the reduction he has had will be deemed sufficient punishment.

6. I have also to inform the Board that the Goomsur Tahsildar, C. Tenniah, having at his own request and on account of ill health been removed to the post of Cash Keeper at this Treasury, vacant by the retirement of B. Inggunadarow on a pension. I have promoted Gandy Balaramiah, Sheristadar of Rimedy to Goomsur - he is a clever intelligent young man and was very active and useful during the Rimedy disturbances, and he will I think do justice to his charge.

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

Signed W. Keene
Acting Collector
Proceedings

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Bd. No. 2480
Proceedings thereon.
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The Board await the Acting Collector's report after full enquiry into the charge against the Tahsildar Parankoosheem Nurseiah.

2. The Circular Order do. not require report of the appointment of a Tahsildar.

No. 128.

To,

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

Sir,

With reference to the Extract from the Proceedings of the Board dated 5th Instant No. 1928 conveying the despatch of the Honorable Court of Directors under date the 1st April last, I have the honor to intimate for the information of the Board, that I have, with reference to the 1st Para of the Despatch, issued necessary orders to exempt in future the Iron manufactured by the Indian Iron Company from the payment of "Export Duty" as directed thereon - As respects the 2d Para in consequence of the accounts of my office not shewing the detail of the particular Agents belonging to the Company alluded to above,

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Bd. No. 2553
From the Acting Collector of Madura

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11857

Fort St George 23d July 1857.

I am not able to refund as Ordered the amount of "Export Duty" already levied on Iron articles

2. To prevent evasion of duty by others than those belongeing to the Company in question, I beg to Suggest that the Representatives of the Company should be furnished with licenses.

Madura
25th June 1857.

Bl No 2495

/ Signed / R. S. Sullivan,
Acting Collector

Proceedings thereon.

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The Acting Collector is informed that under the circumstances stated the refunds need only be made on the application of the parties concerned with whom it will rest to afford Satisfactory evidence of their being entitled to such refunds under the orders recently circulated.-

2. In all cases of Shipments also the exporter is bound to Shew that the article is the bonâfide manufacture of the Indian Iron Company.

To

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No 117.

To

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

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Bl No 2584.

From the acting Collector of Masulipatam

Para 1.

Sir,

I have the honor to report, for the information of the Board of Revenue, that yesterday, according to my letter dated 9th June 1857, the Abkarry of this District was put up to Public Auction.- Several parties attended and produced the deposit of 4,000 Rupees but not a single bid was made, and the cause of this silence appears to have been a Sudden opinion that the upset price was too high.-

2. I selected 46,000 Rs as the upset

3. price as it was on the former occasion, the 1st bid made by the present renter.- his second bid being 47,500, and no one ever objected to a measure which I adopted to save the time so uselessly wasted in an auction, and that my upset price was not too high has been proved by a higher offer received from the present renter after the Sale had closed.

4. It is difficult to say what has caused the

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the intrigues and combination in this business, however I think in a pecuniary point of view the interest of Government will not suffer, for with very ordinary exertions the abkarry Revenue should exceed 46,000 Rupees, and the retention of this source of revenue under any management will I think make me to introduce some order among the Distillers and venders of spirituous liquors nothing can be wider from the Regulations than the existing system - but already I have obtained an opinion of the Foujdary Court which reverses certain decisions of the Sessions Judge here, which have rendered nugatory any efforts of the Magistrate to enforce Regulation I of 1820 - It only remains to retain the Abkarry rent under summary and on an early date a detailed report will be forwarded. -

Mashulipatam
Collector's Cutcherry
20th June 1857.
Bd. No. 2481

/ Signed / S. J. Kirby
Acting Collector.

Proceedings thereon
(793 794)

Read the acting Collector has been unable to obtain a fair offer for renting the Abkarry of the entire District, the Board request that he will endeavour to farm out each Taluk separately to proper persons. The Board are averse to the management of the Abkarry revenue of the whole District being undertaken by the officers of Government.

To

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Fort St. George, 23d July 1857.

No. 95.

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

(795)
Bd. No. 2660.
From the Adjt. Collector of Tanjore.....

Sir,

In forwarding the accompanying advertisement for the sale of certain lands belonging to a Merasadar who is a defaulter for an arrear of Rupees 116-7-1, due on account of Fusly 1265, I have the honor to explain that no personal property of any kind being available for distraint in satisfaction of the balance, a portion of the defaulter's landed estate has been attached - The arrear in question has accrued on land left waste owing to disputes between the Merasadar and another, arising out of a private transaction for the transfer of the land. -

If real property may be sold under Regulation XXVIII of 1802 where personal property is not forthcoming, I beg that sanction may be given for the sale of the land specified in the advertisement. -

I take this opportunity of requesting the Board's instructions whether adverting to the provisions of section III, Regulation XXVIII, of 1802, the houses of defaulting Ryots may be

attached

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attached and sold in the absence of personal property, and whether the previous sanction of the Board is necessary for such sale-Cases arise where Meerasidars posses the ability to discharge their balances, but withhold them from contumacious motives and where no other property is forthcoming but houses and lands.

Tanjore ..... Cullumadoo, 30th June 1857.

/Signed/ H. D. Phillips,
Acting Collector.

Advertisement

Number	Number of Taluk	Number of Village	Number of defaulters	Extent			Assessment			Amount of arrears		
				V	M	Gr	Rs	As	P			
1	1	1	1	"	9	33	15	4	8.	-	-	-

B. No. 2507.
Proceedings thereon.
(795-796)

The Board observe that under Regulation XXVIII of 1802 lands can only be sold by application to the Courts and after the close of the Revenue year.

2. The Board question the legality of selling a defaulter's house in the manner proposed. In cases of default through contumacy the Collector can resort to imprisonment after sale of personal property under Section XXXIV, Regulation XXVIII, of 1802.

To

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No. 291

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

(797)

B. No. 2612.
From the Civil Auditor ..... Sir,

I have the honor to request you will be so good as to return to this Office the two bills for Sadewarad charges of the Magisterial Department in the Collectorate of Malabar for the months of March and April last, forwarded to you with my letter of the 13th Ultimo, in view to your obtaining the necessary sanction to the same and which has since been communicated to this Office.

Civil Auditor's Office, Fort St. George, 2d July 1857.

/Signed/ F. Huslington,
Civil auditor.

B. No. 2499
797-775
Resolution thereon.

Ens in Fr. Civil auditor 13th June Inl bonds. 4th July 1857.

Resolved that the 2 Bills be returned to the Civil auditor

No. 141.

To, I. D. Sim, Esqre
Acting Secretary to the
Bart of Wards,
Fort St. George.

(799)

B. No. 2677.
From the Actg Collector of Madura ..... Sir,

I have the honor to request sanction to file a Plaint of which the enclosed is

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is a draft in the Subordinate Court of Madura on account of the Shevagungah Estate-

Madura, 3d. July 1857. } (Signed) R. J. Sullivan,
Acting Collector.

No. 1

Draft of a Plaint to be presented by the Government Vakeel at the Subordinate Court of Madura.-

Plaintiffs

1 Mr. R. J. Sullivan, Act. Agent to the Court of Wards, & Act. Collector of Madura -

2. Daiseegaun Iyengar, Officiating Guardian to the Minor Zemindar of Shevagungah.

Vers.

Defendant

Amarabadzah Pillay, Curnum of Tachakoody and 9 other Villages in the Talook of Saukay, Shevagungah Zemindary.-

The object of this Suit is to procure the dismissal of the Defendant from the Office of Curnum of Tachagoody and 9 other Villages, to cause him to deliver to the Plaintiffs all the accounts in his possession, and to pray that this Court will adjudge him to pay Rupees 23 & As. 3. being the value of Paddy embezzled by him. Defendant enjoys an income of Rupees 35-1-8 per annum.

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1 Tachakoody
2 Keelamalay
3 Santamungalum
4 Nundyendul
5 Semmanthorcottay
6 Collangoody
7 Cottagoody
8. Chenna Cottagoody
9 Melvoyal and
10 Vunnahvoyal.

1. The Defendant is the Curnum of the Villages noted in the margin, situated in the Talook of Saukay in the Shevagungah Zemindary now under the management of the Court of Wards. He is found to have made certain fraudulent entries in the Nunjah Adavaroum Individual accounts of Tachakoody and Keelamalay Villages (by exhibiting a low estimate of crops) for Fusly 1265, and also to have misappropriated to his own use 2.5 Cullums and 7 Veer of Paddy, being part of the produce of Tachakoody Village. Of this quantity 12-9-3 Cut are due to the Minor Zemindar as his Melwaram share, valued at Rs. 23 & As. 3.-

2. The Ambalgar, Mongagar and Sampradys who connived with the Defendant and aided him in the Commission of the frauds, have been dismissed from their situations by the Collector, but this suit is brought under the Regulations in force to procure the dismissal of the Defendant and for the recovery of the amount embezzled by him.-

3. Under these circumstances, the Government Vakeel, on behalf of the Plaintiffs, prays that this Court will be pleased to pass a just Decree in the case.-

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

Madura ... } 3d. July 1857. }

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Bd. No. 2483.

Fort St. George, 23d July 1857

Proceedings thereon. The Court of Wards authorize the Acting Collector to cause the proposed suit to be filed in the subordinate Court of Madura.

No. 104.

To,

I. D. Sim, Esqre.

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue.

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Bd. No. 2721.

From the Collector of Coimbatore ..... } Sir,

In reply to Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 25th. Ultimo No. 2178, I beg to inform the Board, I carefully visited the spot, in company with Colonel Lawrence, and my Surveyor Mr. Williams and purposely left the space A.A.A. open for access along the side of Colonel Lawrence's property, and also had a new path, specially cut, for public use. there is also access on another point Colonel Lawrence himself was anxious not to monopolize unfairly any land.

Plan retransmitted

Coimbatore ..... } / Signed / E. B. Thomas,
Collector's Office, } Collector.
3d July 1857 .... }

Bd. No. 2497

Proceedings thereon, Under the explanation afforded in the foregoing letter and paras VII and VIII of the Manual of Instructions for the grant of lands on the Neilgherries, the Board of Revenue,

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agreeably

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agreeably to the recommendation of the Collector, direct that the land applied for by Colonel Lawrence measuring 2 Cawnies, 6 Grounds, and 830 Square feet, be put up to Public auction at the upset price of Rupees 20-12-- calculated at 8 years' Quit Rent, and that it be knocked down to the highest bidder, or to the applicant, if there be no advance upon the upset price, subject to the conditions and limitations of the said Manual.

2. The Board now conclude that the road to the west of the land above referred to is a private avenue and not a public thoroughfare

No. 167.

To,

J. D Sim, Esqre.

Acting Secretary to the

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Bd. No. 2694.

From the Collector of North Arcot ..... } Sir,

Board of Revenue,

Fort St. George.

I have the honor to report the death on the 4th. Instant of Coopoo Naid, the individual who was recently put in possession of the Nargunty Polliem, in pursuance of a decree of the Civil Judge and

with

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with the permission of the Board of Revenue conveyed in Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 27th. March 1857 Cooppoo Naid has left a son named Venga-mah Naik who is said to be 30 years of age and capable of undertaking the manage-ment of the Poliem.-

To B.R. 20th. September 1837
From B.R. 2d. Nov.r 1837
To B.R. 22d. June 1838
From B.R. 16th. July 1838
To B.R. 17th. August 1838
From B.R. 30th. Augt. 1838

2. The correspondence noted in the margin refers to the subject of this Poliem-

3. I have considered it proper pend-ing the receipt of the Orders of the Board to keep the Poliem under attachment, and I have accordingly entertained an Amenah and a peon on salaries of 10 and 3 p. Rupees respectively for the man-agment of the Poliem.-

North Arcot, ...
Collector's Cutcherry,
Chittoor, 8th. June 1857.

(Signed) C. Whittinghame
Collector.

B.R. No. 2182.

Proceedings thereon- The Board of Revenue are of opinion that the Nargunty Polliem should be made over to the son of the late Cooppoo Naid- The Collector will act accordingly.

(803-804)

To

Fort St. George 23d. July 1857.

No. 99

To

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

(805)

B.R. No. 2715
From the Collector of Madras

Recommending that as a temporary measure one Columbo Arrack shop at the Dowle of a Gallon daily be given to Mr. Bancroft to try the experiment whether Cooling arrack by Ice will be found acceptable to the public.

Sir,

Mr. Bancroft, the Agent for the supply of Ice, has requested me to issue to him a License for the sale of Columboo Arrack- He states that the cooling of Arrack at Bombay by Ice, has been found acceptable to the public, and has added to the consumption of Ice- Being naturally inclined to try the same experiment here, he has endeavoured without success to prevail upon some Columboo Arrack shopkeeper to transfer his licence in his name- He then intended to purchase one of the shops last they this year been submitted to public competition, but has it was thought preferable to continue the Abkarry rents for this Fusly on the Dowle of the last, his intention has been frustrated.-

2. His only alternative is to request the Board to give him a shop in addition to the present number, and I do not see objection to his wish being granted, if he can obtain his shop in the usual manner, i.e. if no valid protest being made by the residents on the vicinity of the site he may select.-

He

3. He asks for only one Gallon daily, and that merely for one year, and will probably close the shop within a few months, for he has no wish to become a licensed vendor, but only to try the experiment whether cooling the arrack by Ice will find favour with the public, and thus increase the consumption of Ice, and a few months will determine that question.

4 Under these circumstances I would recommend that, as a temporary measure, one shop at the dowle of a Gallon daily, be given to Mr. Bancroft, in addition to the 47 shops usually licensed.

Madras
7th July 1857

/Signed/ B. Cunliffe
Collector

B. No. 2498
Proceedings thereon

(805-806)

The Board are unable to accede to the Collectors' proposal. The 47 shops already licensed appear quite sufficient for the wants of the people and the Board do not consider it advisable to assist in stimulating the desire for intoxicating liquors.

(807)

B. No. 2728

From the Assist. to the Chief Engineer

No. 1844

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works, Fort Saint George, Under date the 8th July 1857.

Read the following letter from The Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Forwarding an estimate from the Acting Collector of Malabar for repairing the Pycarra Travellers' Bungalow and recommends the same for sanction

> H. E. No. 2564 dated 24th June 1857.

Resolved that the estimate submitted with the foregoing letter amounting to Company's Rupees 1720/ seven hundered and twenty be passed for execution agreeably to the recommendation of the Board of Revenue.

Resolved also that a copy of the above proceedings be communicated to the Board of Revenue, to the Collector, and the District Engineer of Malabar, for their information.

To the Secretary to the Board of Revenue

/True Extract/
/Signed/ P. O'Connell, Lieut. &c.
Asst. to the Chief Engineer in Temp. Charge of the 5th Circle

Order

Bd. No. 2508
Order thereon
(807-808)

Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Collector of Malabar

No. 100.

To, The President and Members of the Board of Revenue

(809)
Bd. No. 2808
From the Sub Treasurer

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Acting Secretary's letter No. 2374 of yesterday's date, transmitting for deposit at the General Treasury, the (2) Two, Government Promissory Notes amounting to Company's Rupees (15,000) Fifteen thousand, belonging to certain minors under the Court's Wardship.

Fort St. George
General Treasury
14th July 1857

/Signed/ S. D. Birch
Sub Treasurer

Order thereon
(809-810)

Ordered to be recorded

No. 89

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

(811)
Bd. No. 2918
From the Collr. of Rajahmundry

Sir,

Fort St. George

I have the honor to acknowledge the

receipt of the Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue under date the 13th ultimo forwarding Extract from the Minutes of Consultation of the 1st Idem, and in reply to state that there are no political stipendiaries in this District.

Rajahmundry District
Collector's Office
Cocanada, 16th July 1857

/Signed/ A. Pearris
Collector

(811-812)

Order thereon

Ordered to lie over

No. 102

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

(813)
Bd. No. 2922
From the Bd. Collr. of Guntoor

Sir,

Fort St. George

In reply to the Board's Circular No. 2225 of the 19th Ultimo, I have the honor to state that in all the new irrigation Channels from the Kistnah annicut the Department of P. W. takes the management of the distribution of the water, which is entrusted to Goomastahs

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Goomastahs under the Executive Officers and that the tanks are generally left under the control of the revenue Officers as formerly.

2. In the present imperfect state of things there seems no alternative but for the Engineer Department to make the best arrangements available for the distribution of the scanty water tho' Iconceive that as the branch channels are brought to a more finished state with the requisite sluices it will be better to leave the distribution to the revenue authorities who can make application as necessity requires for the several head sluices to be opened for a stated number of days. It by no means seems desirable that the adjudication of disputes about the distribution of water should be left to the Goomastahs of the Engineer Department, as the revenue Officers must have better means of ascertaining and deciding upon the nature of the claims, while the opposite course would seem to devolve the responsibility for arrangements for cultivation and the revenues consequent upon it

The

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3. The revenue servants charged with the distribution of water are the samoodaars under the superintendence of the Tahsildar, and the Village Servants, such as Mohtands & and Vetty men, and in carrying out the arrangements when necessary. There are no tank Monegars in this District.

4 In reference to para 3, it may be observed that for the Kishna irrigation the Enamdaars are now charged a teerwa jasty of Rupees 4 an acre imposed progressively on their wet cultivation. In other places it is customary to charge them dasabhagum or 1/10th of the gross produce, and again in some localities "gattitoom" which is 1/20th of the produce.

5. In some cases also there are tanks the repairs of which are executed by the proprietors of the same, who levy the dasabhagum direct from the ryots who cultivate under them.

6. There are also dasabundum Tanks,

for

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for the repairs of which the proprietors enjoy enam lands, and in some cases also levy a dasabangum rate for the cultivators.

From the Commissioner N. C. 3d March 1855 No 185
To Do 20th February 1856 No 30
From Do 11th June 1856 No 424
To Do 26th June 1856 No 86.
From Do 7th July 1856 No 553.

The details of the two latter cases have come before the Board in the correspondence noted in the Margin

Collectors Office 18th July 1857

Signed H. Newill
Acting Collector

Order thereon
813-814

Ordered to lie over

No 113

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

815

Sir,

B. No 2903
From the Ag Coll.
of Tanjore

I have the honor to submit the usual detailed accounts of the expenditure incurred

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Combaconum for 1856/57 Rs 477-12-7
Negapatam for 1856/57 Rs 600-0-0
1077-12-7

incurred from the Devastanum funds in the Lungore Khanahs at Combaconum and Negapatam for the official year 1856/57.

The Lungore Khana at Combaconum is under the Superintendence of the Hillah Surgeon and that at Negapatam under that of the Wesleyan Missionary at the Head Assistant Collector

Tanjore 18th July 1857

Signed W. D. Phillips
Acting Collector

Statement

1857

Fort St. George
No. 1

Statement shewing the Extent of relief afforded and the charges incurred at the Lunger Khanah at Coimbatoor for the year 1856/57

Months	Number received: Boarding in the Lunatic Asylum	Residing out side	Total	Rice: Rate of Madras Increased Allowance	Rate of Madras Increased Allowance	Cost: Rs	a	p
1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
May	467	"	467	½	½	29	5	2
June	499	"	499	½	½	31	10	3
July	766	"	766	½	½	45	4	6
August	673	"	673	½	½	41	9	11
September	550	"	550	½	½	34	7	5
October	561	"	561	½	½	35	6	"
November	462	"	462	½	½	28	12	6
December	590	"	590	½	½	32	6	"
January	549	"	549	½	½	28	15	"
February	316	"	316	½	½	17	12	3
March	620	"	620	½	½	34	12	10
April	547	"	549	½	½	30	1	4
Total	6600	"	6600	"	"	391	7	2

Moyaveram, 6th July 1857

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the charges incurred at the Lunger Khanah at

Establishment and Subordinate	Medicines &c.	Total Cost	Expenditure during the preceding year	Amount of Sanction	Saving in the Sanction
8	9	10	11	12	13
Rs A P	Rs a P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P
6 " "	1 3 8	36 8 10	34 12 "	50 " "	13 7 2
6 " "	" 13 "	38 7 3	26 11 9	50 " "	11 8 9
6 " "	1 5 2	52 9 8	36 6 2	50 " "	" " "
6 " "	" 14 8	49 8 7	31 2 "	50 " "	" 7 5
6 " "	1 6 2	41 13 7	36 5 9	50 " "	8 2 5
6 " "	" 9 8	41 15 8	33 15 3	50 " "	8 " 4
6 " "	" 5 6	35 2 4	29 12 6	50 " "	14 14 4
6 " "	" 11 1	39 11 "	38 6 3	50 " "	10 14 11
6 " "	2 8 7	37 7 7	39 10 9	50 " "	12 8 5
6 " "	1 13 5	25 9 8	27 3 11	50 " "	24 6 4
6 " "	1 8 6	42 5 4	27 11 8	50 " "	7 10 8
6 " "	1 2 "	37 3 4	40 " 10	50 " "	12 12 8
72 " "	14 5 5	477 12 7	402 2 10	600 " "	124 13 1

Deduct Excess 2 9 8

Actual Saving Rs 122 3 8

Signed W. M. Cadell
Subcollr

Signed H. D. Phillips
Acting Collector

Statement

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Statement of

Month	Amount of Same Coin	Saving in Rate Same Coin
	12	13
May	50 " " " "	
June	50 " " " "	
July	50 " " " "	
August	50 " " " "	
September	50 " " " "	
October	50 " " " "	
November	50 " " " "	
December	50 " " " "	
1857 January	50 " " " "	
February	50 " " " "	
March	50 " " " "	
April	50 " " " "	
	600 " " " "	

(Signed) P. J. Evers

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No. 76

816

Bd No. 2929 From the Govt Pleader Pros: of the Bd of Revr. 21st July/57 No. 2427 R.D.

No. J. D. Sim Esqre
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of an Extract from the Proceedings of the Board as noted in the Margin.

2. I am of opinion that if Government have determined on appealing against the Decree passed by the Civil Court of Masulipatam in Original Suit No. 103 of 1855. The Acting Collector should within the prescribed time allowed for appealing present to the Civil Court a Petition of appeal for the reasons stated in Para 2 of those Proceedings

3. I have not a copy of the Decree but I imagine the time for appealing must be fast expiring, if it has not done so already, that no time should be lost in proceeding.-

4 I collect that Government have authorized Mr. Knox to appeal, the Minute of Consultation dated the 24th June 1857, No. 638 have not reached me, I shall require the prescribed order authorizing me to conduct the appeal &c.

5 In the event of an appeal, I should be furnished as soon as practicable with full translate Copies of the pleadings, evidence and Decree, in the Court below, together with a Statement of the case in chronological order and reference to any points which Mr. Knox may consider of importance

I have &c.
(Signed) W. Dale
Govt Pleader

Madras 22d July 1857

Bd No. 2486
Orders thereon
816-817

Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Collr of Masulipatam for his information and guidance

Mr. Knox will present a Petition of appeal without delay & will furnish Mr. Dale with the Papers he requires as soon as practicable.-

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Resolved that the following letters be despatched.

To,

The Collectors of Ganjam

(818)

Bd. No. 2485

To the Collectors of Ganjam, Vizagapatam, Rajahmundry, Masulipatam, Nellore, Bellary, Kurnool, Salem, North Arcot, South Arcot, Tanjore, Tinnevelly, Canara, Malabar, Madras, and Sea Customs.

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you that a copy of the Army List for the Quarter ending 30th June last, has been forwarded to you by this days post, and to request that you will remit, to this Office, the sum of Rupees (6) six, being the price, (in advance) of the List for the 3 Quarters of the year.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
23d July 1857.

Signed J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary

To

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To,

The Collector of Cuddalapah

(819)

Bd. No. 2484

To the Collector of Cuddalapah

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you that a Copy of the Madras almanac for this year and one copy of the army List for the quarter ending 30th June last, have been forwarded to you by this day's post, and to request that you will remit to this office the sum of Rupees (11-4-4) Eleven, viz. 5/- for the Almanac and 6 for the List for the three quarters of this year.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
23d July 1857

Signed J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary

Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous letters and Statements.

(820)

My. No. 1586

From the Collr. of North Arcot

Return of fines imposed and stoppages made from the pay of Public servants for 2d qr. ending 30th June 1857.

From

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My No. 1587

821 From the Collector Masulipatam. Informing that no Revenue Defaulters have been confined in Jail during 2d 9th ending 30th June 1857.

822 My No. 1588 From the Collector of Masulipatam Return of Petitions for June 1857.

823 My No. 1590 From the Collector of Canara Rain Report for June 1857.

824 My No. 1589 From the Collector of Malabar. Rain Report for June 1857.

825 My No. 1591 From the Collector of Madura. Account current of Salt for June 1857.

826 My No. 1582 From the Collector of Ganjam. Informs that no Returns of Bullion and specie are forwarded for may last.

827 My No. 1583 From the Collr of Ganjam Informs that no Returns of Bullion and specie are exported for June 1857.

828 My No. 1584 From the Collr of Ganjam Statement of the value of Gold and silver Bullion and specie imported by sea for June 1857

829 My No. 1585 From the Collr of North Arcot Returns of persons charged with offences under Regulation IX of 1822 for June 1857.

830 My No. 1532 From the Collr of Salem Statement of Demand Collection and Balances of Revenue for June 1857.

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue,
Friday, the 24th July 1857.
Read the following papers

831 Bd No. 2824 From the Acting Secy to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, Revenue Dept. under date the 11th July 1857 Passing orders with reference to certain cases of lapsed Peonials in the District of North Arcot } (See No. 702 in separate Volume Page 797

831-832 Bd No. 2197 Order thereon Ordered to be Communicated to the Collector for early reply

Bd No. 2842 From the Acting Secy to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Dept. under date the 15th July 1857

833 Sanctioning the continuance of a moiety of a certain lapsed Dehaut Enam allowance in the District of North Arcot (See No. 711 in Separate Volume Page 798

833-834 Bd No. 2193 Order thereon Ordered to be Communicated to the Collector for his information and guidance

Extract

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Bd No. 2855
From the Acting Secy to Government

835

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Revenue Department under date the 16th July 1857

Communicating an Extract from a Despatch from the Honorable Court on the subject of the transfer of the Government Agency to the Court of Wards—

(See No. 715 in Separate Volume Page 799)

835-836

Order thereon

Ordered to be Recorded—

Read again letter from the Collector of Bellary dated 25th March and entered in Cons 1st April 1857—

Read also again letter from the Collector of Trichinopoly dated 11th April and entered in Consultations 11th May 1857—

837

Bd No. 2509

Proceedings thereon—

Write the foregoing Communications the Collectors of Bellary & Trichinopoly

Submit Revised Estimates of Sudermanee allowances prepared according to the instructions

From Govt 21st January 1857 No. 96 Revenue Department

Julian 27th Febry

issued by Government on the subject. From these it will be seen that the sum proposed to be fixed as the standard for regulating future disbursements on that account in the Bellary district is Rupees 7,104-6-0 and in that

of

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of Trichinopoly Rupees 2,379 the proportions of each Department being as follows—

Items	Bellary Rs	A	P	Trichinopoly Rs	A	P
Revenue Department						
Collectors' office	1,972	8	0	720	0	0
Sub Collectors office	522	7	0	0	0	0
Total Revenue Departt	2,494	15	0	720	0	0
Magisterial Department						
Magistrates office	119	15	0	93	0	0
Joint Magistrates office	35	1	0	0	0	0
Total Magistrates Department	155	0	0	93	0	0
Total Revenue and Magistrate Department	2,649	15	0	813	0	0
District.						
Total Revenue and Police						
Sudermanee	4,754	7	0	1,566	0	0
Grand Total	7,404	6	0	2,379	0	0

	Huzzoor Rs	A	P	District Rs	A	P
Sanctioned Estimate Rupees	2,616	4	0	4,612	0	0
Revenue Estimate	2,649	15	0	4754	7	0
Increase	233	11	0	142	7	0
Total Increase Rs.	376	2	0			
Ten years' average from Fasly 1256 to 1265	7,028	14	0			
Revenue Estimate	7,404	6	0			
Increase	358	8	0			

2— The Estimate of Bellary exceeds that sanctioned by Government on the 22d Febry 1851 by Rs. 376-2 and the average expenditure of the last 10 years by Rs 358-8 as shewn in the Margin—

The increase in the

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the Huzzoor Sadermarcd is attributed by the Collector to a larger quantity of Paper being now required for printing Ryots Receipts, and of Pottahs, and Proclamations, Notices, &c.

3. The Collector explains that although a Reduction of 96 Rupees has been made in the Amount allowed for inks on account of the salaries of the ink makers who were formerly paid from the Huzzoor Sadermarcd and are now included in the Esctra Establishment, there is a small increase in the charge for that item in Consequence of a much larger quantity of a description of inks not procurable in the District being now Required for printing.

4 The Board observe however that the table of charges for printing was so framed as to cover all expenses of the press including inks and they Require explanations before they recommending the admission into the Sadermarcd allowances of a permanent charge for printing inks which should be provided from the funds Received for work performed.

5. The excess in the Talook Revenue and

Extract Minutes Consultation 9th May 1857
In Corr. 18th May

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and Police Sadermarcd is Caused by the additional allowances proposed to be made, a sum of f. Rupees 70-7-0 being allotted for the offices of 9 Police Putwallis and by the entry of a sum of Rupees 72 sanctioned by Government under date 13th June 1856 No 602 for the Police ameen Cutcherry at Ramandroog.

6. The Collector states that the Talook Sadermarcd has been fixed at a certain sum for many years and that no accounts are furnished by the Talookdars of the expenditure

Trichinopoly 7. It will be observed that the Sadermarcd Estimate sanctioned by Government on the 9th July 1851 No 682 Revenue Department, amounted to Rupees 2,636-8- adding to this sum Rupees 210-

In Corr 11th July 1851

From Govt 19th June 1856 In Corr 24th June

the Sadermarcd of the Manapara Talook transferred from Madura the Total amount of the Sadermarcd allowances of the district as at present fixed Rupees 2,646-8 or Rupees 267-8 above the Revised Estimate and Rupees 19-1-4 below the average disbursements of the last 10 years.

	Rs	A	P
Sanctioned Estimate	2,646	8	"
Revised Estimate	2,379	"	"
Increase	267	8	"
Average of 10 years			
From fasly 1256 to 1265	2,398	1	4
Revised Estimate	2,379	"	"
Decrease	19	1	4

In

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8. In these Estimates the Cost of paper that will be Required for the new forms of Village accounts has not been included. The quantity of paper Required on that account in Bellary is estimated at 954¼ Guddies of this quantity 208 Guddies Required for statement No. 5 (which it has been customary to furnish from the Huzzoor) and 267 Guddies for printing the heads of the accounts have been entered in the Revised Estimate leaving 479¼ Guddies or 120 Reams valued at Rs. 390 to be supplied.

+ 120 Sheets: 1 Guddy 4 Guddies 1 Ream.

9. The Collector of Trichinopoly does not state the quantity of paper that will be Required for the above purpose in his district, but estimates the expense at 1,200 per annum. This sum seems excessive Compared with the Charge on the same account in Bellary which is a much larger district. The Collector is therefore Requested, when Submitting his Estimate for paper for the Village accounts, to give the details of the quantity needed.

10. Under the explanations afforded in the preceding paras the Board Recommend that

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that the Revised Estimates of Saderwared allowances for the Bellary and Trichinopoly Districts — amounting to Rupees 7,694-6 and Rupees 2,379 respectively may Receive the Sanction of Government the same to have effect from the Commencement of Fasly 1267. The Board have excluded from the Bellary estimate Rupees 100 for Printing inks and have added to it Rupees 390 for paper for the new forms of Village accounts. It may also be observed that the Contemplated transfer of Talooks from the Bellary to the Bunnoor District will necessitate a re-adjustment of the Saderwared allowances.

	Rs. A. P.
+ Collectors Estimate	7,104 " 6
Deduct for printing Inks	100 " "
	7,304 " 6
Add for Village accounts	390 " "
	7,694 " 6

11. In pursuance of the instructions of Govern: ment dated 3d July 1858 No. 685 Revenue Department, the Board called upon the several Collectors to furnish Estimates of the quantity of paper Required for the new Village accounts. As soon as these Estimates are received the Board will, after Careful examination, submit them for the orders of Government.

12. The Board have deemed it advisable to

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to submit at once the Bellary and Trichinopoly Underwared Estimates without waiting till those from other districts are received in order to obviate the delay which would otherwise occur in disposing of the subject—

Ordered that a Copy of these Proceedings be submitted for the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council with reference to paras 2 and 3 of the Extract Minutes of Consultations dated 21st January 1857 No. 96 Revenue Department—

Read again Estimate from the Collector of South Arcot dated 21 and entered in Miscellany Con. 25 April 1857—

Read also again Estimate from the Collector of South Arcot dated 13 & entered in Mis. Cons. 18 May 1857—

838
No. 2440
From the Coll. of Masulipatam— Read Estimate of Extra Charges for
19 June 1857 July 1267—

839
No. 2417
From the Collector of
Trichinopoly 19 June 1857 } — Read Estimate of Extra charges
for July 1267—

840
No. 2421
From the Collector of
Madras 22 June 1857 } Read Extra charges for ensuing July.

Ordered

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Ordered to be submitted with the following letter—

To The Acting Secretary to Government.

Sir,

838-841
B. C. No. 2510

To the Acting Secretary to Government—

Adverting to the instructions issued by the Civil Auditor on the subject of Contingent Extra and variable Charges the Board observe that Charges for Covering heaps and other such purposes in the Salt department and for binding Books need not be entered in the Estimate of Extra Charges proposed to be incurred, but will be passed by the Civil Auditor on ordinary audit— They have therefore excluded the charges from Rs. 1 to 23 with the exception of Rs. 19 for which sanction is solicited—

2. They observe that this was pointed out to the Collector in Reference to the Estimates submitted for July 1266—

3. As rules for the supply of belts are in course of preparation the Board have excluded from the Estimate of Masulipatam and South Arcot the charges proposed to be incurred on that account—

Masulipatam Rs. 25-0-0
South Arcot Rs. 7-8-0

Deducting

* Covering Letter
Binding Books 139 " " 1-5-8-0 " 1-10-0 " "

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4. Deducting the items above noticed the Board recommend that under the explanation afforded by the several Collectors sanction be granted for the proposed disbursements amounting to Rupees 369 Three hundred and Sixty-nine

Revenue Board office
Fort St George
21th July 1857

(Signed) L. Forbes,
Ag. Sub Secretary

No. 1

Estimates of Extra Charges proposed to be incurred in July 1857 in the undermentioned districts submitted for the orders of Government—

No	Districts	Estimated Charges for July 1857	Estimated Charges for July 1857	Increase	Decrease	Remarks of the Board of Revenue or Order of Government
Rc 2410	19th June 1857 Masulipatam	15	178	163		
	Inf 24 July					
My 905	21st April 1857					
	Inf 25 April South Arcot	36	36			
My 1077	13th May					
	Inf 16 May					
No 2117	20 June Trichinopoly					
	Inf 24 June 57					
No 2411	22 Do					
	Madras	155	155			
	Inf 24 July 57					
	Totals Rupees	170	369	199		

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(Signed) L. Forbes,
Ag. Sub. Secretary.

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Read the following Papers

No. 93.

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

842

B. No. 2095

From the Ag. Collector of Masulipatam

Sir,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Board's Proceedings dated 22nd May 1857 No. 1714 and to reply thereto as follows:

2. Under the old system the cost permanently sanctioned for both Cotaurs was only Rs. 421-14- which provision was made for 20 persons at Pondaroo But for the last 20 years and more 20 additional persons on Rupee 4 each per Mensem have been employed and their cost adjusted from year to year as part of the additional Establishment of the District Hence Rs. Fraser in his letter of 21. June 1856 No. 64 quoted Rupees 501-14- merely as the present cost of both Cotaurs, and not as appears to have been supposed by the Board their permanently sanctioned Cost—

The difference between the total and actual cost Rupees 501-14- and the sanctioned as per Permanent Cost Rupees 421-14- is Rs. 80 which for 6 Months and add is Rs. 506-13-11 which is therefore the correct sum Requiring Sanction

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Sanction - The amount of Rupees 488 sanctioned by Government does not enter into Calculations affecting any Costs previous to 2d January 1857 when for the first time for the Reasons explained in my former letter it became the authorized Standards of expence -

3. Regarding the 16 temporary peons these were entertained in July 1263 when owing to the extraordinary quantity of Swamp Salt Collected additional peons were Required to guard the additional plat forms - The quantity of salt in Store is so much Reduced by Sales in Fusley 1263 64-65 and 66, that the services of these peons are no longer Required and orders have been issued for their dismissal from 1st June - It is hardly necessary to observe that the Cost of these was adjusted in the same manned as that for the 20 peons alluded to in para 2 - The cost of these 16 peons from 1st July 1856 to 31st May 1857 is Rupees 704-0-0 for which also the sanction of Government is requisite -

4. It has been already explained in my previous letter why the charge on account of these 20 and 16 peons was not included in the Estimate of additional Establishment for Fusley 1266 -

Masulipatam,
Collectors Cutcherry,
28th May 1857 -

(Signed) T. I. Pharoah,
Acting Collector

Ordered

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Ordered that the following letter be sent

To,
The Civil Auditor

Sir,

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Br No 2514

To
The Civil Auditor

From Jg Colls 2 incl 22d May 57
From do 28th May
in Con 24th July -

I am directed to request that you will state the sum for which the Acting Collector of Masulipatam requires special sanction under the following circumstances -

2. It appears from the letter noted in the margin, that the charge permanently sanctioned for the Salt Cotaurs of the Masulipatam District prior to the order of Government of the 30th January 1857 amounted to 421-14-0, and that it has been usual to incur a further expence for 36 Extra Peons as a part of the Extra Establishment of the District sanctioned year by year -

In Cons 18th February 1857 3

The order of Government of the 30th January 1857 No 118 Revenue Department, alluded to above sanctions an Establishment at Condracca to which the manufacture of salt for the Masulipatam District is eventually to be confined, at a Monthly charge of Rs 488 per mensem but it was not actually entertained till the 12th January 1857 up to which date from the 1st July 1856, the old Establishment was

continued

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continued at Pondraca with 20 additional Peons on 4 Rupees a Month each.

4. The total charge for these 20 Peons in addition to the amount Sanctioned prior to the 30th January 1857 for the period above mentioned was 506—13—11 for which the Acting Collector applies for special Sanction, but the Board are doubtful whether the amount requiring Sanction is so great — It appears to them that you may consider yourself justified in admitting a charge of 448 Rupees per Mensem from the 1st July 1856 although the Pondraca Establishment was not put on that footing before the 12 January 1857 - If such be the case a deduction will have to be made equal to the difference between 421-4 and 448 per Mensem for the period during which these Peons were employed — On this point the Board request to be favoured with your instructions.

5. The remaining 16 Extra Peons were employed, it appears from the 1st July 1856 till the 31st May last In his letter of the 2d May the Acting Collector proposed to debit them to the account

of

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of Extra Peons for the Collection of Revenue but from his last communication would now seem to desire to obtain Separate Sanction which the Board presume would be more regular course.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St George,
25th July 1857.

/ Signed / J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary

To

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

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After Bd No 2422
From the Collector of
Chingleput 3

Sir,

I have the honor to inform the Board, with reference to their Endorsement on the accompanying Petition No 1803 of 1857, that the complaint of the Petitioners arises out of the Board's Proceedings of the 25th August 1856 No 2720, which enjoins a proportion of Pulmootum being carried to account instead of being wholly remitted, and that the redress sought is consequently in the Board's own hands in reviewing their Proceedings referred to.

2. I believe the complaint of the Petitioners to be just and deserving of the Board's attention,

and

and that a modification of the Board's instructions will conduce to the welfare of the Ryots, and render the settlement more easy of collection

3. I beg to submit a statement shewing the Board's instructions carried into practice — which will shew them more easily than words, the nature of the remedy to be applied

4. The first case is that of a Ryot cultivating half a Cawney of land assessed at Rupees 5—4— It will be seen that the estimated value of the Mailwaram share of the Produce is only Rupees 1—9—4 leaving a deficiency of Rupees 3—10—8 The Board's Proceedings require that a proportion of this deficiency shall be paid, and it is this which the Petitioners object to, as they can only pay it by trenching on their future profits, or selling their property

5. The other cases are equally clear, and I would submit them to the Board with the hope that they will reconsider their

their instructions, and allow the Ryots full remission on their Palamottum, and bring none of it to account

6. The Sayer Talook has suffered so much of late years, that I am in no hopes of realizing my portion of Palamottum brought into the settlement without the sale of the Ryots property, and the consequent increase of suffering in future years

Chingleput District
Collector's Cutchery
Sydapet
17th June 1857.

(Signed) C. J Shubrick
Collector

Statement

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After No. 1

Fort St George

Statement Shewing the Palamnatum of Chingleput.

24th June 1857.

proposed to be remitted to the Ryots in the Zillah

Palamnatum.

Name	Extent of Land	Descp. ment	Estimate of the Pro. duce in Maracals	Malavaram Share	Sts Price	Amount of Sols	Amount with held	Amount remitted
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Cols Rs Rs			C Rs Rs	Pgs A. P.	Pgs A. P.	Pgs A. P.	Pgs A. P.
Maurica Moodelly	" 8 "	5 4	" " 9 "	" 4 6	1 9 4	3 10 8	1 13 4	1 13 4
Sooryan Moodelly	14 2	9 4 4	" 3 "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "
Thaneyachella Moodelly	" "	" "	" "	" 10 6	3 12 4	11 7 10	2 14 "	8 9 10
Aroonachella Moodelly	1 9 10	15 4 3	1 9 4	" 3 "	1 " 8	3 11 5	1 13 9	1 13 8
Appa Balakristna Moodelly	" 7 4	4 12 1	" 6 "	" 3 "	1 " 8	4 4 8	1 1 2	3 3 6
Namasevaya Moodelly	" 9 12	5 3 4	" 6 "	" 3 1	1 1 0	4 5 2	2 2 7	2 2 7
Unjalaroo Savony Moodelly	" 9 8	5 6 8	" 6 2	" 2 2	" 12 8	2 9 2	2 9 2	" " "
Punnecharee Cunthuppa Moodelly	" 10 4	3 5 10	" 4 4	" 1 2	" 7 "	6 10 9	6 10 9	" " "
Soobroya Chetty	" 14 8	7 1 9	" 2 4	" 2 4	" 14 "	2 15 3	" 11 9	2 3 6
Thasavadunga Moodelly	" 7 "	3 13 3	" 5 "	" 8 "	2 12 8	8 2 4	2 " 7	6 1 9
Chinnapien	1 6 4	10 15 "	1 4 "					

Chingleput District Collector's Cutcherry, Sydapet,

19th June 1857 / Signed / C. J. Shubrick

Collector

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Bd No 25-12

Proceedings thereon

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In their Proceedings dated 25th August 1856 No 2720 the Board were desirous of upholding the principle that a portion of the assessment of lands, the produce of which had not entirely failed, should be collected and with this view they authorize the remission of three fourths of the assessment of all Palamcottum above 40 per cent and the retention of one fourth - The Collector however represents that this indulgence is insufficient in the present case and urgently recommends that the entire Palamcottum should be remitted under the circumstances set forth, the Board sanction the remission of the entire Palamcottum as proposed by the Collector as the amount forms part of the demand against the Ryots, it will be included in the irrecoverable Balances -

Ordered that the following Endorsement be passed on Petitions Nos 1803-2105 and 2228 of 1857 -

"Petitioners are referred to the Collector, to whom instruction have been issued on the subject of this Petition." -

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Bd No 24114

From the Collector of North Arcot

No 142

Official Memorandum

With reference to an official Memorandum from the Board of Revenue dated 11th June 1857 No 1983 requesting the Collector to forward, with as little delay as possible, the Original Purwannah referred to in his Tabular report of the 7th March last - the Collector of North Arcot has the honor to forward to the Board Copy of a Persian Purwannah as requested:

The Collector further begs to state for the information of the Board that the Original Purwannah of the said Copy is not forthcoming in the records of his Office, but it appears from a Mahratah book that the original Purwah was taken by Mr George Strattan in 1803 from the Original grantee and the above Copy was furnished to him by that Gentleman.

North Arcot,
Collector's Cutcherry,
Chittoor, 20 June.
1857.

(Signed) C Whittingham,
Collector.

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

Ordered

Ordered that the following

Memorandum be sent

(846-847)

Memorandum.

Dt No. 2491.
Memorandum
To the Collector of
North Arcot

The Collector of North Arcot is requested to forward the original Purwanah of the Village of Patna referred to in his tabular report of the 7th March 1857 – The Purwanah of the Behat Enum Village of Seeray sent by mistake with his Memorandum of the 20th Ultimo No 142. is herewith returned.

In Corr 14th June 1857.

In Corr 24 July/57

Revenue Board Office
Fort St George
24 July 1857.

(Signed) J. D. Sim,
Acting Secretary

No. 126.

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

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Dt No. 2536.
From the Ag Collector
of Madura.

Sir.

In reference to the Proceedings of the Court of Wards of the 25th November last: I have the honor to submit herewith Duplicates of the reports of the Acting Sub Collector

Dated 7th March 1857
24 Dt No 71
13 April No 81

on

on the result of his enquiry into the affairs of the late Allacondama Naik, guardian of the Minor Zemindar of Ayacoody.

2. It will be observed from statement No. I annexed to the Sub Collector's letter that the personal property left by the deceased amounts to Rupees 11,221 of which only Rupees 5,319 is in ready money.

3. Under the circumstances explained by the Sub Collector, I beg to support his recommendation for payment of the debts No. I @ 6 in table No. 2 amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 5,418–13–4 with interest thereon to the date of payment.—

4. As regards No. 7 in the list, I beg to remark that the transaction took place between two parties in which Allacondama Naik acted as representative of the creditor - a dependant of

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of his own and had the bond executed in the name of another dependant, I have at the suggestion of the Acting Sub Collector, Copy of whose letter I submit, ordered to recover the money from the debtor and pay it to the real creditor.

5. I will submit the report promised by the Sub Collector in Dec+ dated 30th May 1857. herewith forwarded in letter No 127 dated 24th April of his first letter when received dated 24th June 1857).

6. They is remark that the amount of debt including interest will be more than counterbalanced by the ready money found of the properties of Oblacandum Nayk and therefore request sanction of the Court for paying the difference from the Funds of the Ayacady Estate in deposit.

Madura,
24th June
1857.

I have &c
(Signed) R. J. Sullivan,
Acting Collector.

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Encl 1
No 62.

To
The Acting Collector of
Madura.

Sir,

Referring to the Proceedings of the Court of Wards dated 25th November 1856, I have the honor to report to you the state in which I find the affairs of the late Guardian of the Minor Poligar of Ayacaudy, Oblacanda-
-ma Naik.

2. He was supposed to have left a large property, but on examining his Treasury at Ayacudy I found in it only Rs 5,516-1-8 and the jewels he has left in Madura and those in accordance with the orders of the Court of Wards allowed to be retained by his widows do not in the aggregate amount in value to more than Rs 4,632-13-"

3. I annexed is a statement+ shewing the amount of ready money found, the estimated value of the jewels left with their description

× Table I

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the estimated value of the furniture including the brass utensils, &c. found in the house of the deceased at Ayacoody together with the estimated value of a piece of ground he purchased in Madura for building purposes shortly before his demise.

4. The depositions that have been made with regards to the Pumnay land held by the deceased on the estate of the Minor Polygar together with the amount of pension it is proposed to allot to his surviving wives in accordance with the decree of the Court of Wards will form the subject of a separate communication.

5. Against the Estate of the deceased must be set his debts the number and amount of which, as far as claims have hitherto been brought forward on it, is shewn in the annexed Table No. II.

6. Before proceeding to detail them separately it seems proper that I should state that when I arrived at Ayacoody for the purpose of examining the treasury of the deceased rumours were afloat that

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that it had been robbed as soon as news of his death reached that place and that I should find very little in it — As regards the latter point these rumours proved correct, but from various circumstances that reached my ears subsequently, I am disposed to give little credence to the former and at all events in the absence of specific proof should be unwilling to cast any suspicion on the supposed perpetrators whose names are mentioned in the enclosed Petition† thrown into my Cutcherry by an unseen hand.

† Herewith Sent

7. In connection with this subject I may remark that the treasury was sealed with the seal of the Manager as well as that of the wives of the deceased.

8. Debt No. 1 on the Table is made up of two items Rupees 600 and Rupees 400 borrowed respectively on the dates 4 December 1855 / 20 Kartiga Ra Rakhasa and 9 December / 25 Do Do 1857 1858 and owing to one Payal Naick of Dvalapooram who produces a consolidated bond for the same. The Bond is attested by two of the Witnesses whose names are attached to it, & one of them

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them deposes to having seen deceased receive both sums while the other was only present when the last was advanced him. on which occasion the bond was drawn ant. It is signed by deceased.

9- Debt No 2 is owing to Chuckoo Rowlen of Ahlore who produces a Bond for it signed by the deceased this bond is spoken to by two of the witnesses who attested it.

10- Debt No 3 is owing to one Ibram Sah of Madura— It is made up of no less than five different items Rs 2,362.-4, Rupees 60, Rs. 135, Rupees 390, and Rupees 170— The first was borrowed by deceased himself on a settlement of accounts with Ibramsah in August 2d. 1856. with whom, from the entries in the bond drawn out on the occasion, he appears to have had a series of dealings extending over a long period— This Bond cancelled a previous one for Rupees 2000 on stamped Cadjan found amongst deceased's papers and which has the edge torn, in lieu of its being to cancelled It is on plain paper and is in like manner torn across and cancelled by the bond on which Ibram

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Ibramsah bases his claim and which was given him by the present Guardian for its amount together with the amount of the other four items mentioned which the Guardian borrowed after the demise of the deceased for his funeral expenses with the express permission of the Collector given in writing authorizing him to borrow what was necessary for the purpose. This Bond is attested by the Guardian and by two of the witnesses to it— The Bond it cancels is also spoken to by one of the Witnesses who signed it and bears the signature of the deceased— The other Witness is not forthcoming—

11- Debt No 4 is the amount of the current unsettled account of the deceased for rice, oil, and other articles of domestic consumption up to the date of his decease, together with that of his family for three months afterwards, with a Jeazarman in Ayacoody by name Sheik Meera Lubbai— each item of the first portion of it up to deceased's death is shewn by Vouchers in the hand- writing of Mandalay Speddy Naick, his confidential friend, and the remainder is Certified in like manner by receipts given by the wives of the deceased, all

of

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of which Shaik Meera Labba produces.-

12. Debt No 5 is owing to one Ven-
=catachellum Chetty of Dindigul who
produces Vouchers for the greater por-
=tion of it in the shape of three letters
to him from the deceased bearing his
signature. The first contains entries of the
number of cloths purchased with their
price up to the date of the letter and shows
a sum of Rs 380-14-3 due. The second
directs Venatachellum Chetty to send
him Rupees 40, and the third calls upon
him to furnish him with Cloths to the
value of 11 Rupees. All these letters are
testified to as bearing the signature
of deceased who is stated by the wit-
nesses, who were examined, his
servants to have received the money
and other articles they represent.
For the balance of 68 Rupees claimed
by Venatachellum Chetty no docu-
ments are produced, but from inti-
=ly amongst the private papers of
the deceased has been discovered
an account setting forth not only
the number of cloths with their
cost mademention of in the letters,
but containing entries of cloths
purchased subsequently of the same
individual and the value of which
amounts to within 15 Rupees of what
Venatachellum Chetty claim

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regard to this sum of 15 Rupees it is
claimed for Cloths purchased previously
to the last of the entries in the private
account in which they may have been
omitted by mistake, and I see no reason
therefore to impute any fraud to the
creditor in claiming it.

13. These are all the debts into
which I have hitherto been able to enquire.
The remaining two will be investigated
as soon as the parties claiming them
with their Witnesses who have not been
able to make their appearance
before me owing, to domestic loss
from Cholera, arrive at my Cutcherry.
and the result submitted to you without
delay. I do not withhold my report
for them as the interest on the other
debts runs on and it would be
advisable to dispose of them as
early as practicable.

14. You will observe that
I have not been able to secure
the depositions of all the witnesses
to the Bonds into which I have
examined, but I consider those
Documents to fully proved from
the internal evidence of their genuineness
in the corroborative accounts left
by the deceased which were found
in places where no person was likely
to search for them and which could
not therefore have been tampered
with

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with and which bear the signature of the deceased - a peculiar one very difficult to intimate successfully, that I think their testimony unnecessary

15. All the documents connected with the investigated debts - I have retained in my Office under seal and they will be sent to you if you desire to see them.

16. I may add with reference to para 6 that one of my chief reasons for absolving the parties accused is the great regularity with which the accounts of deceased were kept which renders it improbable that if any other property was left than that discovered some allusions to it would not have been found in them.

17. The greater portion of the money found in the treasury was discovered by chance knocked up in a receptacle prepared for it sunk in the floor and of solid masonry.

[Signed] J.R. Cockerell,
Asst Collector.

P.S. I have omitted to mention that it is supposed that the Debts we shall find due to the Estate of the deceased will amount in the aggregate to about 1,500 Rs. These has not yet been time to enquire into them, but they will be examined as early as practicable and the result reported to you.

[Signed] J.R. Cockerell,
Asst Collector.

Venkatachellum Chetty

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Table No. I

			Rs a p	Rs a p
Ready Money	Found buried at Ayacoody and sent to the Collectors Treasury		541999	
	Old Coins in Do		26.	
	Found in the deceased's house		971 11	
				5519 1 8
Gold Jewels	48 Jewels delivered into the Collectors Treasury		3607 8.	
	14 Do in the Deceased's wives		847 8 -	
	9 Do Small found in his house		48 1 -	
				4503 1 -
Silver Jewels	9 Jewels in the Collectors Treasury		69 4.	
	1 Do with his wives		30 - .	
	Small Do taken from boxes in his house		30 8 -	
				129 12 -
Brass & Copper Utensils	Brass & Co utensils in use of his wives		24 12.	
	Do in No 25 secured in his house		67 15 6	
	Do Do 56 belonging to deceased's private Pagoda		57 10 -	
	Do Sundry		119 2 3	
				269 7 9
	Price of a peace of ground bought by the deceased at Madura for building purposes		800 - -	800 - -
	Total amount			11221 6 5

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Table of Debts of the late Obla Condama Naick deceased Guardian and uncle of the Minor Zemindar of Atyacoody

Table No. II

No.	Original Amount	Date of Bond &c.	Rate of Interest	amount of interest up to 28th February 1857	Creditors	Executors	Bonds proofs &c.
	Rs a p			Rs a p			
1	600 / 400 } 1000 - -	9th December 1855	12	137 6 9	Payloo Naick of Onalapooram &c.	Late Obla Condama Naick	1
2	300 - -	17th Do Do	12	43 7 3	Subbaramien of Sidoor	Do	1
3	3,117 4 -	24th October 1856	12	132 11 9	Dadamiah Son of Meidem Sah. Madura	Present Guardian Obla Condama Naick	1
4	300 15 4				Sheik Meera Lubba of Atyacoody	Mundula deputy Do Pandagatta ummah wife of the late Guardian	Accounts and Chits
5	500 10 -	Interest is due only for 40 Rupees which is, at 12 p.r Cent Rs a p 3-9-7 from June 1856 to February 1857 being nine Months			Venkatachellum Chetty of Dindigul	— " —	2 Letters 1 Memo 1 Olai Account
6	200 - -	31st March 1854			Coollama Naick	Ponneya Moneyagaren	1
7	215 - -	20th August 1856 on verbal agreement	12	70 1 -	Comarasawmy Naick	— " —	"
			18	20 9 8			

Dindigul Sub Collectors Office
7th March 1857.

(Signed) J. R. Cockerall
A. Sub Collector

To

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No 71.

To R. J. Sullivan Esqr
Acting Collector of Madras

Sir

1 As I am about giving over charge of the Sub Collectorate in consequence of my appointment in the Gazette of the 17th Instant to act as Subordinate Judge. I deem it right no longer to delay laying before you the result of my further enquiries into the claims on the Estate of the late Obala Condama Naick, Guardian of the Minor Zemindar of Ayacoody which I should otherwise have postponed until they were completed.

2 In my letter to you on the subject of his debts dated 9th Instant. I stated that two of them remained to be enquired into. Of these I have completed the investigation of one that of the other. I have not been able to finish in consequence of sickness in the family of the most important Witness to it which has detained him in Ayacoody.

3 The debt I have enquired into is the one for 215 Rupees No 7 on the Table

Venkatachellum Chetty

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Table annexed to the letter referred to. It is a somewhat complicated transaction. The creditor holds no Vouchers for it but among the accounts of the deceased has been found a Bond for Rupees 315, which it is affirmed is the one on which this Money was lent. It appears that one Veerapa Gounden the arrack Renter of the Iyemperully Talook came into Madura in the month of July 1856 and requiring some Money to prosecute a claim he put forward to a parcel of Gold Coins found in Palaney by one Ponnyabayen and which as treasure trove had been deposited in the Subordinate Court came to deceased and asked him to advance him Rupees 215. The latter had not the Money to give him but borrowed it from Comarasawmy Naick one of his defendants and advanced it to the Renter receiving from him a bond not in his own name but in that of another of his defendants a practice not unfrequent in the family and which was conspicuous amongst the debts of the late Ayacoody Zemindary when they were adjusted for Rupees 315 the bond found amongst the papers

Chokalingum Pillay

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papers. The difference of Rupees 100 being explained by the Witnesses as a bonus Obla. Condama Naick was to receive in case the Renter succeeded in his object of securing the Coins.

4 The Renter acknowledges having received 215 Rupees and this sums with the interest on it mentioned in the bond which is 18 per Cent. He professes himself willing to pay whenever it may be demanded of him and requests that such being the case the interest may cease from the date of his deposition to that effect.

5 In regard to the bonus of 100 Rupees he states the balance of the bond to that amount is not due from him in the manner the Witnesses affirm that he never covenanted to pay this bonus that the Sum was one he had asked Obala Condama Naick to advance him in addition to the 215 Rupees he borrowed that he never received it but that nevertheless he permitted it having frequent transactions with the deceased and having confidence

in Vencatachellum on

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confidence in him to retain it in the bond which had been drawn up before he was acquainted with its contents to save the trouble of writing a new one.

6 Whether this statement is true or otherwise it is difficult to say but probably it is not so and that the 100 Rs was a bonus as affirmed by the witnesses to the loan. In any event however it appears not to be justly due and I should be disposed therefore to remit it recovering from the Renter the remainder or 215 Rs with interest up to the date of his deposition receiving it as payment in full of the bond and paying it over to the creditor Comarasawmy Naicke who has fairly established his claim to it.

Madura. - - -
24th March 1857.

(Signed) J. R. Cockerell
acting Sub Collector

No 81

To The Acting Collector of
Madura

Sir

With reference to the claims on the Estate of the late Obala Condama Naick guardian of the Minor Zemindar of
Ayacoody

Fort St George 24th July 1857

Cryacoody - I have the honor to submit the result of my enquiries into the only one into which I had not examined at the date of my letter of the 24th ultimo. —

*No 71

2 The claim is the one marked

*No 62

No 7 on the Table annexed to my letter dated 7th March 1857 - The Bond on which it rests is on unstamped Cadjan and is not in the name of deceased but in that of one of his confedential dependants Ponnia Moniagaren. Its terms however shew that it is an acknowledgement for money due by deceased - It sets forth that its amount is borrowed for the marriage expenses of the sister of the Minor Zemindar in which Ponnia Moniagaren could have no pecuniary interest for he is not related to the family and will be paid out of the money allowed by the Court of Wards for that purpose - It is dated a short time previous to the marriage which took place in 1854 -

3 It has not been legi-

-dated, it may be presumed as no receipt for

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for it is forthcoming from among the papers of deceased who was very careful and exact in these matters. -

4 It is proved by the evidence of Ponnia Maniagaren the evidence of the writer one of the private accountants of the deceased and that of one of the attesting witnesses. I have not thought it necessary to send for and examine the other attesting Witnesses. -

5 The Creditor claims Interest from the date of the Bond at the usual rate of 12 per centum. In this demand I think he is justified as the Bond sets forth

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sets forth that unless it is paid within a certain period and out of the money allowed for the marriage of the Minor's sister it shall bear Interest.-

6 The documents connected with the case remain in my Office under Seal. They shall be forwarded to you if you desire to see them.-

Madura - - 13th April 1857.

(Signed) J. R. Cockerell
A.S. Sub Collector

(True Copies)

(Signed) R J Sullivan
Acting Collector

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B.R. No 2494

Proceedings thereon. (848-849)

The Court of Wards see no objection to the Debts No 1 to 6 found by the investigation of the Acting Sub Collector to be due by the late Oblacondana Nauk, uncle of the Minor Zemindar of Ayacoody, being liquidated out of the personal property left by that individual They presume that the debt No 6 is that reported on in the Acting Sub Collector's letter of the 13th April 1857 and there erroneously numbered as 7.

No 99

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

(855)

B.R. No 2843 Sir.
From the Acting Collr of Ganjam

I have the honor to inform

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inform you that on the 1st of July VenKutrow, Head Sheristadar in this Collectorate, left the District on leave of absence granted him under orders of the Board of Revenue under date the 18th May 1857.

Ganjam District
Collector's Cutcherry
Chutterpoor, 6th July 1857
Bd No 2490

/Signed/ W. Knox
Acting Collector

Proceedings thereon.

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The Board observe that it is unnecessary to report to the Board the departure of Subordinate Servants on leave duly granted.

To

Venkatachellum Cherry

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No 101

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

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Bd No 2787
From the Agt Collr of Tanjore

Sir,

Adverting to your letter of the 15th April last and to the copy of the account current which accompanied it closed up to the 26th January 1857, as furnished by the Government Agents, connected with the deposits on account of the two estates in Tanjore marginally noted, I have the honor to transmit a Statement shewing the investments made in each year from Fasly 1258 from the Collections of these estates the receipts on account of interest the further investment and other expenditure therefrom and the balance at the credit of the estates.

Capistallum Gundracottah

2. It will be seen from it that while investments to the amount of Rupees 80,432-7-7 have been actually made, the list of the Government Securities appended to the accounts current in question shews them to the extent of only Rupees 47,432-7-7 as is explained in the marginal

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	Investment made out the collections of Estates	Investment made out of the interest realized on Government securities already purchased	Total
	Rupees a P	Rs a P	Rs a P
Capistalum	35,000 - -	4738 15 6	39738 - -
Gundracottah	36,000 - -	4700 - -	40700 - -
Total	71,000 - -	9438 15 6	80438 15 6

Deduct the residue of the value of a note for Sicca Rs 100 exchanged in Fusly 1265 erroneously omitted in the debits on account of the Estates — 6-7-11

Remaining amount 80432-7-7

Capistalum: Amount of 10 Notes for Companys Rs 22200 - - - ; 2 ct of 1 for Sicca Rupees 500 532-7-7 — 22732-7-7

Gundracottah: Amount of 8 Notes for Companys Rupees - - - 24700 - - -

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marginal abstract thus bearing a sum of Rupees 33,000 - - - unaccounted for — Each of the investments — made which the last mentioned sum of Rupees 33,000 - - - is composed — of — is given below.

	Fusly	Amount Rupees
Capistallum	1262	5,000
	1265	6000
	1266	6000
Gundracottah	1262	10,000
	1265	6,000
		33,000

and

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	Fusly	Investment	Interest for what period	Amount			and it appears that with the exception of Rs
			m D	Rs	a	P	
Capistallum	1262	*5,000	1 23	28	14	2	88-5-3 in
			- 1 -	8	11		the two in-
			1 24	29	7	1	vestments
Gundracottah	1262	*10000	1 23	57	12	5	marked thus*
			- 1 -	1	9		
			1 24	58	14	2	no interest
	1262	15,000	1 24	88	5	3	whatever on

any of them has been drawn -

4 I have therefore the honor to request that the Court will be pleased to trace the Government securities wanting and take the necessary steps for recovering the interest due thereon -

Tanjore, Collector's Office, 8th July 1857 -

(Signed) H. D. Phillips
Acting Collector

Statement

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No 4 Fusly 1262 —— Rs 10,000

5 Fusly 1265 —— " 6,000

3 Nos 1 and 4 seem to be the 2 Bonds for 15,000 Rupees, for which receipts were forwarded to the Court with your letter of 1st July 1857. These Bonds have since been received from the Accountant General but of course could not be entered in a list of previous date.

4 Nos 2 and 5 appear to refer to the Sum of 12,000 Rupees forwarded to this Office with Mr H. Forbes's letter dated 11th February 1856 The Government Agent refused to receive this amount as their Agency was about to close, the Court consequently deposited it in the Madras Bank and have invested the greater portion of it, details of these transactions will appear in the account Current to 30th June 1857 which will shortly be furnished to you from this Office.

5 No 3 apparently refers to the investment of 6000 Rupees reported in Mr Cherry's letter of 31st December 1856 The collector as known to Govt

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acknowledgement was returned to him with the Court's letter of 23rd January 1857, and as they have not yet received the Promissory note it could not of course appear in any of the accounts furnished by them.

6 The Court trust that you will find the above explanation satisfactory and they request that you will forward to them on its receipt the Bond for 6000 Rupees adverted to in the preceding para for deposit in the General Treasury.

7 The Court have drawn the interest due on all the Securities belonging to the Estates of Minors in your district (with the exception of the interest on the investments numbered as 1-3-4 & 5 above) and have duly credited the amount in the Account Current which they propose to furnish you within a few days time.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St George, 24th July 1857

Signed / J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary

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

Sir,

No orders respecting the Pension of

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Br No 2823
From the Collr
of Bellary

since the Permanent Settlement the land has not been enjoyed rent free, and as the rent can be proved to as have been paid for 12 years without demur to the Zemindar whose right is derivation from, and under the authority of Government, the conclusion was that it is a case contemplated by Section IV Regulation XXXI of 1802.

4. I would respectfully point out to the Board that the general law of limitations would not affect Plaintiff so that by the payment of an illegal cess for 12 years, his land became burthened with the same for ever excepting the special case when the recipient of this cess was Government or the authorized receiver of Government, and as the Zemindar occupied this position, his waiving a privilege which became his because of his subordinate position, cannot destroy the special interest, and right of his superior to it.

5. I think this is the principle on which in the 1400 Bâd Enams cases, Mr. Ballard acted with the approval of Government. Most of the parties in those cases had Documents quite as good as Plaintiffs shewing their titles to

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to land at a period prior to the Permanent Settlement, but as there was no enjoyment of the land since the permanent settlement, the Government resumed the land and gave the parties a commuted money compensation for the allowance of grain which in many cases it was proved they had received. The Board will observe that this very grain allowance, was in itself a presumptive proof in support of the truth represented by their documents that they did possess land out of which they had been perhaps illegally ousted by Zemindars tho' in many cases by Collectors. Mr. Oram seems to have systematically taken Enam lands, and fixed a rate of grain to be paid in lieu thereof by the Village in these cases. Government have acted on the principle on which this suit was defended, and on which I ventured to propose an appeal. I beg to annex Copy of Mr. Ballard's report on 11 Enam cases among which is the subject of the present correspondence and Mr. Fraser's reply, it is I think to be regretted Mr. Fraser did not submit Mr. Ballard's letter to the Commissioner.

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enclosure, the Zemindar and Enamdars entered into Rauzeenamahs, in pursuance of which the lands were made over to their claimants. They had only enjoyed them a few Months, however, when the Goodoor Estate became the property of Government. In accordance with the Extract from the Proceedings of the late Commissioner Northern Circars, these enams were then attached and have so continued since.

dated 5th December 1851 Para 11

3. In the other 5 cases, decrees in favor of the Enamdars were passed exparte, but the lands were not made over in some instances, because the parties do not appear to have moved the Courts for execution; in others because, though they applied to the Courts, they were referred by them to the Collector as the estate had passed under Government Management, and he ignored no orders on the subject.—

4. By the notes on each case, you will see that the Villagers declare the claimants have either never enjoyed land, or have not done so for a number of years generally having been

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in the habit of receiving instead, a Bâd allowances from the Zemindars. Had the Zemindar not been aware that the Estate was about to pass from him, I think he would hardly have been so ready to enter into Rauzeenamahs, or have shown such extraordinary supineness in defending the suits. But there is no evidence of collusion, unless the activity of the Enamdars in urging claims at the time, and the carelessness of the Zemindar in objecting to them, be taken as such.

Extract Minutes of Consultation 22nd August 1855 No. 971 Para 20.

5. The rights of the parties when they had recourse to the Courts, appear to me to have been exactly similar in principle to those of the Bâd Enamdars, whom the Government have declared to have no claims to land, but to customary allowances only. The principal question for determination is, what force the Courts decrees, executed or unexecuted passed against the Zemindar, are to have against the Government? 2. If they are considered faulty, can they be simply ignored? or must a more formal course for setting them aside be taken? and if so, what is that course?—

Masulipatam, Special Assistant Collrs Cutcherry 29th September 1855.

/Signed/ G. A. Ballard
Special Assistant Collector

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

Statement

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4 Sree Venkataswara Swamywar of Putchaspett — Conkapoody — 2 " "

The priest of this Temple brought a suit against the Zemindar (No. 86 of 1850) in the District Moonsiffs Court for the land and produce of 4 years - The Zemindar presented a Ruzeenamah for the land and the claim to produce was withdrawn - the land was made over in Fusly 1260, but attached on the Estate coming under Government in July 1261.

The priest has attended my Cutcherry.-

The Curnum and Villagers state that there was a former Enam, but that no land had been enjoyed for many years probably not since the Permanent Settlement - A Bâd allowance had been customary-

5 Maddoory Gungadhary Sastrooloo and Bummanatha = rooloo — Chodavarum — " 8 "
Cavepuram — " 8 "

Claimants sued the Zemindar in the District Moonsiffs Court (No. 39 and 40 of 1851) for the restoration of these lands and certain produce - A Ruzeenamah was filed the Zemindar agreeing to give up the land, and the claimants their Claim for produce - the lands were made over - but attached in Fusly 1261-

Gungadara Sastrulu has attended my Cutcherry. It appears from the evidence of the Villagers that there was a former grant, but that the parties had no connection with the land since the Permanent Settlement - Indeed it is doubtful whether land was ever enjoyed.

Said Zemindar in the Bunder District Moonsiffs Court (No. 41 of 1850) for the restoration of land -

6 Muddoory Rajavvodhanooloo and Cristnedeek = shatooloo of Chinta Gunta pollem — Nalaconetapully — " 8 "

Rawzeenamah was filed and land made over; but attached in Fusly 1261.

The present claimant has attended my Cutcherry - The Curnum and Villagers say that the claiming enamdars had nothing to do with land, but that the Zemindar gave some Bâd allowance -

7 Muddoory Rajahvvodha = nooloo and Venka = mah of Chinta = goonta pollem — Mullavole — " 8 "

These parties are the same as in the preceding case -

They brought a suit against the Ze = = mindar in the Mooffy Sudr Ameens Court

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(No. 121 of 1857) for the land and certain produce - Decree was passed escparte in their favor for land, produce, and Costs; the last part of the decree relating to produce and Costs, was escecuted against the esczemindar; but proceed= =ings were passed (on the parties moving for execution as regarding the land) directing them to apply to the Collector - They now pray that the land may be made over to them -

The Curnum and Villagers have deposed before me that the Petitioners have never enjoyed land in their Village - They do not know whether the zemindar ca gave a Bâd allowance or not - The claimants say they were absent from the Village for some time; but that their relations cultivated the Enam - This appears to be entirely false however - It does not appear that there was any Enam land enjoyed as they state -

8 Goundaloor Cristnabrumum and Caycoolap= =pa of Seevagi= =gah	Vudlamannaid	"	8 "

In this case a suit was brought in the co Moofty Sudr Ameen's Court (No. 123 of 1851) against Zemindar for land and Rupees 20 worth of produce in Decree given escparte in favor of Plaintiff - He did not however move the Court for execution and nothing has been done towards it - He states that as the estate had passed under Government he petitioned the Collector to ca make over the land. but that no orders have been passed - He now prays it may be made over - The Curnum and Villagers state there was an early Enam to this family; but that it was commuted to Bâd and that land has not been enjoyed, as far as they know, since the Permanent Settlement that the Petitioner's story of Cultivating for some years himself is false. -

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9 Durbha Sesta=patty Sastrooloo of Butchoopetta — Conka pooody — " 4 "
Codoora — " 4 "

A Suit was brought in the Moofty Sudr Ameen's Court (No. 120 of 1857) regarding these Enams against the zemindar, and ex decrees given ex parte in favor of Plaintiff - The claimant states that he moved for execution, that warrant was issued, and that the zemindar paid costs 8 Rs. But declared the land had passed out of his management - The claimant did not again apply to the Court, nor indeed does it appear that he took any further steps regarding it till he attended my Cutcherry - Petitioner states there was a former grant in Conka pooody to another family, the last heir to which (a female) bequeathed it to him - He presents certain documents which show that there was a former grant, but the Curnum and Villagers declare that neither the former family, nor petitioner ever enjoyed land - It certainly does not appear that Petitioner has any claim to it - The same remarks apply to the Enam in Codoor - There is an old entry to the former family in the accounts and several entries of Bad allowances, but the Curnum Villagers declare that neither they nor the present claimant ever enjoyed land.

They further state they know nothing of the alleged transfer.

10 Jonnalagaddas Ghantavadharoo=loo — Nadoopoor — " 4 "

This individual brought a suit for the land noted in Moofty Sudr Ameen's Court (No. 122 of 1857) and an ex parte decree was passed in his favor - He got Costs 8 Rs. from the Zemindar but was referred by the Court to the Collector for the land - no order was passed regarding it - He prays it may be made over -

It appears there was an original Grant to another family, from whom petitioner states he purchased the Enam 20 years ago, he produces several documents and states that for several years he cultivated the Enam through a ryot -

The Villagers declare that neither the former family mentioned by Petitioner nor petitioner himself enjoyed any Enam land in their Village - Petitioners claims appear without foundation.

11 Viswatmula Veerasalingum — Muccollu — " 4 "

Vide Memorandum accompanying Special Assistant Collector's letter to Sub Collector in Charge, dated 23d August 1855 No. 44 -

Masulipatam
Special Assistant
Collector's Cutcherry
29th September 1855 -

/Signed/ G. A. Ballard.
Special Assistant Collector.

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

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No. 3

Enclosure No. 372.

To,

G: A: Ballard Esqre.

Special Assistant Collector.

Masulipatam

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 54 and enclosure both of the 29th September.—

2. The question of the Goodoor Enams seems to me to have been now placed by your examination into titles in a perfectly clear light. I agree with you that they must be classed as Bâdi Enams and disposed of accordingly under the rules laid down by Government in Extract Minutes of Consultation 22d August 1855.

3. Had the question of their final disposal been left still in abeyance and the matter to be disposed of been solely the validity or otherwise of the decrees of the Court whether executed or unexecuted

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unexecuted, I do not think that we could have ignored them. As the case stands now however I do not think they stand in one way at all, as because they do not treat of the matter you as have investigated. The Court apparently taking into consideration only the intention of the original grantee of the enam, has decreed in accordance with that when proved by documentary evidence. Now in all Bâdi Enams, land was originally granted, and therefore they on the same footing. But as ruled by Government the nature apparently of the title is changed by the mode of subsequent enjoyment. This is a question which the Courts have not troubled themselves with the investigation of, but on which the pronouncement of Government must be considered authoritative. I consider therefore that we have to do with a case beyond and above the Courts jurisdiction. In treating these Enams as Bâdi we do not deny the right of the holders, and so ignore

ignore the decrees, but give them what has been declared by Government a full equivalent for lands held on such titles-

4- Where any delay likely to occur in the Settlement of this question, I should feel inclined to put the ousted holders in possession till the Settlement was concluded- But as you are now engaged on the work, and as it will in all probability be concluded for the whole District by the end of the year, to do so now would only create confusion and serve no good purpose-

Masulipatam, Collr's Cutcherry, 9th October 1856-

/Signed/ J. Fraser
Acting Collector.

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

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Bd No 2505-

Resolution thereon- Resolved that the above letter and its enclosures be forwarded to Mr Dale with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation dated 11th instant- The Board request that in giving his opinion on the case, Mr Dale will lay these papers before Government-

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No 105

To,

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

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Bd No 2828.

Sir,

From the Collector of Madras

In obedience to Para 4 Exctract Minutes of Consultation 12th June 1857 forwarded in Exctract Boards' Proceedings 25th idem, No 2184, I have the honor to forward form of Licenses to be issued to the Arrack and Toddy Shopkeepers within the limits of Saint Thomas' Mount.-

Madras, 16th July 1857.

/Signed/ B: Cunliffe
Collector.

Enclosure No 1.

Form of Proposed License for Arrack shops within the limits of Saint Thomas' Mount.-

Under the special sanction of the Board of Revenue of Fort St. George, I _____ Collector of Madras, do hereby grant this License to you A B. under the provisions of Act XIX of 1852, Section VI to the following effect.-

You

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1 You are hereby permitted to hold a Shop for the retail sale of — Arrack at street —— in the Village of —— within the Akkarry limits of this Collectorate, on the following conditions-

2. You shall sell no liquor in your shop other than that abovementioned, and you shall draw your supply of liquor from the Godowns rented at your expence, to which liquor in Casks will be sent on the application of the Conocopoly of this Office stationed there, and kept secured in the joint Custody of the said Official and yourself for your ready supply, and you shall pay the usual † esscise duty on the same as shewn in the Margin† The Charges for the conveyance of such liquor either from the godown in this Office or from the Distillery and the wastage and dryage thereon shall be borne by you-

3. You shall during the period this License is in use pay every day the esscise duly according to the dowle of your contract to the said Conocopoly, and afterwards take your supply of Arrack to your shop in Jars with Passes given by this Office tied on them.-

You

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4. You shall not keep your Shop open for the sale of liquor longer than from 6 O'Clock in the morning to 10 O'Clock at night nor shall you sell your liquor at less than 5/8 fanam a dram or 25 fanams a Gallon-

5. Should you neglect to purchase Arrack according to your daily dowle and fall in arrears for 10 days, notice will be given to you that your License will be with-drawn within 15 days, and that you will be liable for arrears during the 15 days of the notice.-

6- You shall on the receipt of your License, deposit a security equal to 10 days dowle of your shop, which shall be proportionally for-feited in the event of your not taking the full amount of your Dowle daily.-

7- In the case of your wishing to give up your shop, you shall give 15 days notice of your intention. Any liquor that may remain you must return to this Office, the prime cost of the liquor being given to you.-

8. Should it be discovered that a greater

wise act contrary to the conditions of this your
license it will be withdrawn and you will be
subjected to such further penalties as are
provided for by Law.—

Given under my
hand and Seal this
_____ day of ____ 185-

/ Signed / B: Cunliffe.

No. 2

Form of Proposed License for Toddy Shops
within the limits of Saint Thomas Mount.

Under the special sanction of the
Board of Revenue of Fort St. George.

I _____ Collector of Madras for the time
being do hereby grant this License to you
A. B. under the provisions of Section VI
Act XIX of 1852.—

1. You are permitted to hold ____
class shop at ____ street, in the Village ____
within

greater quantity of liquor has accumulated in
your shop than is equal to 5 days doule of
your shop the liquor will be returned to the
Collector in the same manner as when a
shop is given up. the cost price of the liquor
being paid back to you.—

9. You shall not sell your liquor to
Soldiers wearing the Queen's or Company's Uniforms
nor to any European or Eurasian being a Camp
follower or soldier's wife, nor shall you take any
property in pawn at your shop nor shall you sell
liquor mixed with intoxicating drugs or diluted
with water and you shall be held responsible
for the conduct of your servants in your shop.

10. Lastly should your conduct be
found to be contumacious in disobeying the
orders of this Office and not abiding by the
rules in force, or should you be found to be
encouraging any irregular or unlawful
practice in your shop or should you in any

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within the Alkarry limits of this Collectorate.

2- You shall sell no liquor in your Shop other than that for which your shop has been established.-

3- You shall before you receive a License for the Establishment of a Toddy Shop give notice at the Collectors Office of the site of the Garden or Gardens containing the Cocoanut or Palmyra Trees, from which it is your intention to draw Toddy during the year. You shall point out to the Examiners deputed by the Collector of Madras these trees, their number being regulated according to the shop for which you may have applied, according to the following Rates.-

1st Class Shop 330 Trees.
2d — Do. — Do. 247 — Do.
3d — Do. — Do. 165 — Do.
4th — Do. — Do. 110 — Do.

4. This number of Trees is intended as

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the trees which are actually to supply you during the year with the Toddy required for your shop and no change in these Gardens can be made without the permission of the Collector of Madras.-

5. Whenever you may consider that it would be for your advantage to add trees to the number allotted to your shop according to your Class, you should apply for permission for such extra Trees as may be necessary, at the rate of one fanam for ten trees daily.-

6. The Collector may at any time order a re-examination of your Gardens, and if upon such re-examination being made you are found to be in the possession of trees in excess of the number assigned to you, you shall pay arrears of Sasti Teerwah for the same calculating from the date of former examination and in default of payment you shall be liable to the loss of your License as provided in Section IX act XIX of 1852.-

You

abiding by the rules in force, or should
you be found to be encouraging any
irregular or unlawful practices in your
Shop, or should you in any wise act
contrary to the conditions of this License,
you will not only be subject to the forfeiture of this
your License but also the liable to such further penalties
as are provided for by Law.

Given under my hand
and Seal this — day of 185

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B. No. 2511. | Signed | B. Cunliffe.

Resolution thereon - Resolved that the above letter and its enclosures
be laid before Government with reference to Extract Minutes
In Cons: 25th Sept. 1857. Consultation 12th Ultimo No. 586 R. D.-

2- The Board approve of the form of licenses
submitted with the trifling alteration entered in the
Preamble For Sec: VI substitute Sec: IV.
Margin.-

To,

No. 182

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

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B. No. 2934.
From the Collector
of North Arcot.

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the
information of the Board of Revenue arrangements
which I have considered it my duty to make
with reference to the approaching Mahomedan
Festivals the Bakreed and Moharum-

2. During the celebration of the
Moharum last year it was represented to me by
Syed Ishauk the Tahsildar of this Taluk,
that there was reason to apprehend a serious
disturbance, and that the presence of Troops
in the streets was absolutely necessary to
suppress the expected outbreak- On enquiring
however it was evident to me that the real
object of the Head of Police was to prevent a

procession

procession obnoscious to his own religious feelings,
and that of a small minority of his sect -
The troops were not applied for, and the
festival passed off without any disturbance -

3. The Tahsildar was severely
reprimanded by me for attempting to secure
his own personal feelings from outrage by
means of his authority as a public servant,
and that too under the pretence of securing
the public peace -

4- As two important Mohamedan festivals are approaching I have considered it advisable to remove for the present Syed Ishauk to another Talook (Shendrayherry) and have directed the Tahsildar of Shendrayherry to act as the Tahsildar of this Talook till the pleasure of the Board is known; each Tahsildar drawing the pay of his fixed appointment

appointment as heretofore -

5. While soliciting the early sanction of the Board of Revenue to this temporary arrangement I would beg to call their attention to my letter of the 12th March No. 57 forwarding a letter from Mr. Bambury dated 12th November 1856 and requesting the permission of the Board to transfer permanently Syed Ishauk to a Talook of less importance than Chittoor -

North Arcot,
Collector's Catcherry,
Chittoor, 22d July
1857 -

/Signed/ C. Whittingham
Collector

B. No. 2506.

Proceedings thereon - The Board approve of the transfer proposed under the circumstances stated, and consider that Syed Ishauk was too leniently dealt with on the last occasion -

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Received

11959. Fort St. George 24th July 1857.

Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous letters and Statements-

862
My. No. 1597. From the Collector of South Arcot- List of letters addressed to the Board of Revenue and remaining unanswered upto 30th June 1857-

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My. No. 1596. From the Collector of South Arcot- List of letters received from the Board of Revenue and remaining unanswered upto 30th June 1857-

864
My. No. 1599. From the Collector of Rajahmundry- Abstract of Demand Collection and Balance of Current Revenue of the Estates under the Court of Wards for June 185-

865
My. No. 1598. From the Acting Collector of Tanjore- Register of Petition for June 1857-

866
My. No. 1593 From the Collector of Madura. Statement shewing the quantity of Salt in store &ca on the 15th June 1857-

867
My. No. 1594- From the Collector of Madura. Statement shewing the quantity of Salt in store &ca on the 30th June 1857-

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My. No. 1595. From the Collector of Madura- Statement shewing the quantity of Salt in store &ca on the 15th July 1857-

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11960. Fort St. George 27th July 1857

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue,
Monday, 27th July 1857.

Read the following Papers.

869
Bd No. 2366
From the Dy Secy to Government

Official Memo.

The Deputy Secretary to Government in the Revenue Department has the honor to request that the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue will be good enough to forward to this Office for reference all the Tabular reports on Exams submitted to Government since 1848.

Fort St. George,
Government Office,
Revenue Department,
17th June 1857.

(Signed) W. Norman,
Dy Secretary.

To the Ag Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.

Ordered that the following official memo be sent in reply.

869-870
Bd No. 2516
To the Dy Secy to Government

Official Memo.

The Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to inform the Deputy Secretary to Government R.D that all the Tabular Reports on Exams submitted to Government since 1848, have been

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been forwarded to the Government Office.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
27th July 1857.

(Signed) I. D. Sim,
Acting Secretary

Bd. No. 2789
From the Ag Secy to Government

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, Revenue Department, under date the 27th June 1857.

Stating that the Board are right in supposing that the orders of Government 18th December 1856 for the abolition of the Nerrick System which then prevailed at Dotacamund, were not intended to apply to the cases described in para 2 of Board's Proceedings of 15th May 1857.

(See No. 580 in separate Volume Page 807)

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Bd. No. 2517
Order thereon.

Ordered that a copy of the above Extract Minutes Consultation and of paras 1 & 2 of the Board's Proceedings dated 15th May 1857 No. 1584, be circulated to all Collectors with reference to the Board's Circular of the 16th January last No. 189.

Extract

Verbatim

Fort St. George 27th July 1857

Bd. No. 2789
From the Ag Secy to Government

873

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 11th July 1857.

Authorizing instructions being issued to the Collector of Bellary for relieving the ryots of certain villages of that District from the obligation of carrying their grain to the Pottaries for the purpose of being weighted & measured and for relinquishing the Jody payable by the latter.

(See No. 694 in separate Volume Page 801)

873-874

Bd. No. 2523
Order thereon.

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector with copy of the Board's Proceedings.

Bd. No. 2889
From the Ag Secy to Government

875

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 18th July 1857.

Authorizing the Superintendent of the Gazette Press to forward to the Board for transmission to the Ag Collector of Guntoor, the additional Type &c applied for by him, and to receive back into store the 30 lbs of Type stated to be useless, to the Guntoor Press.

(See No. 720 in separate Volume Page 802)

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875-876

B. No. 2519

Fort St. George 27th July 1857

Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Collector.-

B. No. 2938

From the Ag Secy to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 23d July 1857.

877

Communicating a letter from the Military Department regarding provision being made for the march of a Regiment of European Infantry likely to be landed at Masulipatam and destined for some station beyond the Kistna.-

(See No. 735 in separate Volume) Page 803

877-878

B. No. 2532

Order thereon.

Ordered that a copy be communicated to the Collectors of the districts noted in the margin.-

Masulipatam
Guntoor
Rajahmundry
Vizagapatam
Ganjam

Read again letter from the Acting Collector of Madura dated 28th April and entered in Consultation 15th May 1857.-

To

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No. 138.

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

879

B. No. 2655

From the Ag Collr of Madura

Sir,

In reply to Extract Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 15th May last, requiring me to state the amount of allowance drawn by the Poligar of Nellacottah and the principle on which it was regulated, and the circumstances under which it is under the Government management, I have the honor, with reference to the correspondence noted in the margin, to state that the Zemindary was assumed in June 1810 for arrears of Revenue Viz.t 53,433-2-2 and purchased on behalf of Government under the orders of the Board of Revenue dated 1st August 1816 on the 3d September of that

To Board	24th	March 1816
From Do	11th	April 1816
To Do	18th	July 1816
From Do	1st	August 1816
To Do	26th	July 1818
From Do	17th	August 1818
To Do	30th	January 1819
From Do	18th	February 1819
To Do	28th	April 1819
To Do	18th	September 1820
From Do	19th	October 1820
To Do	29th	November 1820
From Do	11th	January 1821
To Do	1st	January 1842
From Do	21st	March 1842
To Do	9th	April 1842
From Do	23d	May 1842

year

year consequently the Zemindar has for-
feited its right and the Estate is
incorporated with Government lands.

A Malikanah, of 10 per cent allowance,
on the average collections of 5 years,
was sanctioned by Government to the
Proprietor under date the 5th January
1821, which allowance was drawn by
Coollapa Naik the Zemindar in whose posses-
sion the Estate was at the time it was
assumed - till the 20th of August 1836 -
When he died leaving no issue -

2 Mr Blackburne, the then Princi-
pal Collector, recommended his younger
Brother, Tirovengada Coollapa Naik, as
his successor under date the 26th October
1836, and the Board of Revenue
sanctioned continuance of the Malikanah to
him now deceased; and its continuance
is sought by his son Coollapah Naik,
aged about 30 years, now recommended
both by the Acting Sub Collector
and myself:-

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Fusly	Beriz Rs	a	P	Commission Rs	a	P
1261	25846	9	5	2584	8	11
1262	26527	9	2	2652	12	1
1263	26208	8	1	2620	13	6
1264	27106	4	2	2710	10	0
1265	29635	13	10	2963	9	5

3- The Beriz of the Estate and the amount of allowance for the past five years are given in the Margin-

I beg to support the recom-
mendation of the Acting Sub-Collector in favor of the Zemindar's son.-

Madura,
30th June 1857.

(Signed) R. J. Sullivan,
Acting Collector-

BP No 2515
Proceedings thereon
(879-880)

In the former of the letters recorded above the Acting Collector reports the death on the 14th April last, of Tirovengada Coolapah Naick, titular zemindar of Nella-
-cotah leaving a Son Coolapah Naick, aged about 30 years, to whom he recommends continuance of the allowance granted on account of the Estate.-

2- The Acting Collector's report being very de-
-fective in respect to the value of the zemindary, its pre-
-sent position in regard to the Government and the prin-
-ciple by which the allowance is regulated further information was called for, and is supplied in the letter of the 30th June last.-

Pro: to Collector 15th May 1857

3- It appears that when put up at auction for an arrear of Revenue the Estate was purchased on account of Government and has ever since been incorporated in the Government lands.-

To Collector 1st August 1818

4- It was intended to grant to the Zemindar, in common with those of other Estates resumed by Government, a fixed hereditary pension, calculated at

Proceedings of Board 28th April 1817

From Board 14th November 1836

From Sub Coll. 18th April 1857
To Board 28th April 1857
No 84

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To Collr 19th Octr 1820
From Dr 29th Nov.r
In Cons: 11th Decr
To Chief Secy to Govt 11th Decr
From Secy to Govt 5th January 1821 No 19 R.D.
In Cons: 11th January

at 10 per Cent on the average Collections of the preceding 5 years, and sanction was granted accordingly on the 5th January 1821. From some misapprehension, however, payments were always made at 10 per Cent on the Net Settlement of each year. The circumstances was brought to the notice of the Board in 1841, but they did not think it desirable to alter the practice which had so long obtained.

From Collr 5th March 1841 Pub. Dept. 12th March

5. As these Pensions were intended to be hereditary the Board resolve to support the Acting Collector's recommendation that the allowance drawn by the deceased may be continued to his son Coolapah Naick. The amount in Fasly 1255 was Rupees 2963-9-5 calculated on the net settlement of that year. On the average of 5 years ending in Fasly 1229 which it was intended to grant as a fixed pension it would have been 1766-13-5 Should Government think it right to continue the latter sum only, it should be understood that as regards all the other Poligar Pensions granted at the same time, the same course will be pursued on each lapse. On this point, however the Board resolve to draw the attention of Government to the Minutes of Consultation

From Collr 29th Nov.r In Cons: 11th Decr 1820.

In Cons: 21st March 1842

of Government of the 8th March 1842 No 312 Revenue Department accepting the final surrender of this Pollam on the condition of continuing to the proprietor the allowances he then received of 10 per cent on the Net Revenues. This, in the Boards opinion, precludes reversion to the pension of 1,766—13—5 originally intended.

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To

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

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Br. No 2030
From the Ag Collr of Masulipatam

Sir

In reply to your letter dated 11th Instant, calling for a report on the Choultry erected at Bezwadah by Ramanooja Row, I have the honor to forward a very full report from the Acting Sub Collector

2. I am unable to say why this matter has remained so long in the Sub Collectors Office Mr Lushington referred it to Mr Fraser in February 1855, but neither Mr Fraser nor his successor moved much in the matter. Mr Chase completed the enclosed report in December 1856 but he had to take charge of the District soon after and in the multitude of business this matter escaped his notice and never attracted mine —

3 Mr Chase's report is so detailed that I need only offer a few general remarks

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my own opinion is that the Choultry was built by Contributions taken from the people and that Ramanooja Row did cause this money to be exacted by his agent the Tahsildar. I do not however Consider that Ramanooja Row could be tried for raising Compulsory [not voluntary] subscriptions to a Public Choultry. It is not in my humble opinion an offence described in Regulation IX of 1822 because it could not be alleged that the Public Choultry was for Ramanooja Row's benefit and I think Circular Order Board of Revenue 17th March 1837 would not have been issued announcing the severe displeasure of Government against persons in authority making subscriptions for public purposes if the doing so were already a Criminal offence — in fact up to that date Sheristadars and influential public officers were encouraged to erect

rect Choultries by the practise of publishing their names in the Government Gazette and no one ever thought the cost was entirely their own money and subscription lists were only orders at sight

However S. Ramanooja Row's conduct may appear to the Board Criminal and I am ready to the best of my ability to follow any instructions the Board may give but if so: and a Regulation can be found I will not conceal the difficulties I forsee of prosecuting to a Conviction the absence of some witnesses and contradictory statements of others. Coupled with the time that has elapsed since the deed was done: and the fact that the documentary evidence clearly implicates the deceased Tahsildar and only indirectly

Ramanooja

Ramanooja Row are matters to be well weighed.

5 Unfortunately however the matter is not altogether past, but the position of Government for the future must be considered Willingness to overlook what Ramanooja Row has done, now that he is discharged from public employment must not be perverted into such an admission of his innocence as can be paraded to our loss should the matter hereafter come into a Court of law. the Choultry has been removed by the Public Works Department and the materials sold for Rs. 205-15-8 I beg to refer the Board to Mr. Lushington's letters to the Commissioner Northern Circars... dated 9th October 1854 and Mr.

Mr. Elliot's reply 18th October and also to Mr. Elliot's letter to Government dated 10th October 1854.—

6 Whether Ramanooja Row does or does not bring a suit for compensation I agree with Mr. Chase, the land on which the Choultry was built was his by a bonafide purchase and he is fairly entitled to receive back the price he paid

7 If as I expect he will bring a suit for the value of the building I do not see what defence Government can offer—Government might say the materials were not his because paid for by other people this would hardly be strong enough for certainly the materials are not Governments—for admitting Government could prove the money was illegally collected by — Ramanooja Row it does not follow that purchases paid for by ill gains lapse necessarily to Government especially if

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likes a Choultry the purchase is beneficial to the plundered.—

8 I admit my reasoning may be over-strained but I have a very strong opinion that Government should avoid law suits unless strong confidence is entertained of success. The evil effects on the public whenever Government fails in a Court of Law are by no means small.

9 I propose 1st that the money paid by Ramanooja Row for the land be repaid him and 2nd that Government build a public Choultry at Bezawadah.

This choultry has been proposed by Mr. Lushington and I have now before me the plan and Estimate of the Engineer for a new one and I would spend the proceeds of the sale of the materials of the former Choultry towards its erection.

at 912 Rs.

Thus a public benefit would be done and an awkward defence in a Civil suit avoided.—

I admit it is not pleasant to erecting a Choultry which will perpetuate Ramanooja Row's name, but I see no other course and in any case a public Choultry must be erected at Bezwadah.

Masulipatam
Coll.r's Cutcherry
26th May 1857.

/Signed/ T. J. Knox.
Acting Collector

L. B.

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No. 48.

To,
T. J. Knox, Esq.re
Acting Collector of
Masulipatam.

Sir.

1. I have the honor to submit the result of the enquiry into the circumstances under which the choultries were constructed at Bezoarah in the name of Soondaraghery Ramanooja Row, the late Head Sheristadar of this District, in conformity with the requisition of the late Collector to my predecessor Mr. J. Fraser, in a letter dated 24th February 1855.

2. This enquiry extending over so lengthened a period was conducted by two of my predecessors Messrs. Fraser and Blair and the cause of the delay so far as I can ascertain from the Proceedings was occasioned by the difficulty in procuring the attendance of the parties who had been examined as witnesses by Mr. Bird the majority of whom did not reside in the Villages set opposite their names, others had left the District and some had died or had become incapacitated

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incapacitated from physical causes from giving evidence.-

2. Soon after my arrival in the District in November last I looked into the proceedings held in the case and became impressed with the opinion that it was one which should not be agitated unless the late Sheristadar made an application for Compensation on account of the ground and Choultries built thereon, and since the receipt of the letter of the late Collector alluded to in para 1 the Sheristadar had been dismissed from public employment and the features of the case were thereby completely altered, as however the Government have in their Extract Minutes Consultation dated 17th March 1857 called for a report and have also requested an explanation of the cause of delay, I trust the above will prove a satisfactory one, and that I shall be exculpated from all blame of dilatoriness for the following report which I have the honor to submit, was prepared by me in December, notwithstanding the numerous other matters of interest which forced themselves upon my

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my attention on my first arrival in the District, and not once in the course of my past service has exception been taken to my conduct on this score -

4. The Report furnished by Mr. Bird dated 31st January 1853 in reply to a Mr. Lushington's letter dated 28th January 1853, calling on him to supply him with any information he might possess with reference to the construction of these Choultries and the source whence their cost of construction was defrayed, concludes with a Summary of points or Counts of a charge, which in the opinion of that officer (Mr. Bird) might upon enquiry be established by sufficient evidence, should any enquiry be held regarding them.-

5. These points or Counts are as follows.

1st That there was much irregularity of not unfair dealing on the part of Ramanoja Row in the original acquisition of the sites on which the Choultries were built -

2d That large Traffacks or illegal collections were raised on the Villages of the Bezavada Taluk to defray the expenses of the buildings in Guntur

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Justice 1256 and 1257 the said expenses nothaving been honestly provided for by Ramanoojarow.

3d. That the salaries of the local public servants were also appropriated in some measure to pay for the same work.

4th. That the wood required for beams and rafters for these choultries in Justy 1256 was paid for by the Sharampatam Village and that the boat men who floated it down to Bezoarah were defrauded of their hire.

5th. That the brass pots &c required for the choultry were got free of cost by Ramanoojarow and remain unpaid for up to this day.

6th. That all this plunder and fraud was carried on publicly and in the light of day the Tahsildar openly ordering the extra collections under his official seal and signature, the Goomastahs of the office keeping the papers relating to the matter as part of the public records of the Cutcherry.

7th. That when detection was anticipated Ramanoojarow contrived that the papers in question should be made away with those now produced being obtained from independent parties who retained

possession

possession of the original Dustuks issued.-

8th. That in the matter of the bricks sold by auction, as reported by the Tahsildar in 1848 for Rupees 15, there are grounds for suspecting an arrangement was collusively effected between Ramanoojarow and the Tahsildar by which Government property worth Rupees 36 became available for the Head Sheristadar's choultries for less than 1/2 that sum.

9th. That he obtained certain stones to be used in the construction of his choultries free of cost from a party who had procured them for a well he had dug the price of the same being unpaid to this day.-

Points 6 & 8.

6. These nine counts, as recorded by Mr. Bird, formed the basis of the enquiry and an investigation into each one of them has been made as far as has been practicable, that owing to the death of the Tahsildar of Bezoarah therein + referred to and the absence of many important witnesses, the results of the investigation are but scanty and limited.

1st Point.

7. With regard to the 1st Point, Viz. the acquisition of the land upon which the two choultries were

were built, the 3d witness (C. Bapiah) deposed that the sheristadar purchased two pieces of ground of Pantchullah Bhaganiah and P. Chinna Gungiah for Rupees 70 and 15 respectively that he had the title deeds thereof executed in the name of his Nephew Venkatarungum, that these two parties sold their ground to the sheristadar of their own free will and consent, and that the value thereof was paid them through the late Tahsildar of Bezoarah, by name Gooroomoortiah, that one choultry was built on one of the said pieces of ground in the year 1847 and another choultry on the other piece of ground in 1849.-

8. The said P. Bhaganiah was next examined, he corroborated the statement of the 3d witness as to the sale of his land to the sheristadar, admitted he had received the value thereof but he stated that the money was paid him by the sheristadar himself, on the day of sale in contradiction to the statement of 3d witness that it had been paid him through the late Tahsildar of Bezoarah, however.

however this may be, the deponent stated he had no claim whatever upon the sheristadar with regard to the land. 5th witness also speaks of further proof is necessary in a case where the owner has foregone any claim to the ground, to the choultries being built on the pieces of land purchased of P. Bhagavaiah and Chinna Gungiah, no doubt therefore can exist as to the legal acquisition of the ground on the part of the sheristadar so far as any right or claim of the owners to it is concerned, whether the said P. Bhagaviah and P. Chinna Gungiah had any claim to the grounds another question was is also the question how the sheristadar became possessed of the means to purchase the said land. as to this latter taken as a fact by itself, there is nothing as to the amount of the sum paid for the land to lead to the supposition that the land was not fairly purchased by the sheristadar but taken in connection with other circumstances and chiefly with regard to the construction of the choultries. There is every reason to believe that the cost of purchase of

Point 2.

of the land as well that of the construction of the choultries was defrayed illegally and a consideration of Point No. 2 leads to this supposition. The depositions given by 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22d, 23d, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32d, 33d, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th and 39th Deponents before the Commissioner for the Northern Circars can leave no doubt as to the fact that the cost of the choultries were defrayed by collections raised from the villages of the Bezoarah Talook noted in the margin+ of which these deponents were residents or that a regular quota of subscription was raised from each village Peons being sent furnished with Dustuks signed and sealed by the late Tahsildar for the purpose of collecting the sums the testimony of these witnesses is further borne out by the testimony of the peons who were deputed to make the collections. During the enquiry made by my predecessors many of these witnesses were not forthcoming the summons issued for their attendance being returned endorsed to the

+ 1 Cappaloor
2 Gunnavarum
3 Royengpaud
4 Porumbry
5 Hunkapaud
6 Ibharampatam
7 Cottoor
8 Pundegama
9 Nagoodoor
10 Moothalumpaud
11 Cosstoor
12 Veeteravaram
13 Gunnaboola
14 Gouravaram
15 Ganapavarum
16 Toummalagoontah
17 Dupalapallem
18 Jungalapully
19 Tedlatoor
20 Potaneram
21 Coontammookhah

Veneeram

No. 6 Dustucks O.P.20
No. 4 J.G. H. J
No. 7 S.J. Va.

the effect that the parties were absent or were not residents of the villages to which they were said to belong. The 7th, 8th and 9th witnesses were produced before the Commissioner the original dustuks to collect money for the erection of the choultries as noted marginally were Comiswar peons and residents of the Guntoor District, but could not be found and the summons issued for their attendance were returned. The 10th witness who produced 2 dustuks for the collection of Rupees

Vide Encl. 1

No. 1 Dustuk. AD C.

63 was said to be a resident of Noozeed, but the summons sent to him was returned endorsed to the effect that there was no person of that name in Noozeed. 11th witness however deposed to having been once a time deputed with dustuks for the collection of money on account of the choultries and to having brought the villagers with the money required of them to the Tahsildar. He also identified the dustuks shewn him as those he gave up to the Commissioner and it may be issued could the testimony of the 7th, 8th, 9th & 10th witnesses

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witnesses be secured, that they would also identify the dustucks given up by them and corroborate the statements given by them before the Commissioners.-

9. This witness (11th) produced 55 dustucks for Rupees 55 the names of the villages assessed being noted marginally.-

1 Gunnavaram 5
2 Rayanepaud 15
3 Gungoor — 10
4 Ramavara-poopaud 10
5 Itharampatam 15
55

10. In addition to these 19 dustucks of which proofs can be adduced only to 5-12- others were forwarded in Arzees or delivered to the Commissioner by persons from whom no depositions were at the time taken, and whose attendance since it has been found impossible to procure, but the dustucks themselves bear the mark of being genuine and it appears impossible to doubt that they are so- They all bear the signature and official seal of the Tahsildar purport that the collections required were to aid in erecting the Choultries of Ramanagiri Row (with the exception of 1 dustuck which was for a taffeek of Rupees 25 raised by the Tahsildar for his own personal use) they were also endorsed with a notice as to the amount of

Vide Enclosure 7th containing dustucks marked 1 to 12.

Encr. 5 Dustucks

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of Batta which the bearer of each was to receive in the villages assessed during his stay in the Village pending the collection of the money."-

11. The examination of the inhabitants of Itharampatam, who were examined with reference to the 4th point, furnish an instance of the impossibility of arriving at any just conclusions - with regard to the fraudulent practices of the Sheristadar partly owing to the length of time that has elapsed since the enquiry was first set on foot, but chiefly to the fear they entertain of speaking the whole truth, the villagers spoken of as having been examined were merely the heads of villages as the Curnams and Pettanadars. These for the most part are said to have died or to have been removed, but in instances where they have been examined as to the collections raised or their villages or as to their knowledge of the dustucks, they deny both one and the other, evidently from a fear not only of incurring the displeasure of the late Sheristadar who in their opinion, may again be placed in a position to annoy and molest them, but also from a fear that they will be punished by

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Government for countenancing these collections the fact therefore of the gross and glaring plunder so systematically carried out by means of dustucks, authorising the collection of money from nearly every village in the Bezoara Talook, would fall to the ground for want of proof were it not for the testimony of one or two witnesses whose evidence is corrobo=rated by the existence of 27 dustucks* who genuineness, there is no reason to doubt and by many corroborative circumstances which appear throughout the testimony of other witnesses when deposing to other points.—

*The production of original dus=tucks and 2 Taf feuk Jabittas

Depositions given by the Ikharampa=tam Villagers before Mr Bird

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Before Mr Bird

7 villagers of Ikharampatam deposed the late Tahsildar and his Goomastah having in fusly 1256 come to their village and assessed it to the amount of Rupees 130. the price of teak wood required for Ramanaja==row's choultry bought by him from certain merchants of Bunder. Also to the next Tahsildar T. Brahmin Naidoo, having in fusly 1258 made them pay Rupees 54 from their

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their village collections to some merchants for wood bought for the choultry of the Head sheristadar. They also complained that there was yet due to them Rupees 68-8- the value of Toomma Trees supplied by them for the chunam Kilns used in the building of the choultries and that Rupees 25 bandy hire was never paid them. Some fishermen examined stated that 15 Rupees hire was due to them for floating the wood required for the choultry from Ikharampatam to Bezoarah. The whole of these must be regarded as false and wilful misrepresentation or the deposition given before Mr Blair during his enquiry must be regarded as such for one denies the other in almost every respect, for even granting all the heads of the village had died off in that short interval, still it is reasonable to suppose that some memory of the transaction would have been preserved by their successors, but from the state=ments given before Mr Blair an abstract of

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of which I subjoin, not even this appears to have been the case.—

Depositions given by the Mharampatam Villagers before Mr Bidder

13. Depositions given by the inhabitants of Mharampatam

1st A. Gungiah, that 8 or 9 Rupees were taken from him at "Baujah Kurtch" but that the Curnum and the witnesses who knew of the transaction have since died and that his statement is without corroboration that the cartage of Rupees 25, as he deposed before the Commissioner, is still due to him that he knows nothing of any contribution being raised on his village for the erection of the choultry, that although his name appears in the list of those who deposed to this effect before the Commissioner, that nevertheless he knows nothing of the matter and only signed his name to the deposition because the other Pattanadars of the village did so.—

Witness

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2nd. Witness, a Pattanadar, that he had been a Pattanadar only since 1850 and he does not know whether his predecessor in the fusslies 1257 and 58 paid any contribution towards the choultries from the village collections and if they paid any how they made good the money in the village accounts—

3d. Witness confirms the statement he made before the Commissioner, but states he is unable to say what amount of contributions were raised and paid on account of the choultries—

4th. Witness admits he deposed with others before the Commissioner regarding the choultries, but that at the time stated he knew nothing of the matter referred to—

23d. Witness that he knew nothing of the construction of the choultry that he did not depose before the Commissioner and

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and that he brought no materials

to Bezoarah for the Sheristadar-

14 The Subjoined is a list

of the original dustucts filed

A. 13th April 1847 to collect

= lect Rupees 5 for the

Sheristadar's Choultry

on the Maradoomalla

Village

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village.

Produced by 10th witness vide Para 8. — No 1

B. 8. April 1848 to collect Rs. 8 for Sheristadars Choultry on the Nepulla Village

C. 2nd April 1848 fifty Rs. for his own topsees on the Poruvaky Village.

63 Rupees — Total 63 rupees

No 2

D. 15th April 1848 to collect 15 Rupees for the Choultry from Vellacoor Village

E. 15th April 1848 to collect from Gungeneedoopollem 8 Rupees for the Choultry.

23 Rupees — Total 23 Rupees

Rupees 48 — No 3

Permallu Reddy of Murrepollem said the six dustucts were given into his hands by the late Tahsildar but he did not take them to the village or collect the money that he brought them to the Commissioner as he was told he would find employ if he did so.

Produced by 8th witness vide Para 8. — No 4

H. 5th May 1847 to collect 20 Rupees for the Sheristadars Choultry from the village of Kunkapand

G. 5th May 1847 to collect 15 Rupees for the Choultry from Gonnaparcerum.

H. 13th April 1847 to collect 20 Rupees for the Choultry from Poruvaky village

I. 5th May 1847 to collect 12 Rs. for the Choultry from Ooppooloor village.

67 Rupees — Total 67 Rupees

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J. 13th April 1848 10 Rs. for the Choultry from Condoor village

K. 15th April 1848 – 8 Rs. for the Choultry from Ramaraopoo pond

L. 15th April 1848 – 6 Rs. for the Choultry from Gunnakapand.

M. 15th April 1848 – 15 Rs. for D. from Gundoopoogalloor

N. 23rd April 1848 – to collect 25 Rupees on account of the private use of the Tahsildar from Condoor village

64 Rs. — Total 64 Rs.

O. 18th April 1847 from Colaveemoo village 20 Rupees for the Choultry.

P. 12th April 1847 12 Rupees from Coppadoor village for the Sheristadar's Choultry.

2 2d April 1848 19½ Rupees for the Choultry from Ayeda poogul village

R. 15th April 1847 — 15 Rs. from Coondaroo village for the Choultry.

Produced by 7th witness vide Para 8 — No 6

66-8-0 Total Rupees 66-8

S. 23d April 1847 to collect 12 Rs. for Sheristadars Choultry from Moonagapaud and Mandhavaram

T. 5th May 1847 to collect 8 Rupees for Choultry from Yandapully

R. 23d April 1847 to collect Rs. 15 from Coondaroo village for the choultry.

Produced by 9th witness vide Para 8 — No 7

35 Rupees Total 35 Rupees

U. 8th April 1848 to collect 10 Rupees for the Sheristadars private use from Ramanaroopoopaud.

W. 5th May 1847 — 5 Rupees for the Choultry from Gunnavaroom village.

The Curnum of this village stated 5 Rs. had been paid.

Produced by 11 witness vide Para 8 — No 8

X 21st April 1847 to collect 15 Rs. for the Choultry from Ibhoramapatnam village These villages were examined but the former Pettanadars had died and they state they do not know what happened.

Y 2d April 1848, to collect 10 Rupees for the Choultry from Gungoor village

total 55 Rs.

Z. 15th April 1847 to collect 15 Rupees for the Choultry from Ramapaud village

Curnum said 5 Rs. were paid into the hands of the Sahsildar.

373-8
Rs 3 48
Rs 421-8 15

The above is a correct record of the 31 dustucks produced

produced authorising the illegal collection of extra cess amounting to Rupees 421-8 to aid in the cost of erecting the Choultries and 25 Rupees a private cess for the personal use of the late Tahsildar of Bezoarah that others were written and subsequently destroyed was a fact suspected by Mr. Bird who enters it among the points (7) recorded for proof and seems to be borne out by the evidence of 4th witness (P. Nargeis warawoodoo) the late Motirpha Goomastah of Bezoarah who deposed that Ramanoojen Row after his suspension sent for him and with certain two V. Ramen Row and G. Ramakrishna enduced him to state before the Collector that certain papers entered by him in the Cutcherry records and dustucks for Ramanoojen row's Choultries not forthcoming were in reality merely accounts relating to the anicut & Maramut works.

Point 7

Note 1 × Son in law of the Sheristadar on whom the Tahsildar since dismissed

16. The 6th witness a Moterpha Goomastah of Bezoarah who received charge of that Office from the 4th witness declared before the Commissioner and subsequently before Mr. Blair the late Acting Sub Collector that the latter (4 witness) had left certain bundles in the records containing the dustucks issued by the late Tahsildar P. Gooroomoorthiah for the collection of money by Jafreek on the villages to pay for Ramanoojen Rows Choultries and that on searching them they had disappeared He added that these documents were public ones authorising the collection of this money by

Vide para 15 of Mr. Bird's Report to Mr. Pushington 31st Jany 1853

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by the late Tahsildar
17 Jan Corroboration of
the above evidence a
Jafreek Tahsildar dated
5th April 1847 was-6
produced to Mr. Elliot
purporting to be a list
of a Jafreek made on the
villages of the Bezoarah
Talook for the tile
covered Choultry
built by the Tah
sildar of Bezwadah

(Ramanaon Goorroo Moortiah)
in the name of Soon
daraghierry Ramanooja
Row the Serishtadar"
This document bears
the Official seal of
the Tahsildar of
Bezoarah and the
Official Signature of P
Gooroomoortiah Tah.
sildar. The amount
of Jafreek en=
tered in this
list as authorised
on the Villages
Rupees 660.-

Bezoarah Perganah
Rupees 300

1	Patammatah	15	-
2	Magulrajeshpooreum	8	-
3	Goodavalla	15	-
4	Cannoor	12	-
5	Parumky	20	-
6	Edaipoogulloo	19	8
7	Kunkapaud	20	-
8	Colavennoo	20	-
9	Coondair	15	-
10	Semnair	15	-
11	Oppoloor	12	-
12	Maredamaka	6	-
13	Vaipoor	10	-
14	Ramanoorapaud	12	-
15	Prasadumpaud	5	-
16	Moottejalumpaud	8	-
17	Yaneka-paud	8	-
18	Nidamaunoor	8	-
19	Donay Antoor	6	-
20	Gosalah	12	-
21	Gungoor	10	-
22	Nopulla	10	-
23	Cautampaud	4	-
24	Lunjalunka	4	-
25	Ambapoorum	4	-
26	Praddootoor	12	-
27	Candoolampaud	5	-
28	Venkatramanagarum	4	8

Total Rs. 300-0

Valavadium Moottah
Rupees 228

1	Valavadium	15	-
2	Condoor	8	-
3	Vellatoor	15	-
4	Cottoor	12	-
6	Ibbarampatam	20	-
6	Rayenepaud	19	8
7	Pydoorpaud	20	-
8	Irelachanapooreum	20	-
9	Joommalagoontah	15	-
10	Gannaveriam	15	-
11	Moonagapaud	12	-
12	Maudavaroium	6	-
13	Gaddamanoojoo	10	-
14	Grandavamepollium	12	-
15	Penchikalapaud	5	-
16	Vageredypaud	8	-
17	Condagooraza	8	-
18	Sakkampoody	8	-
19	Sandrala	6	-
20	Ganapavaruem	12	-

Total Rs. 228

Condapully
Perganah Rs. 132-

1	Cowdoor	40	-
2	Velugodair	15	-
3	Gollapoody	15	-
4	Illaprole	15	-
5	Condapully	15	-
6	Moottalapaud	15	-
7	Moolapaud	15	-
8	Joommalapollem	8	-
9	Joopoody	5	-
10	Bhavanapooreum	8	-
11	Yandapully	6	-
12	Cotacalapoody	6	-
13	Bhemanarapaud	6	-
		5	-

Total Rs. 132

	Rs.	A	P
Bezwadah Perganah	300	-	-
Valavadium Moottah	228	-	-
Condapully Perganah	132	-	-
Total	660	-	-

Manginapully is

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18 Another Jafreek Zabitah dated 24th March 1848 was produced to Mr. Elliot and signed by him purporting to be the "List of a Jafreek made by the Bezoarah Tahsildar for the Choultry on the South side Recd. in 1847 in the name of Soondraghurry Ramanooja Row

This document bears the Official seal of the Tahsildar of Bezoarah and his Official signature Paunram Gooroomoorty Tahsildar"

The amount of Jafreek entered in this list as authorised on the villages mentioned marginally is Rs. 609

Bezoarah Dergana Rs. 204		Valanadaur Moottah Rupees 162		Condapully Dergana Rs. 102		Mylanarum Dergana Rs. 141	
	Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.
1 Patamata	10	1 Valaradum	25	1 Cowloor	10	1 Mylarsarum	10
2 Goodralla	10	2 Condoor	10	2 Velagalair	10	2 Nundgamah	15
3 Cannoor	10	3 Vellatoor	15	3 Collapoody	15	3 Coonlamoorkala	15
4 Mogulrajapoorum	5	4 Ibharampatam	10	4 Ollaprole	8	4 Nagaloor	10
5 Porumkey	15	5 Coottoor	10	5 Condapully	8	5 Dolloor	10
6 Ayeedapoogalloo	15	6 Ramyenepaud	10	6 Moottalumpaud	8	6 Chendragoodem	10
7 Kumkapaud	15	7 Moottayalampaud	10	7 Moolapaud	6	7 Gungenedypollem	8
8 Colavennoo	15	8 Irelachanapoorum	5	8 Soommalapollem	6	8 Noonnumpaud	4
9 Coondaroo	10	9 Soomalacoonta	4	9 Soopoody	6	9 Jenadanarapaud	4
10 Yennoor	10	10 Gumravarum	4	10 Bhavanepoorum	6	10 Puttempollam	4
11 Ooppooloor	10	11 Moonagapaud	4	11 Pandapully	7	11 Doggaracapaud	4
12 Maradoomakoo	5	12 Maudhevarum	4	12 Hoseelapoody	8	12 Kunnoor	4
13 Coondoolapaud	4	13 Guddamnoosoo	5	13 Bheemavarapoopaud	5	13 Parvatapoorum	4
14 Nepully	8	14 Gruendevarampollum	4			14 Vadoorookeedem	3
15 Prodatoor	8	15 Penchiyalapaud	4	Total Rs. 102		15 Kuttarapugoodem	3
16 Punjalurka	4	16 Vajireddypaud	5			16 Cundoolapaud	6
17 Nellooroor	8	17 Condagoorazu	4			17 Chevvatoor	8
18 Dono Antoor	4	18 Yakampoody	8			18 Venkatapoorum	6
19 Nedamanoo	6	19 Chandrala	10			19 Goorazapollem	4
20 Yanchapaud	6	20 Gonapavarum	10			20 Codoor	8
21 Prasadapaud	4	21 Gowravaraiu	4			Total Rs. 141	
22 Ramavarapoopaud	8	Total Rs. 162					
23 Moottayalempaud	5						
24 Gungoor	6						
25 Imbapoorum	2						
26 Venkatramanagoodem	2						
27 Contanapaud	3						
Total Rs. 204							

	Rs. A. P.
Bezwadah Perganah	204 — 0 — 0
Valavadum Moottah	162 — 0 — 0
Condapully Perganah	102 — 0 — 0
Mylavarum Perganah	141 — 0 — 0
Total	609 — 0 — 0

The amount of authorised Jafreek being 1269 Rupees for the two years

1st Witness

19 4th Witness, a police peon, was employed by Doshagherry Row, a relation of the Sheristadar who superintended the building to look after the work and to bring money from the Woyoor Tahsildar named Ramakarangy. This witness died before the enquiry.

Ramakarangy dismissed. Vide Para 15

20 The 2d Witness, G. Ramachendroodoo, who stated before Mr. Bird that he had been employed by the late Sheristadar to build the choultries, that the Estimate amounted to Rupees 327, that of Rupees 100 expended on Cooly hire, he was paid rupees 54 thro' the Tahsildar, G. Ramakarangy and that Rupees 40 are still due to him could not be found.

3d Point 21 With regard to the 3d Point the appropriation of the salaries of the local public servants no evidence exists except the draft of a public arzee from 4th Witness to the Collector dated 3d June 1848 which is a complaint to the effect that his witness's salary had been detained for a period of two months.

4th Point is disposed of in Paras

5th Point 22 One witness alone speaks to the 5th Point and this is C. Bumpiah who deposed to the Sheristadar having purchased the ground of P. Bhagawiah and D. China Gungiah and he

he states that he himself supplied brass utensils valued at 30 Rupees and wooden materials worth 2 Rupees, for the use of the Choultry, but the witness is unable to produce any oral evidence in support of his statements tho' he filed certain accounts on the subject which are merely written by himself and bear no acknowledgment on part of the Sheristadar.

6 Point is shewn in Para 18 & 17.

7th Point in para 15

8th Point 23 Two witnesses speak to the 8th Point 1st N. Nagiswarandoo, the 4th witness, late Moturpha Goomastah of Bezoarah and 5th witness, the former deposed to Ramanooja Row having caused 15,000 bricks which remained over and above after building the Moonsiffs new Cutcherry at Bezoarah in 1847 to be sold privately for Rupees 15 instead of bringing them to sale by public auction the Cutcherry accounts being falsified to support the fraud. The latter corroborates the statement of the former with regard to the sale of the bricks and a draft of an arzee from the Tahsildar to the Collector dated 29th April 1848 No. 334 further corroborates the statement as to the sale of the bricks for Rupees 15, the name of the purchaser being left blank. The fair copy

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of this document was sent for and examined, from it appeared that one P. Appiah of Bezoarah purchased the bricks - He therefore was sent for and examined on solemn affirmation, but he denied that he was the purchaser as well as all Knowledge of the transaction and he is not in a condition of life to warrant the belief that he was the purchaser - There is also a draft of an Arzee dated 3d June 1848 from 4th witness to the Collector having reference to the fraudulent manner in which the sale of the bricks had been effected and complaining also of the detention of two Months salary vide para 21 This Arzee refers to 2 others of January 1847 and May 1848 - Lastly

Pointg as to Ramanooja Row having obtained stones which were used in the construction of the Choultry free of cost the price of the same being unpaid to this day With regard to this point the evidence, in my opinion, is more satisfactory as it is that of Mooslumen of wealth and position, residents of Bezoarah who, there is every reason to believe, would give impartial evidence, as the sheristadars suspension from a restoration to Office would in no way affect them, and they have merely given their testimony in Order

order to secure themselves against loss -

24 13th witness Ameer Beig deposed that Ramanooja Row constructed one choultry 10 years ago under the superintendence of the late Sahsildar Gooroomoorthah, that the Sheristadar sent 4 or 5 Peons and without his (Deponent) will or consent carried off 200 bricks valued at Rupees 50 which he used towards the construction of the choultry promising to repay the value therefore which never theless he has not yet done - that two witnesses Mahomed Ally, and Guffoor Beig will bear out his statement in every respect - These two were examined as witnesses and corroborated the statements of 13th witness

25 14th witness deposed to being told by his father (13th witness since deceased) that the Sheristadar constructed the choultry and caused the wall, bordering his Enam land, to be broken down and bricks valued at Rupees 20 to be carried off - that he appropriated these to his own use and never repaid their value.

26. The testimony of these two witnesses (13th and 14th) therefore gives additional value to the statements of

6th and 12th witnesses as to the Sheristadar having fraudulently obtained materials to aid in the construction of his choultries.

27. The evidence adduced in support of many of the Points recorded places the illegal practices of the Sheristadar as to the construction of the choultries so far beyond doubt that a comment upon it appears unnecessary. The whole evidence that has been procurable, with regard to each point, speaks for itself - that illegal collections were raised on the villages of the Bozoorah Talook - that this was done publicly and in the light of day, the Tahsildar ordering the extra collections openly under his official seal and signature - the papers relating to them being kept as part of the public records of the Cutcherry that when deduction was anticipated greater part of the said papers were made away with, that bricks valued at Rupees 36. which remained over and above after the construction of the Moonsiffs Cutcherry, were sold to the Sheristadar for Rupees 15 and that he procured bricks valued at Rupees 50 from the Ameen Beig of Bazoorah which remain unpaid for to this day; are facts proved by ample evidence

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28. The object of this enquiry called for in Extract from the Minutes of Consultation - No 1435 dated 6th November 1854, was to establish, if possible by evidence, the fact that the buildings were erected by the late Head Sheristadar by the means of such illegal practices, which, the one of general notoriety, nevertheless required legal proof, for on the removal of the buildings to make way for the main channel on the left bank of the Kistna, the Sheristadar addressed two petitions dated 13th and 21st January 1853 wherein he stated that the buildings had been erected by himself and his relatives at a cost of Rupees 1400 and he requested that another building should be erected by Government from the materials, or that if Government would not consent to this, he himself, with his own people, would erect another on another piece of ground if the requisite funds were granted him by Government for the purpose The Commissioner further expressed his opinion, that should the evidence adduced upon a full enquiry into the whole circumstances of the case, be of a nature to warrant such

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a stop that any demand for indemnification which might be brought forward, should be dismissed and the party advancing the claim should be left to seek redress in Court of Law.

29. I have already expressed my opinion as to the nature of the evidence, although the testimony of so few witnesses could be procured, and many denied all knowledge of the facts they were called on to depose to, yet the production of the Mustucks and the two Kafreek Sabettahs can leave no doubt as to the buildings having been erected by means of illegal practises, will may Mr. Lashington speak of the unscrupulous and shameful manner in which Ramanoja Row endeavoured to build up a fame for charity & benevolence through the Commission of grievous wrong

30. So far from his [Ramanoja Row] having reason to feel the rejection of any possible claim for indemnification to be a matter of grievance - he has good reasons for congratulation that his dismissal from Government employ for acts of even a more unscrupulous & shameful a nature, has placed him within the pale of Regulation IX of 1822 to the Severest penalties of which he had subjected himself.

[Signed] H. C. Chase
Acting Sub. Collector

[1] Letter to Commissioner N. C. Dated 2nd October 1854

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SB No. 2520

Proceedings thereon Submitting with the Board's remarks a letter from the Acting Collector of Masulipatam reporting the result of the enquiry as to the means by which the Choultry at Bezoarah was erected by the founder Ramanoja Row and stating the Board's opinion that a sum equivalent for the demolished building and the site on which it stood should be paid as compensation to the proprietor

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In his letter dated 10th October the Commissioner for the Northern Circars submitted to Government a letter from the Collector of Masulipatam detailing the steps which had been taken in regard to the demolition of a choultry at Bezoarah and reporting on a claim to compensation preferred by its founder Ramanoja Rao then Head Shenistadar of the district.

2 The choultry in question was removed to make way for the bed of the main channel on the left bank of the Kistna at the Bezoarah Annicut - As however there appeared to him to be little doubt that the funds required for its erection were the proceeds of illegal exactions levied from the Ryots by the exercise of public authority the Commissioner recommended that an enquiry should be instituted and that should the circumstances elicited by the evidence justify such a course the Head Assistant or other Officer trying the case should be instructed to decline compliance with any demand for indemnification and to refer

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refer Ramanooja Rao to the Civil Court if disposed to prosecute his claim further.

3 The Government approved of this course and the result of the investigation entered upon is given in extenso in the report of the Acting Sub Collector which accompanied the letter placed at the head of these Proceedings. This report is dated 22d May 1837.—

4 It was clearly proved that Ramanoojah Rao made use of his official position in the most unscrupulous and shameful manner that large sums of money were levied from the Ryots through the instrumentality of the Local Officers and appropriated by him in furtherance of his own schemes and that the materials for his Choultries were obtained by dishonesty and fraud.—

5 However this may be, there is ground for doubt whether the Provisions of Regulation IX of 1822 would in a Court of Law be held applicable to the case and adverting to the length of time which has elapsed since these circumstances occurred

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occurred the Board think it very undesirable that a formal enquiry should now be entered upon under Regulation IX of 1822 but resolve to recommend that in this respect the matter should be allowed to drop.

6 The past records in connection with the charges of malversation preferred against Ramanooja Rao will be fresh in the memory of Government and it may here be observed that the Choultry in question was one of those attached in satisfaction of the Judgments given in those cases

7 Thus far the orders of Government have been carried out and it only remains to pronounce finally upon the claim to compensation.—

8 Upon this point the Board are inclined to adopt a different view from that espoused by the Commissioner and they think that on reconsideration the Government will admit the claim.—

9 The Choultry, no doubt, was built with money improperly escaeted but the persons who contributed put forward no

Encl 3 in letter from Collr of Masulipatam dated 2d Octr 1834 In Dy St C 12th October 54

no claims and however flagrant the means employed by Ramanooja Rao for raising money it can hardly be maintained that his dishonesty gives the Government a title to what it never possessed or a right to come forward as an interested party and decide upon its own Case.

10 The investigation was held not under Regulation IX of 1822 Cut upon the Magisterial Side and the Board can see no way out of the difficulty but by acceding to the demand and paying to Ramanooja Rao a sum equivalent for the Choultry and the site on which it stood. This Course they would recommend in preference to that suggested by Mr. Knox who proposed that the value of the land should be paid him in money and that Government should build him another choultry in place of that removed in 1834.

11. Should the Government take the view of the case the Board will instruct the Collector

Collector to ascertain as nearly as may be after so long an interval the value of the property and to pay the amount to Ramanooja Rao.

12. With reference to the concluding part of para 11 of Extract Minutes Consultation dated 17th March 1837 No 264 RD the Acting Collector and Sub Collector afford explanation the former in para 2 the latter in paras 2 & 3 of their letters under review.

13 The enquiry was conducted by Mr Fraser and his successor Mr Blair the case having been referred to the former in February 1835.

14 The delay which occurred in their Proceedings is stated to have been occasioned by the difficulty in procuring the attendance of the witness who gave evidence before Mr Bird some having died and others from various causes not being forthcoming.

15 It appears from the Collector's

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Collectors letter that Mr Chase who joined the District as Acting Sub Collector in November 1836 - Completed his report in the following Month and as he had to take charge of the District very shortly afterwards the matter escaped notice and further delay was the Consequence.

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No. 267.

To,

The President and Members of the Board of Revenue.

Gentlemen,

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B. No. 2276
From the Accountant General

It is desirable that a proper portion of the Salaries of Collectors, their Assistants, and other Officers who are actually performing Magisterial in addition to Revenual duties, should be debited as a Charge of the Magisterial department.

2. The practice hitherto was to debit monthly one third of the Salaries of the Head Assistant Collectors and Magistrates to the Magisterial

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department, and the remaining two thirds to the Revenue department. As it appeared to me doubtful whether this portion of the Salary of a Single Officer in each District was a fair proportion. I issued instructions to the Collectors to discontinue that mode of Adjustment from the beginning of the last Official year, and to debit the whole Amount to the Revenue Department pending further instructions. -

+ May 1856

3. I have the honor to request that you will have the goodness to favor me with your opinion as to what you consider to be the fair proportion debitable as a Magisterial charge out of the Salaries &c. of the Collectors, their Head and other Assistants and Heads of Police, with reference to the extent of duties performed by them in the Magisterial department. -

+ Establishments &c.

4. I have called upon the Collectors for their opinion in the matter, and I shall be glad in the meanwhile to have the advantage of your opinion on the point. -

Fort St. George,
Account. Genl. Office,
12th June 1857

Signed / G. L. Prendergast,
Accountant General.

ordered that the following letter be sent in reply. - To

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To

The Accountant General.

Sir,

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B. No. 2513

To the Accountant General

In reply to your letter dated 12th June, I am directed to request that you will favor the Board of Revenue with perusal of the replies of the Collectors to your reference regarding the proportion of the Establishment charges debitable to the Magisterial Department. The Board will then be in a better position to form an opinion on the subject.

In reference 27th July 1857.

2. They desire me however to point out that any proportion which may be fixed must to a great extent be arbitrary. for besides the difficulty of determining the Extra of Magisterial to revenue work, the amount of work in the different Departments varies from year to year, and it would seem from para 3 of your letter under reply, that the Magistrate Department is not debited with any portion of the Salaries of officers under the grade of Head of Police.

3. Unless the proportion hitherto taken is considered by the Majority of the Collectors to be either decidedly too great or too small the Board would deprecate any change, as such an alteration would render comparisons of the expenditure in past and future years difficult. The Board apprehend that this will be the result of the orders you have already issued whereby the Revenue Department is saddled with the entire expenses, notwithstanding the admitted fact that some portion is fairly chargeable against the Magistrate Department.

Revenue Board's Office
Fort St. George 27th July 1857.

(Signed) J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary

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To

J. D. Sim Esqr.

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

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B. No. 2415

From the Collr of North Arcot

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated the 11th Instant No. 1904. forwarding Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 3d June 1857 No. 545 conveying the orders of Government on the subject of the revision of the Assessment in this District

2. These were forwarded to Mr. Banbury for his information and guidance the same day they were received.

3 In para 6 of the abovementioned Extract Minutes of Consultation it is stated that the measure of correcting the classification in the Northern Villages with a view of equalizing the rates between "Village and Village" was "strongly recommended" by me. I am not aware how this impression was derived for I did not even know that such a measure was in contemplation. When my

Head

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Head Sheristadar left me my revised schme for the Northern Talooks had not been disposed of and I naturally entertained the hope that I had succeeded in meeting the wishes of Government. I should not therefore have proposed any measure calculated to reopen the whole question without an urgent necessity and now such represented itself to me.

4 Every endeavour will be made to carry out the orders of Government now received as expeditiously and carefully as possible, but I have thought it proper, immediately on the receipt of the intimation that Government believed the new measure for the Northern Talooks to have been recommended by me to state not only my ignorance of its having been in contemplation but that had I been aware of it, I should have considered it my duty to have respectfully but strongly remonstrated against it as unnecessary as calculated to create delay and as also in my opinion not likely to be attended with the advantages expected from it.

North Arcot Collrs Ct. Cutcherry.
Chendragherry 17th. June 1857. } /Signed/ C. Whittingham
Collector

12012 Fort St. George 27th. July 1857

No. 165

To

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

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B. No. 2700
From the Collector of
North Arcot

Sir

I have the honor with reference to Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 26th. June 1857 No. 2200, to state that on its receipt, I wrote a demi Official Note to Mr. Banbury requesting him and the Head Seristadar to meet me at this place, in order to ensure the more early submission of the information required in the 6th. para of the Board's Proceedings.

2 Mr Banbury who is now at Arcot at first signified his assent but on further consideration, he writes that he is of opinion that the proposed meeting is unnecessary as the intimation of the Board that it was not their intention that Punchayets should sit on the classification of all the Villages of the Northern Talooks (the mean rate of which was to be reduced) indiscriminately, but only where the revising Officer might from the complaints made to him, or for other reasons think it desirable to

to revise the classification of a Village, has in Mr. Banbury's opinion afforded him sufficient latitude to enable him to bring the revision of the Northern Talooks to a satisfactory and speedy conclusion.

North Arcot
Collector's Cutcherry
Chittoor 4th July 1857

/ Signed / C. Whittingham
Collector

B. No. 2524

Proceedings thereon.

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Since the letters now recorded was written Mr. Whittingham will have received the Board's Proceedings of the 26th June last from the last Para of which he will see that it was never the intention of the Board that Punchayets should be called in to adjust the classification of every Village, but only where the revising Officer might think a revision desirable and wish to avail himself of their assistance. When such is the case the members of the Punchayet would naturally be inhabitants of a different Village from that to be examined, as the need of a revision would arise from the rates of the Village being higher than those of others Villages possessing apparently the same advantages, and the decision of such a question would require disinterested arbitrators.

2. Taken in this permission and not obligatory

obligatory sense Mr. Banbury will probably find the sanction of Government of considerable service in the revision of the assessment of the Northern Talooks where from what was said by the Head Sheristadar the Board are led to suppose that many inequalities of importance will be found to exist.

3. Since the above was written the Board have received Mr. Whittingham's letter of the 4th July, informing them that the latitude allowed to Mr. Banbury by the Board's Proceedings referred to above would in that Gentleman's opinion enable him to bring the revision of the Northern Talooks to a satisfactory and speedy conclusion. This intimation is satisfactory and renders further remarks unnecessary

Jud Cons. 27th July 1857

No. 125

To

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

(888)

B. No. 2523
From the Jt. Coll.
of Madura

Sir

I have the honor to inform the Court that in anticipation of their sanction I have ordered the appointment of the following temporary Establishment for

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for surveying the lands in the 17 Villages transferred from rental to Amanee System under the Sanction of the Court of Wards dated the 17th October 1850 in the Zemindary of Shivagungah.

10 Goomastahs at 10 Rupees each	100	—
10 Peons at 3½ Rupees each	35	—
20 Measurers at 2 Rupees each	40	—
Sanderward	10	—
Total	185	—
For 2 Months	370	—

Madura
24th June 1857
Bd. No. 2525

I Signed I R. J. Sullivan
Actg. Collector

Proceedings thereon. The Establishment proposed in the foregoing letter, consisting of a number of Goomastahs on equal salary is not in the Board's opinion, likely to secure a uniform and correct mode of survey — There should be one responsible Superintendent of the whole with subordinate Surveyors.

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2. Mr. Sullivan will be pleased to revise his recommendation with reference to these observations and in resubmitting the matter, inform them in what manner the process of survey is to be conducted — so as to ensure

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that the fields are accurately measured and that none are left out — also if any kind of Map or sketch is to accompany

No. 172.

To

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

(890)

Bd. No. 2752
From the Collr. of North Arcot

Sir

Para 1. I have the honor with reference to para 2 Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 12th July 1856 — No. 2164, to state that as the Dittum is no longer in force in this District the consideration of the subject noticed in para 2 of the Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 11th March 1856 No. 285 may in my opinion, be deferred till the revised rates of assessment are about to be introduced

2. The points requiring attention seem to be the form of signifying the relinquishment of land and the date within which it must be made to escape liability for the assessment of the land. The application for transfers might be as at present forwarded to the Collector's office for acceptance, but the laxity of the present system, which allows transfers to be

made

12019

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5 per Cent Loan of 1850/51
No. 1021 to 1030 for Conjeeveram Rs. 5,000 each

Promissory Notes described in the margin, received with your letter of the 15th Instant and to inform you that they cannot be registered in this Office until the Interest thereon, which has been already transferred payable from the Treasury of the Collector of Rajahmundry, shall have been re-transferred by him payable at this Presidency.

I request you will be pleased to acknowledge their receipt.

Fort St. George
Sectt. Genl. Office
22nd July 1857.

I Signed J. Brooks
Dy. 1st Assistant Accountant General

Order thereon. Ordered that copy of the above letter with the 10 Promissary Notes therein adverted to be forwarded to the Collector of Rajahmundry with a request that he will make the interest on these investments payable at Madras.

896-897

Dy. No. 2521

Received the undermentioned miscellaneous letters and Statements.

898
My. No. 1614 From the Dy Coll. of Malabar. Comparative Statement shewing the Collection on account of current and

899
My. No. 1615 arrears for fusly 1266.

900
My. No. 1618. From the Dy Coll. of Malabar. Comparative Statement shewing the Demand for Fusslies 1265 and 1266.

From the Coll. of South Arcot. Return of fines imposed and stoppages made from the pay of the Public servants for Quarter ending 30th June 1857.

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901
My. No. 1619 From the Collector of Tanjore. Return of fines imposed and Stoppages made from the pay of the Public servants for Quarter ending 30th June 1857.

902
My. No. 1605.

From the Collectors of Tinnevelly. Return of fines imposed and

903
My. No. 1605 Stoppages made from the pay of the Public Servants for Quarter ending 30th June 1857.

From the Collector of Tinnevelly. Return of Public servants

904
My. No. 1601 suspended or dismissed from employment for the Quarter ending 30th June 1857.

From the Collector of Tinnevelly. List of letters addressed

905
My. No. 1600 to the Board and remaining unanswered to 30th June 1857.

From the Collector of Tinnevelly. List of letters received

906
My. No. 1607 from the Board and remaining unanswered to 30th June 1857.

From the Collector of North Arcot. Return of Village

907
My. No. 1608. Officers suspended or dismissed under Regulation VII of 1831 for June 1857.

From the Collector of Salem. Return of Village Officers suspended

908
My. No. 1620 or dismissed under Regulation VII of 1831 for June 1857.

From the Collector of Tanjore. Return of Village Officers sus-

909
My. No. 1609 pended or dismissed under Regulation VII of 1831 for June 1857.

From the Coll. of Salem. Return of Persons charged with Offences under Regulation IX of 1822 for June 1857.

From

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910
My. No. 1610

From the Collector of Salem — Register of Petitions for —
911 — June 1857
My. No. 1611

From the Coll.r of Chingleput — Regarding a Petition forwarded
912 — to this Office by mistake.
My. No. 1612

From the Coll.r of Chingleput — Account Current of Salt
913 — for June 1857
My. No. 1610

From the Ag. Coll.r of Malabar — Account Current of Salt
914 — for June 1857 —
My. No. 1617

From the Coll.r of Rajahmundry — Statement shewing the
Quantity of Salt in Store available for exportation —
915 — to Calcutta on 16th July 1857 —
My. No. 1613

From the Ag Coll.r of Nellore — Stating that there were no
916 — exports or imports of Bullion and Specie for
My. No. 1603 — June 1857

From the Ag. Coll.r of Canara — Return of Import of
Bullion and Specie by sea in blank for last
917 — Month —
My. No. 1604

From the Ag. Coll.r of Canara — Return of Gold and —
Silver Bullion & Co.a exported by sea in —
918 — June 1857
My. No. 1602

From the Collector of Chingleput — Asking for blank
forms of Salt accounts —